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Charter for equal opportunities for women in broadcasting

Adopted on the occasion of the EBU/EC conference, London, 5 May 1995. The UN Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women recognises that "all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights". But while discrimination still exists, action must be taken to promote equal opportunities for women in all aspects of life.

In Europe, women are over 50% of the population. Yet in broadcasting, women make up only: 6% of management board members 11% of senior executives 7% of technical staff

We recognise:

- that women make an important contribution to the diversity of values, culture and experience, expressed in broadcasting output, and in the work environment.
- that the presence of a fairer proportion of women in senior posts in broadcasting, would enhance the utilisation of the full potential of all sectors of the European workforce.
- that promoting equal opportunities improves efficiency, competitiveness, and sound business management; through better use of human resources.

We declare that all women have the right to:

- 1. Fair and equal treatment at work, and in selection, recruitment and promotion procedures.
- 2. Equal opportunities at all levels and in all occupational areas, with equal access to training, retraining, and career development; as well as the right to participate in decision-making and editorial processes.
- 3. Equal pay and employment benefits, as appropriate to their contract, with pro-rata entitlements for part timers.
- 4. Freedom from harassment, abuse or intimidation at work.
- 5. Working conditions, and a workplace ethos, which enable everyone, without loss of career prospects, to reconcile and plan their work and personal lives.
- 6. A healthy, safe, and secure working environment.
- 7. Fair treatment in programme preparation and content, as programme-makers or contributors; with respect for the concerns of female listeners and viewers.

This organisation commits itself to recognising these rights in all aspects of its operation and planning, and will work towards making them available to all women working within the organisation.







SIGNATORIES

Broadcasting organisations and representatives who signed the Charter: EC/EBU Conference, London: May 51995

Algeria: ENRS Acting Director General -

Mr Hamza Tedjini Bailiche

Belgium: BRTN Director General – Mr Cas Goosens

Denmark: Danmarks Radio Director General -

Mr Christian Nissen (by video)

TV2 Chair of the Board – Ms Lone Kühlmann Euronews: Director of News – Mr Gérard Decq

Finland: YLE Director General – Mr Arne Wessberg

France: France 2 / France 3 Ms Marie-Claire Dallet-Humm, on behalf of Directors General M. Raphael Hadas-Lebel and

M. Xavier Gouyou-Beauchamps

Radio France Directrice du Personnel – Ms Nicole Dufay

Germany: ZDF Ms Dagmar Skopalik (with a message of sup-

port from the Intendant – Mr Dieter Stolte) **Greece:** ERT Chairman and Chief Executive –

Mr Eugenios Giannakopoulos

Ireland: RTE Director General - Mr Joe Barry

Italy: RAI Direttore Generale - Mr Raffaele Minicucci

Latvia: Latvian TV Deputy Director General -

Ms Daina Ostrovska

Malta: Radio Television Malta Manager Programmes TV --

Ms Sylvana Cristina

Head of Radio - Mr John Inguenez

Netherlands: NOS Chairman – Mr Andre van der Louw

Norway: NRKDirector General - Mr Einar Førde

Poland: Telewizja Polska Director of International Relations -

Mr Jerzy Romanski

Portugal: RDP Member of the Board of Administration –

Dr José Garcia Marques de Freitas

 ${\sf RTP\,Member\,ofthe\,Board\,ofAdministration} -$

Dr Matias Fernandes

Romania: Radio Romània Ms Doima Jalea

Radioteleviziunea Romana Ms Sabina Pop Tahtareahu

Slovakia: Slovak Radio Director General -

Mr Ján Tuzinský

 $Slovak\,TV\ Director\,General-Mr\,Jozef\,Darmo$

Spain: TVE Secretary General – Mr Jordi Bosch i Molinet

Sweden: Sveriges TV Director General - Mr Sam Nilsson

Turkey: TRT Director General – Dr. Tayfun Akgüner

UK: BBC Director General – Mr John Birt

ITN Chief Executive - Mr Stewart Purvis

Carlton/Central TV Chief Executive – Mr Andy Allan

Granada TV/LWT Chief Executive – Mr Charles Allen

Meridian/Anglia MAI Resource and Development Director-

Mr Mike Hughes

Ulster TV Managing Director - Mr Desmond Smyth

S4C Chief Executive - Mr Huw Jones

 ${\sf GMTV\,Managing\,Director-Mr\,Christopher\,Stoddart}$

Vatican City: Vatican Radio Direttore Generale -

M. Pasquale Borgomeo

Did not attend, but have endorsed the Charte

Belgium: RTBF Administrateur Général -

M. Jean-Louis Stalport

Bulgaria: Bâlgarsko Nationalo Radio Director General –

Mr Ivan Obretenov (by video)

Cyprus: Cyprus Broadcasting Corp. Director General -

Mr Georges Potamites

Finland: MTV Finland President – Mr Eero Pilkama

Germany: Südwestfunk – Intendant – Mr Peter Voss

Monte Carlo: Tele Monte Carlo Président – Mr Jean Pastorelli Radio Monte Carlo Directeur Général – Mr Jean-Noel Tassez

Sweden: SR - Sveriges Radio Director General -

Mr Ove Joanson

Switzerland: SSR Director General – Mr Antonio Riva

UK: Border TV Chief Executive - Mr James Graham

C4 Chief Executive – Mr Michael Grade

HTV Chief Executive – Mr Chris Rowlands

Scottish TV Managing Director – Mr Gus McDonald

Westcountry Television Chief Executive – Mr Stephen Redfarn Yorkshire Tyne Tees TV Group Director of Resources

- Mr Tony Brill