



**Joint declaration of representatives of the Conseil supérieur de l'audiovisuel (CSA - France) Alta Autoridade para a Comunicação Social (AACS – Portugal) Ufficio del Garante per la Radiodiffusione e l'Editoria (Ufficio del Garante – Italy) Conseil National de la Radio-Télévision (CNRTV - Greece) Consell de l'Audiovisual de Catalunya (CAC – Catalonia, Spain )**

The meeting of the Media Regulatory Authorities of the Mediterranean countries should lead to the creation of a permanent network of information exchange of information.

Through this joint statement the representatives of the CSA, of the AACS, of the Ufficio del Garante, of the CNRTV and of the CAC confirm:

- the cordial relations that exist between them;
- their willingness to establish a regular exchange of information on the developments and the activities in the areas of common interest in terms of their respective powers;
- their desire to consult respectively on research projects, if they think that this cooperation may be extended to other partners.

#### **Proposed regulations for the organization and the operation of the Network of Media Regulatory Authorities of Mediterranean Countries**

1. The Network of Media Regulatory Authorities of the Mediterranean countries aims to establish a framework for discussion, regular exchange of information and research on issues relating to broadcasting regulation.
2. The Network is composed of the following Media Regulatory Authorities: the Conseil supérieur de l'audiovisuel (CSA - France), the Alta Autoridade para a Comunicação Social (AACS - Portugal), the Ufficio del Garante (Italy), the Conseil national de la Radio-Télévision (CNRTV - Greece) and the Consell de l'Audiovisual de Catalunya (CAC).
3. Other media regulatory authorities may later participate in Network meetings as members or observers.
4. The Network meets annually.
5. The meeting is organized in turn by one of the media regulatory authorities, which supports the Secretariat of the Network.

6. The permanent secretariat of the Network is assumed by the CSA.

7. The working language of the Network is French and in turn, that of the country hosting the meeting.

Read and approved by the representative of,

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In Barcelona, on 29 November 1997.