

Subgroup Terms of Reference for 2017 (DRAFT)

Name of Subgroup (SG)	Protection of Minors in Audiovisual Media Services
SG Chair, NRA	Ľuboš Kukliš – CBR Slovakia
Background	<p>The topic of protection of minors is indisputably one of the most important tasks for the media regulators and therefore occupies a very important place in the agenda of ERGA. On 15 December 2015 ERGA adopted a Report on the Protection of Minors in a Converged Environment in which it assessed the current state of protection of minors under the framework of AVMS Directive and has drawn key recommendations on the future system of protection of minors.</p> <p>Among the conclusions of the report was the assertion of the need for further research, exploration and collaboration with stakeholders in order to encourage the development of modern and consistent protection measures and technical controls to support parents in protecting minors. The work of the Subgroup will be firmly heading toward this direction. Through engagement with different types of stakeholders active in the audiovisual media industry it will be exploring the current state of the protection of minors in the audiovisual media services with the aim of identifying practices that may serve as an example for the efficient protection of minors in the future.</p>
Subgroup scope and purpose	<p>Through the work of the Subgroup on Protection of Minors ERGA will be using the expertise of its members to gather information on the protection measures media companies currently implement to protect minors throughout the whole converged media value chain and across all distribution platforms and devices used for reception of an audiovisual media service.</p> <p>The Subgroup will examine and report on existing practices for the protection of minors within the audiovisual industry and will explore the possibilities on how to help facilitate the exchange of ideas and the overall cooperation among stakeholders to better protect children.</p> <p>Subgroups tasks for 2017 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ to produce a report on existing practices for the protection of minors within the industry in order to help facilitate the exchange of ideas and the overall cooperation among stakeholders for a better and more future-proof protection of children. ▪ to further align with existing initiatives and actions on the EU level (such as ICT Coalition and CEO Alliance, Better Internet for Kids) ▪ to initiate or support the organization of an EU workshop on existing practices in children protection in audiovisual media services which could be inspirational for further developments and actions within the industry ▪ to produce good practices guide to communicate the findings and opinions of the experts gathered during the operation of the Subgroup.

Deliverables¹

1.

Deliverable type	Report
Deliverable title	Protection of Minors in the Audiovisual Media Services: Trends & Practices (ERGA Report)
Due date	Plenary meeting March 2017
Public consultation	No
Publication	Yes

2.

Deliverable type	Workshop
Deliverable title	EU workshop on existing practices in children protection in audiovisual media services
Due date	September 2017
Public consultation	No
Publication	No

3.

Deliverable type	Report
Deliverable title	Protection of Minors in the Audiovisual Media Services: Good Practices Guide (ERGA Report)
Due date	Plenary meeting winter 2017
Public consultation	To be determined
Publication	Yes

Allocated Resources

Active members (drafters)	OFCOM, UK; CBR, Slovakia CSA, France; DLM, Germany; NMHH, Hungary; CVDM, Netherlands; CNMC, Spain; AGCOM, Italy
Members	BAI, Ireland, CSA/VRM/Medianrat, Belgium; AEM, Croatia; RRTV, Czech Republic; Danish Radio and TV Board, Denmark; FICORA, Finland; NCRT, Greece; AKOS, Slovenia; Medietilsynet, Norway; ERC, Portugal; SPBA, Sweden; KRRiT, Poland; AVMU, FYROM

Work flow (internal and external milestones)

Date	Action / deliverable	Internal Subgroup only	External Board, CN, Plenary, Publication
Year 2017			
January 17	Draft Terms of Reference discussed during ERGA Board-meeting		Board

¹ [If more than one deliverables, create a separate table for each.]

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January 18	Meeting of the Subgroup	Chair/Active Members/ Members	
January 31	SG Members to comment on ToR	Chair/Active Members/ Members	
March 9	Adoption of ToR by plenary		Plenary
March 9	Report to Plenary (deliverable n.1)	Chair	
March/April	Publication on external webpage		Publication by secretariat
April	Meeting of the Subgroup	Chair/Active Members/ Members	
September	Workshop (deliverable n.2)	Chair/Active Members/ Members	
October/November	Report on outcomes	Chair/Active Members/ Members	
November	Report to Plenary (deliverable n.3)	Chair	Board
December	Publication on external webpage		Publication by secretariat