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The Association of Commercial Television in Europe (ACT) is a trade body for the commercial broadcasting sector in Europe. Formed in 1989, the ACT has 27 member companies active in 37 European countries, operating and distributing several thousand free-to-air and pay-tv channels and new media services.

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CANAL+ Group signs the new media chronology



CANAL + Group has signed the new media chronology and thanks the Ministry of Culture and the Centre National du Cinéma for contributing to the conclusion of this agreement. The latter, which follows the one signed on 8 November 2018 with French cinema, allows CANAL + to reinforce its film proposal with the possibility of showing films between six and eight months after their theatrical release.

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ITV launches new consumer magazine



ITV launches a new magazine that previews the very best of 2019 and features exclusive interviews with some of TV's biggest stars. The magazine also features exclusive behind the scenes features on The Voice, ITV's Racing and Six Nations coverage. The launch of The ITV Magazine is part of ITV's 'More Than TV strategy' which CEO Carolyn McCall set out earlier in 2018, a key part of which is to develop strong consumer relationships.

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NENT Group secures exclusive women's tennis rights



Nordic Entertainment Group (NENT Group) has acquired the exclusive Swedish, Norwegian and Finnish media rights to 50 tennis tournaments from the Women's Tennis Association. Tennis fans can

now follow players such as Denmark's Caroline Wozniacki and Sweden's Rebecca Peterson live on NENT Group's streaming service Viaplay, with selected matches also broadcast on NENT Group's TV channels.

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RTL Group: Top of the charts



UFA Fiction, *Der Junge muss an die frische Luft* (The Boy Needs Some Fresh Air), had the best box-office opening ratings of all German productions in 2018. Over 802,722 people have watched it since it premiered on 25 December 2018. The new film from Academy Award winning director Caroline Link is based on the bestselling novel by German entertainer Hape Kerkeling.

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Sky Sports launches a new home for American sports – Sky Sports USA



Sky Sports launches a new home for American sports, *Sky Sports USA*. The channel, on air from 3 January to 5 February, will be home to some of the biggest superstars in sport. In a huge month for sport stateside, Sky Sports USA will show 40 live games from across the NFL and NBA.

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UPCOMING EU POLICY EVENTS IN JANUARY 2019

- 14-17/01/19 EP Plenary Session, Strasbourg
- 21-22/01/19 EP IMCO Committee meeting, Brussels
- 21-22/01/19 EP CULT Committee meeting, Brussels
- 23-24/01/19 EP JURI Committee meeting, Brussels
- 30-31/01/19 EP Mini Plenary Session, Brussels



























































