EMPOWERING SOCIETY
A DECLARATION ON THE CORE VALUES OF PUBLIC SERVICE MEDIA
MAKING PUBLIC SERVICE MEDIA INDISPENSABLE
We, the public service media (PSM) organizations united in the European Broadcasting Union, belong to the citizens we serve.

We accept the challenges of the digital revolution, which has changed and enriched our relationships with audiences at mass and individual level.

We are developing new ways to serve our public, anytime and anywhere, on new, emerging and existing platforms.

We are committed to including everyone, and to enhancing every community within our societies.

We exist to meet the democratic, cultural and social needs of Europe. By being free at the point of use, we are determined to reach every member of the public.

We want to play a defining role in guaranteeing freedom of expression and pluralism of views.

We believe in an open and transparent world of communication for the common good, beyond the profit motive.

We strive to perform to the highest standards, with moral integrity and maximum efficiency.

We realize that trust is at the centre of the relationship with our audiences, a trust that must be earned each and every day.

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THIS IS WHAT WE ARE
THIS IS WHAT WE PROMISE

UNIVERSALITY
We aim to reach and offer our content to all segments of society, with no-one excluded. Everyone, everywhere.
We strongly underline the importance of sharing and expressing a plurality of views and ideas.
We strive to create a public sphere, in which all citizens can form their own opinions and ideas. We are aiming for inclusion and social cohesion.
We are multi-platform, sharing our content in all kinds of ways.
We are accessible for everyone, without thresholds.
We enable our audiences, and each individual, to engage and participate in a democratic society.

INDEPENDENCE
We want to be trusted programme-makers, trustworthy in all fictional and non-fictional programming, in all genres and formats, from news to entertainment, from science to sport, from culture to education.
We make our choices only in the interest of our audiences.
We strive to be completely impartial and independent from political, commercial and other influences and ideologies. Free to challenge the powerful, test prevailing assumptions, and contribute to an informed citizenship.
We want to be autonomous in all aspects within our remit such as programming, editorial decision-making, staffing.
Our commitment to independence needs to be underpinned by safeguards in law, and our commitment to the safety of journalists needs to be underpinned in all our actions.

EXCELLENCE
We act with high standards of integrity and professionalism and quality; we strive to create benchmarks within the media industries.
We foster our talent and train our staff.
We want to empower, enable and enrich our audiences. We want our work to result in maximum participation and involvement.
We understand that our audiences are also participators in our activities, and even at times contributors of news and programming.
DIVERSITY
Our audiences consist of a diverse range of interest groups: differing generations, cultures, religions, majorities as well as minorities. So we strive to be diverse and pluralistic in the genres we are programming, the views we are expressing, and the people who work with us. We support and seek to give voice to a plurality of competing views – from those with different backgrounds, histories and stories. Conscious of the creative enrichment that can derive from co-existing diversities, we want to help build a more inclusive, less fragmented society.

ACCOUNTABILITY
We want to be open. We listen to our audiences and engage in a permanent and meaningful debate. We publish our editorial guidelines. We explain. We correct our mistakes. We strive to report on our policies, budgets, editorial choices. We are transparent and subject to constant public scrutiny. We want our audiences to understand the workings of our media organizations. We strive to be efficient and managed according to the principles of good governance.

INNOVATION
We want to enrich the media environment of the countries and regions we work in. We strive to be a driving force of innovation and creativity. We aim at new formats, new technologies, new ways of connectivity with our audiences. We want to attract, retain and train our staff so that they can participate in and shape the digital future, serving our public.
THIS IS WHAT WE WILL DO

To live out our core values requires constant efforts in organizations with very different backgrounds, histories and possibilities. But we want to live up to our commitments, knowing that our values can be realized only by appropriate actions and behaviour. Through our union’s fundamental principle of solidarity, we shall help each other to realize our common pledge. We shall monitor our progress permanently in a spirit of honest and open reflection.

THIS IS WHAT WE NEED

To fulfil our commitment to the public, we require robust legislation, adequate and sustainable funding. We require professional governance to safeguard editorial independence and to ensure that we can perform to the highest professional standards.
Albania - Radiotelevisione Shqiptar

Algeria - Entreprise Nationale de Télévision / Entreprise Nationale de Radiodiffusion Sonore / Télédiffusion d'Algérie

Andorra - Ràdio i Televisió d'Andorra, S.A.

Armenia - Public Television & Radio Armenia, comprising: - Public Television of Armenia - Public Radio of Armenia

Austria - Österreichischer Rundfunk

Azerbaijan - Ictimai

Belarus - Belaruskaja Tele-Radio Campanija

Belgium - Vlaams Radio- en Televisieomroep and Radio Télévision Belge de la Communauté française

Bosnia-Herzegovina - Javna Radio Televizijska servis Bosnia i Hercegovine

Bulgaria - Bălgarsko Nacionalno Radio - Bălgarska Nacionalna Televisija

Croatia - Hrvatska Radiotelevizija

Cyprus - Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation

Czech Republic - Český Rozhlas - Česká Televize

Denmark - DR - TV2/Danmark

Egypt - Egyptian Radio & Television Union

Estonia - Eesti Rahvusringhääling

Finland - MTV Oy - Yleisradio Ab

France - Groupe ment des Radiodiffuseurs français de l’UEIR, comprising the following organizations: - Télévision Française 1 - France Télévisions (France 2, France 3, France 4, France 5, and Réseau France Outre-mer) - Canal Plus - Radio France Internationale - Radio France

Georgia - Georgian TV & Radio Broadcasting

Germany - Arbeitsgemeinschaft der öffentlich-rechtlichen Rundfunkanstalten der Bundesrepublik Deutschland* (ARD), comprising the following organizations: - Bayerischer Rundfunk - Hessischer Rundfunk - Mitteldeutscher Rundfunk - Norddeutscher Rundfunk - Radio Bremen - Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg - Saarlandischer Rundfunk - Südwestrundfunk - Westdeutscher Rundfunk - Deutsche Welle - DeutschlandRadio - Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen

Greece - Elliniki Radiophonia-Télévision SA

Hungary - Magyar Rádió - Magyar Televízió

Iceland - Ríkisútvarpið

Ireland - Radio Telefís Éireann - TG4

Israel - Israel Broadcasting Authority

Italy - RAI-Radiotelevisione Italiana

Jordan - Jordan Radio & Television Corporation

Latvia - Latvijas Televīzija - Latvijas Radio

Lebanon - Télé-Liban

Libya - Libyan Jamahiriya Broadcasting

Lithuania - Lietuvos Radijas ir Televizija

Luxembourg - CLT Multi-Media - Établissement de Radiodiffusion Socioculturelle du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg

Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia - MKRTV

Malta - Public Broadcasting Services Ltd

Moldova - Teleradio-Moldova

Monaco - Groupe ment de Radiodiffusion monégasque, comprising: - Radio Monte-Carlo - Télé Monte-Carlo - Monte-Carlo Radiodiffusion

Morocco - Société Nationale de Radio Télévision

Montenegro - Radiotelevizija Crne Gore


Norway - Norsk Rikskringkasting - TV 2 AS

Poland - Polskie Radio i Telewizja: - Telewizja Polska SA - Polskie Radio SA

Portugal - Rádio e Televisão de Portugal

Romania - Societatea Română de Radiodifuziune - Societatea Română de Televiziune

Russian Federation - Channel One Russia - Radio Dom Ostankino, comprising: - Radio Mayak - Radio Orpheus - Radio Voice of Russia - Rossiyskoe Teleradio

San Marino - San Marino RTV

Serbia - Radiotelevizija Srbija

Slovakia - Rozhlas a televízia Slovenska

Slovenia - Radiotelevizija Slovenija

Spain - Radio Popular SA COPE - Radiotelevision Espanola - Sociedad Espanola de Radiodifusion

Sweden - Sveriges Television och Radio Grupp, comprising: - Sveriges Television AB - Sveriges Radio AB - Swedish Educational Broadcasting Company - TV 4

Switzerland - SRG SSR

Tunisia - Radio Tunisienne et Télévision Tunisienne - Télé tunisienne - Television tunisienne

Turkey - Türkiye Radyo-Televizyon Kurumu

Ukraine - Natsionalna Radiokompania Ukrainy and Natsionalna Telekompania Ukrainy


Vatican State - Radio Vaticana