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Panel 1: Policy approaches

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The regulator's view





Linear v non-linear: *a distinction without a difference?*





Monitoring quota obligations: What about SVoD?



Financial obligations

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"Investment obligations are tailored to markets and policy traditions"



Investment obligations for streamers

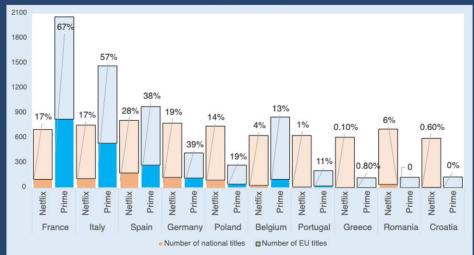
Obligation to invest in independent productions

Diversity clauses Top n

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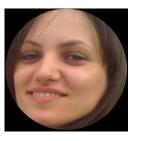
Top markets for investments

Share of domestic titles in national catalogues 2020-2023 (Nov 2023)





Source: Lumiere VOD



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"...policymakers try to redefine policy goals by putting emphasis on **economic objectives**, leaving cultural protectionist standpoints in the background."

"...investment obligations should **not be used as an excuse to significantly reduce public support**."



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...in the absence of measures coordinating different taxes and financial charges imposed in the audiovisual industry, there are significant **distortions to free competition** and the investment climate in the internal market."





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