**PUBLIC SERVICE MEDIA and democracy**

**Conference**

**hosted by the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic**

***Poslanecka Snemovna***

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| **PROGRAMME** |

***Thursday 10 November 2016***

**09:00-09:30 Welcome addresses**

Mr Jan Hamáček, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Czech Parliament

Mr Jean-Paul Philippot, President of the EBU

Ms Gülsün Bilgehan, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)

**Keynote addresses by video messages**

Mr Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament

Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe

**09:30-10:00** ***Coffee break***

**Panel 1**

**10:00-12:00 Role and responsibility of parliaments for freedom of expression and media freedom**

**Chair**: Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime, Council of Europe

**Panellists**:

Ms Dunja Mijatović, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Mr Stefan Schennach, Member of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education

and Media of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Dr Tarlach McGonagle, Institute for Information Law, Amsterdam, Council of Europe expert

**Moderator**: Mr Boris Bergant, EBU expert

**Rapporteur**: Dr Gvozden Flego, University of Zagreb

Discussion

**Panel 2**

**12:00-14:00 Modern public service media and its impact on society and democracy**

**Chair**: Mr Jean-Paul Philippot, President of the EBU

**Panellists**:

Mr Petr Dvorak, Director General of Czech TV

Mr Alexandr Pícha, Director New Media of Czech Radio

Ms Elfa Ýr Gylfadottir, Chairperson of the Council of Europe Steering Committee on Media and Information Society (CDMSI)

Dr Klaus Unterberger, Public service broadcaster of Austria ORF

**Moderator**: Mr Boris Bergant, EBU expert

**Rapporteur**: Dr Juan Barata Mir, Council of Europe expert

Discussion

**14:00-15:30 *Lunch break***

**Panel 3**

**15:30-17:30** **Public service media governance: ensuring institutional and editorial independence**

**Chair**: Ms Elfa Ýr Gylfadottir, Chairperson of the CDMSI

**Panellists**:

Mr Jean-François Furnémont, Council of Europe expert

Dr Michael Wagner, Head of Media and Communications Law, EBU

Ms Irina Radu, President of the public service broadcaster of Romania TVR

Mr Mogens Blicher Bjerregard, President of the European Federation of Journalists

**Moderator**: Mr Boris Bergant, EBU expert

**Rapporteur**: Mr Giacomo Mazzone, Head of Institutional Relations and Member Relations - South, EBU

Discussion

**17:30-17:45 *Coffee break***

***Friday 11 November 2016***

**Panel 4**

**09:00-11:00 Hate speech: responsibilities of parliaments, regulators and public service media and the case law of the European Court of Human Rights**

**Chair**: Ms Gülsün Bilgehan, Chairperson of the PACE Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society

**Panellists**:

Dr Mirjana Lazarova-Trajkovska, Judge, European Court of Human Rights

Dr Herdis Kjerulf Thorgeirsdottir, Vice-President of the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe

Ms Mirjana Rakić, Agency for Electronic Media of the Republic of Croatia

Ms Helena Mandić, Director of Broadcasting of the Communications Regulatory Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mr Boris Navasardian, President of the Yerevan Press Club

**Moderator**: Mr Boris Bergant, EBU expert

**Rapporteur**: Mr Jean-François Furnémont, Council of Europe expert

Discussion

**11:00-11:15 *Coffee break***

**Panel 5**

**11:15-13:00 Sustainability of public service media – the way ahead**

**Chair**: Ms Ingrid Deltenre, Director-General of the EBU

**Panellists**:

Dr Roberto Suarez Candel, ‎Head of the Media Intelligence Service, EBU

Mr Vaclav Mika, Director-General of the Slovak public service broadcaster RTVS

Ms Celene Craig, Chairperson of European Platform of Regulatory Authorities (EPRA)

**Moderator**: Mr Boris Bergant, EBU expert

**Rapporteur**: Ms Radka Betcheva, Joint Head of Member Relations and Senior Manager of Partnership Programme, EBU

Discussion

**13:00-14:30 *Lunch break***

**Panel 6**

**14:30-15:30 Conclusions and recommendations**

**Chairs**: Ms Ingrid Deltenre, Director-General of the EBU and Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime, Council of Europe

**Panellists**:

Dr Gvozden Flego, University of Zagreb, Council of Europe expert

Dr Juan Barata Mir, Council of Europe expert

Ms Radka Betcheva, Joint Head of Member Relations and Senior Manager of Partnership Programme, EBU

Mr Jean-François Furnémont, Council of Europe expert

Mr Giacomo Mazzone, Head of Institutional Relations and Member Relations -South, EBU

Discussion

**15:30-16:00 Closing speech**

Mr Jan Hamáček, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Czech Parliament

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