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“Regional conference for media regulatory bodies: European standards and best practices on hate speech and protection of minors”

7-8 July 2016, Hotel Palas, Petrovac, Montenegro

7 July 2016

10.00 – 10.15

Opening session

Lejla Dervišagić, Head of Internet and Media Cooperation Unit, Media Division, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe, Strasbourg

Momčilo Stojanović, Assistant Director, Agency for Electronic Media of Montenegro

10.15 – 11.30

Regional experience with hate speech

It is envisaged that delegations from project countries present the cases of hate speech they had in recent years, with particular emphasis on the origin and types of hate speech, as well as any enforcement measures taken, with video presentation of cases where possible

- **Monika Stafa**, Head of the Council of Complaints, AMA, Albania
- **Asja Rokša Zubčević**, Head of the Division for Audiovisual Services and International Cooperation in Broadcasting, Communications Regulatory Agency, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- **Milan Todorović**, Lawyer, Regulatory body for Electronic Media, Serbia
- **Emilija Janevska**, Head of Program Department, AAVMS, Skopje

Adnan Merovici, Chairperson, Independent Media Commission, Kosovo*

- Momčilo Stojanović, Assistant Director, Agency for Electronic Media of Montenegro

Moderator: Maja Stojanović, Project Officer, Council of Europe

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| 11.30 – 12.00 | Coffee break |
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| 12.00 – 13.00 | Continuation of Session: Regional experience with hate speech |
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Discussion

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| 13.00 – 14.30 | Lunch |
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| 14.30 – 15.30 | The role of the regulators in combating hate speech and measures to enhance regulatory cooperation - European standards and best practices |
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Stanislav Bender, Head of Monitoring Department, Agency for Electronic Media, Croatia

Discussion

This session is envisaged to include the presentations from the experts from Croatia, with the emphasis on the role and the extent to which regulatory authorities can go in combating hate speech, and in particular to provide for a dialog on enhancement of cooperation of regulators and mechanisms provided for in the AVMS Directive taking into consideration the fact that most of programmes from the region are viewed throughout

Moderator: Lejla Dervišagić, Council of Europe

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| 15.30 – 17.00 | Raising awareness on hate speech – suggestions and examples of the best practice |
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Speakers/Moderators:

- Helena Mandić, Director of Broadcasting, Communications Regulatory Agency, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Adnan Merovici, Chairperson, Independent Media Commission, Kosovo*

Discussion

This session is envisaged to focus on possible activities in order to raise awareness on the issue, including the cooperation with other relevant stakeholders, particularly in relation to prosecutorial bodies.

*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

09.00 – 10.30

The role of the regulators in ensuring protection of minors and measures to enhance regulatory cooperation - European standards and best practices

Speakers/Moderators:

- Tanja Kerševan-Smokvina, Agency for Communication Networks and Services Slovenia
- Robert Tomljenović, Member of the Council, Agency for Electronic Media, Croatia
- Valbona Boletini, Head of Publications and Cooperation sector, AMA, Albania

Discussion

Participants of the meeting will exchanged experiences related to the regulations in this area, with special focus on scheduling and rating reality programmes that are becoming increasingly present in the TV broadcasters' offer in these countries. This session is envisaged as a follow up to the regional events on the improvement of protection of minors in reality shows in the region, organised in July 2015 in Budva and in Croatia in December 2015.

10.30 – 11.00

Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30

Raising awareness on protection of minors and further actions for improvement of regional cooperation

Speakers/Moderators:

- Jelena Kolo, Public and International relations Officer, Regulatory body for Electronic Media, Serbia
- Dragica Ljubevska, Sector for European and International Cooperation and Public Relations, AAVMS, Skopje

Discussion

This session is envisaged to focus on additional activities that could be undertaken in order to raise awareness on the issue, including the strengthening cooperation between regulatory authorities in the SEE region and with other relevant stakeholders in respective countries.

12.30 – 12.45

Conclusions

Moderator:

Momčilo Stojanović, Agency for Electronic Media of Montenegro

12.45– 14.00

Lunch / End of the Conference