

FINAL NARRATIVE REPORT

Project title and name of partner	Strategic development & strengthening of legal and regulatory framework for independent media in Moldova Association of Electronic Press
Project period/duration of contract:	From 1 December 2021 until 31 December 2022
Budget and spendings – please state the budget, the actual spending and explain deviations exceeding +/- 10% per budget line.	Total budget – 40.900,00 EUR. Total received funds – 34.765,00 EUR. Total expenses – 34.768,64 EUR. We have no deviations exceeding +/-10% per budget line. However, due to the pandemic state, the state of emergency instituted in Moldova after the start of the Russian war in Ukraine, a series of activities did not require expenses. Under these conditions, many meetings were organized online and not in the conference room, as was planned. Thus, on budget line 1. Costs of seminars, 4183 euros were spent out of the total of 5600 budgeted (remaining 1417). On budget line 2. Expert fees, 24,400 euros were spent out of 27,000 budgeted (remaining 2,600). This time the explanation is that the remuneration of the experts was strictly based on the written expertise. Some experts expressed their opinions and made proposals on the working documents at the WG meetings but did not present us the texts with their proposals. On budget line 3. Operational costs, 6186 euros were spent out of 8300 budgeted. Due to the warm winter and the saving of resources, 614 euros were not spent on office maintenance expenses, the remaining amount of 1500 euros planned for the audit expenses were not spent and will be required after the audit.

1. QUALITATIVE RESULTS - MOST SIGNIFICANT RESULTS

Please write the most significant results achieved during the project period. This could be examples of actions taken (changes in structures, cooperation/relationships, practices and/or resource allocations) by communities, civil society or duty-bearers (authorities, international tech companies etc) to further democracy, accountability and human rights. It could also be if you as a partner has changed practice or established new cooperations etc. In this section it's important to focus on the results and not the activities – e.g. what happened after a training, how was a research used, how did authorities and communities react to an journalist investigation etc.

Outcome 1: Anti-disinformation amendments to the Media Services Code adopted

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

In June 2022, necessary amendments to the Media Services Code were adopted by the Parliament. Background: The Code is a law that entered into force in 2019 and transposed into the legislation of Moldova Directive 2010/13/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of March 10, 2010 (*Audiovisual Media Services Directive*). At the end of 2020, the Parliament, then controlled by the Socialist Party, replaced certain provisions with others, which contravened European standards.

The significance (5-8 sentences)

The changes from June 2022 were necessary, on one hand, to eliminate provisions inconsistent with the European Directive and, on the other hand, to supplement the law with new rules, aimed at protecting the audiovisual information space from disinformation, in the context of the Ukraine war.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

APEL, as part of the Working Group of Experts on the Improvement of Media Legislation, participated in the elaboration, debate and final drafting of the amendments.

Outcome 2: Anti-concentration amendments to the Media Services Code adopted

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

In November 2022, the Parliament adopted new amendments to the Media Services Code. Background: in August 2022, the National Commission for European Integration approved an Action Plan for the implementation of the measures proposed by the European Commission in its Opinion on the application for the accession of Moldova to the European Union. According to the Plan, the Audiovisual Council (CA), among other actions, was supposed to propose amendments to the Code to prevent the emergence of ownership concentration in the audiovisual sector and to ensure transparency in the financing of media service providers and distributors.

The significance (5-8 sentences)

For Moldova, these changes are appropriate because in the audiovisual space there have always been and still are politically affiliated oligarchic holdings, financed from obscure sources and which are harmful to the development of a real audiovisual pluralism.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

APEL elaborated and proposed part of the amendments, expertized the amendments proposed by AC and, within the Working Group, participated in the debate and final drafting of the amendments.

Outcome 3: New electoral code adopted with provisions for mass media

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

In December 2022, the Parliament adopted a new Electoral Code. The electoral code contains two articles, which refer to the general principles and particularities of election coverage in the mass media.

The significance (5-8 sentences)

The changes are important because they give freedom to the mass media to organize electoral debates, narrow the possibilities of politically affiliated television stations to carry out electoral agitation (party propaganda) and make AC responsible during election periods.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

APEL expertized the provisions of the two articles of the draft Code, proposed essential changes, participated in the public debate and their finalization.

Outcome 4: Proposals for amendments formulated to projects in progress

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

During 2022 APEL, as part of the Working Group, expertized two drafts of new normative acts: the draft Law on the Subsidy Fund in the field of mass media (1) and the draft Government Decision on the organization and operation of the Public Institution "Center for Strategic Communication" (2). APEL also promoted the project developed regarding the national media development program for the years 2022-2025 and the action plan for its implementation (3).

The significance (5-8 sentences)

All these three projects are very important for Moldova. Project (1) is important because independent media is facing serious economic problems and a national support system is needed. The importance of project (2) lies in the current challenges faced not only by Moldova, but by the entire region. Project (3) is vital because in the absence of a national program and action plan the media can develop chaotically, which must be avoided.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

APEL made proposals to improve the projects and participated in their finalization. At the end of the year, the projects were submitted to the specialized parliamentary committee. This commission announced in mid-January 2023 that it will work in the first phase on all three of these projects.

Outcome 5: Normative acts adopted by the Audiovisual Council

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

Within the IMS project, APEL expertized 12 normative acts of CA, formulated proposals for improvement and participated in public consultations. AC accepted most of the proposals, finalized the documents and adopted them in public meetings or is about to adopt them. We particularly note: *Classification of media service providers; Regulation on the organization and functioning of the Audiovisual Council; Regulation on the issuance of the broadcasting license; Regulation on the granting of retransmission authorization; The development strategy of the audiovisual field for the years 2023-2027; Regulation of audiovisual content; Regulation of audiovisual commercial communications; The methodology for monitoring hate speech in audiovisual media content.*

The significance (5-8 sentences)

These normative acts are essential for the daily activity of the Council in its new composition. Practically, they are intended to bring order to the audiovisual market and to establish a fair system for the operation of media service providers and distributors.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

APEL continues to make a significant contribution to all these new text developments. At the same time, we appreciate the very good cooperation of the APEL experts with the CA members.

Outcome 6: Normative acts adopted by the Supervision and Development Council of TRM

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

Within the IMS project, APEL expertized 3 normative acts of the Supervision and Development Council of the public company Teleradio-Moldova (TRM) and formulated proposals for their improvement. It is about three regulations: *The Regulation on the organization and operation of TRM*; *The Regulation on the organization and operation of the Representative Qualification Council of TRM* and *the Regulation on the organization and operation of the Managerial Committee of TRM*. APEL also proposed a guide for the development of a medium and long-term TRM development strategy.

The significance (5-8 sentences)

These normative acts are key documents and are very important for the daily activity of TRM and for strategic planning of TRM. The first regulation, for example, is practically the basic regulation for the activity of TRM because it concretizes the mission, attributions and powers of the national public provider, established in the Media Services Code. Likewise, the guidelines in the proposed guide for developing the TRM development strategy are important.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

APEL had a significant contribution in all these new text elaborations, some of which were accepted by the CSD. At the same time, we appreciate the cooperation of APEL with the CSD management and the TRM administration. We will mention that the CSD in its meeting on May 13, 2022 approved a decision on collaboration with APEL and other media NGOs.

Outcome 7: Monitoring report of the content offered to the public by the 6 most influential televisions

The outcome description (3-5 sentences)

In November, APEL experts carried out a thematic monitoring for one week, between November 7 and 13, 2022, of the contents offered by the top 6 TV stations, according to the ratings of the national TV audience measurement on the topic: the war in Ukraine. It is about RTR Moldova, Primul in Moldova, Prime, NTV Moldova, TV 6 and Jurnal TV.

The significance (5-8 sentences)

The monitoring was aimed at tracking the way that monitored televisions report on the war in Ukraine and determining the possible impact of disinformation. The study revealed interesting facts, namely that some television stations favored Russia in mediatizing topics about the war, and others chose to apply two handling techniques: omission and silence, completely ignoring the events in the neighboring country. We also set out to see if our results and those of CA coincide or differ. And practically they coincided.

The contribution (5-8 sentences)

The presentation of the monitoring report took place during a round table to which representatives of several television stations were invited, including 3 of 6 monitored televisions. It is worth noting that four of the six monitored television stations were left without broadcast licenses in December 2022 during the state of emergency in Moldova for tendentious media coverage of events related to Russia's war in Ukraine, according to a decision of the Chisinau authorities.

2. PROGRESS ON ACTIVITIES AND OUTPUTS

Please list your activities and outputs – as indicated in the project proposal, MoU or contract – in the table below.
If targets were set in the project proposals, please insert the targets and results below.
Please disaggregating by gender/sex, when relevant.
See examples in the annex at the end of the document

Indicator	Target	Result	Comments
Activity 1. To reconvene the Working Group <i>The nominal composition of WG;</i> <i>Number of WG meetings</i>	Reconvened WG ; 10 meetings of WG	The nominal updated composition of WG that includes experts from 6 NGOs: APEL, API, CJI, FH, Internews and IMS; 11 meetings of WG	WG was established by Order of the Chair of the Parliamentary Committee for media on 14 March 2022. Later experts from two more NGOs were included in WG: The Watchdog Community and IPRE. Six of the 11 meetings of the WG were organized online, and five - with the physical presence of experts
Activity 2 Provide draft amendments to the media legislation, attached to the Parliamentary Committee <i>Number of sets of amendments</i>	5 sets of amendments developed in WG on the following acts or draft documents: <i>1. Media Services Code;</i> <i>2. Electoral Code;</i> <i>3. National Media Program;</i> <i>4. Advertising Law</i> <i>5. Competition Law</i>	4 sets of amendments developed in WG on the following acts or draft documents: <i>1. Media Services Code;</i> <i>2. Electoral Code;</i> <i>3. National Media Program;</i> <i>4. Law on the media subsidy fund (3 times)</i>	The advertising law was approved by the Parliament in its initial version, without the need for amendments, and the competition law did not enter the legislative procedure
Activity 3 Provide proposals on the draft amendments to the media legislation, drawn up outside WG <i>Number of sets of amendments</i>	1 set of proposals on the draft amendments to the media legislation	2 sets of proposals on the draft amendments on the following draft documents: <i>1. Anti-disinformation amendments to the Media Services Code;</i> <i>2. Draft Government Decision on the creation of the strategic communication center</i>	Initially, there was a project to amend several laws (called anti-disinformation 1), but after discussions and debates, including within the GL, it was decided to amend only the audiovisual legislation. Later, the initiative (called anti-disinformation 2) to create a Stratcom Center appeared in the discussion.
Activity 4 Monitoring/expertise of the secondary legislation of the Audiovisual Council (AC) <i>Number of expertise's</i>	1 expertise presented publicly at a round table	12 expertises including: 2 expertises presented publicly at a round table and; 2 expertises discussed in internal meeting with CA members	During the round tables, two very important normative acts for the activity of the CA were debated: the Regulation on audiovisual contents and the Regulation on audiovisual commercial communications. Also, two expert normative acts were discussed by APEL experts during internal meetings with CA members: the Regulation on the broadcasting license and the Regulation on the retransmission authorization.
Activity 5 Monitoring/expertise of the secondary legislation of the Audiovisual Council (AC)	1 expertise presented publicly at a round table	3 expertises and one guide	APEL's expertise was presented and discussed publicly in a meeting of the CSD but was not debated at

<i>Number of expertise's</i>			a round table because the CSD considered it inappropriate
Activity 6 Monitoring of TV contents <i>Number of reports</i>	1 report monitoring the quality of the contents offered by the most influential televisions presented publicly	1 report monitoring the quality of the contents offered by the 6 most influential televisions presented publicly	Selection criteria: Top six televisions according to the ratings audience, according to the data of the national audience measurement

3. REFLECTIONS ON RESULTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROPOSED CHANGES AND DEVIATIONS (max 1 page)

Please reflect in brief on the results and achievements described in the boxes above (item 1 and 2). Is the project progressing as planned? Are there any challenges? How were the challenges addressed? Or any need to adjust the strategy or intervention?

The activities that were carried out within the project exceeded our expectations. During the implementation of the project, several challenges arose that required the adjustment of activities to the created situation.

The biggest challenge was the continuation of the Covid-19 pandemic and the beginning of the war in Ukraine. It is for this reason that part of the meetings of the Working Group had to be held online. Parliament had other priorities especially in the first half of the year and we had to comply with them.

Thus, the action plan and media development program were left behind and the need to work to combat propaganda and disinformation coming from the Kremlin appeared in the background.

In the meantime, the Republic of Moldova has become a candidate country for joining the EU. One of the priorities in this new context has become the deoligarchization of the mass media. Therefore, a priority for CA was the legal regime of property and ensuring the transparency of property in the audiovisual field.

These are the basic challenges to which the project had to adjust. The fact that the project has responded to these challenges is demonstrated by the changes that its implementation has brought.

4. GENDER (max ½ page)

Please describe any specific activities or results related to gender and inclusion. This can be media content specifically focusing on gender issues, safety of female journalists, gender audits conducted, gender sensitive editorial guidelines etc.

In this chapter, we can note that when we examined the regulation of audiovisual contents, we drew attention to the practice of gender-sensitive journalism. We can be proud that CA adopted this regulation in which our proposals are found.

In the APEL letter addressed to the parliamentary media committee on February 14, 2022 to establish the nominal composition of the working group, we proposed to include 8 experts from media organizations, of which 4 are women and 4 are men.

5. CONTEXT (max ½ page)

Please describe any major changes in the local/specific context that your media outlet/organisation is operating in, which affected your activities or possibility to operate. Have there been any restrictions of freedom of expression and restrictions in how the media can operate? Has the situation changed since the start of the project or since last reporting?

In implementing the project, APEL had to comply with some changes in the regional and local context. It is mainly about the severe consequences of the war in Ukraine for Moldova, which also led to complications with the energy crisis.

The changes conditioned the legislative activity and APEL to adjust its activities provided by the project according to the Parliament's priorities in order to be able to continue its activity in this new context.

Anyway, the changes that took place could not restrict the activity of APEL in the implementation of the project, they only caused certain adjustments according to the priorities that appeared in the activity of the Parliament and in that of the regulatory authority of the field. We have faced the challenges so that the project achieves its overall goals.

6. LEARNING (max ½ page)

Please describe examples of which intervention strategies/activities/partnerships that were especially successful in contributing to results and why? Looking ahead, how will you use this to increase the chances of achieving results? Are there any best practices or possibilities for scaling up?

Did the project face any challenge, where things didn't work out that well? How was this addressed? What were the learning related to this

The most important lesson learned was the operative orientation to the changes that took place and the adjustment of the activities in the project in a way that would ultimately lead to the achievement of the proposed general goal.

For example, the priority of countering disinformation coming from the Russian Federation, after the massive intervention in Ukraine, changed the agenda of the Parliament and the CA, and APEL had to reorient its activity on two major segments: amendments to the primary legislation, amendments to the secondary legislation of CA.

Another example is related to the remark that 2023 is an election year. Thus, until the Electoral Code was adopted, the APEL experts had an extensive discussion on the amendments proposed by the project and those proposed by the CA. We reached a common denominator, some common amendments with which CA went to the Central Electoral Commission and in the end they were adopted.

The Anti-Disinformation Project. The first project provided for the formation of a repressive body so that in the end, following multiple and heated debates in the WG, to which, in the meantime, two more relevant organizations were co-opted, to reach the common understanding that in this segment it is necessary to create a functional Stratcom with no powers to sanction, block or restrict media activity.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ADD ANY OTHER ISSUES YOU FIND RELEVANT AND WHICH WAS NOT MENTIONED ABOVE

In 2022, Moldova became a candidate state for EU accession. One of the major objectives is the adjustment of the national legislation to the community one. In this sense, for the coming years, it will be an intense, complex and difficult activity, and we have every conviction that the accumulated experience of running this project is and will be very useful.



**Comisia cultură, educație,
cercetare, tineret, sport și mass-media**

DISPOZIȚIE

**Cu privire la crearea Grupului consultativ de experți
pentru îmbunătățirea legislației mass-media**

În conformitate cu prevederile articolelor 19 lit.b) și 27 alin.(4) din Regulamentul Parlamentului, adoptat prin Legea nr.797/1996, dispun:

Crearea pe lângă Comisia parlamentară cultură, educație, cercetare, tineret, sport și mass-media a Grupului consultativ de experți pentru îmbunătățirea legislației mass media, în scopul:

- analizei cadrului legal în vigoare;
- elaborării proiectelor de modificare a legislației;
- elaborării propunerilor de inițiative legislative noi;
- dezbaterii și ajustării proiectelor în cadrul ședințelor grupului de lucru, cu înaintarea ulterioară a acestora pentru examinare și dezbateri în cadrul Comisiei și pentru examinare de către Parlamentul Republicii Moldova.

Grupul consultativ de experți va avea următoarea componență:

Experți permanenți:

1. Dl Vasile State – Asociația Presei Electronice (APEL);
2. Dl Ion Bunduchi – Asociația Presei Electronice (APEL)
3. Dl Alexandru Dorogan – Asociația Presei Electronice (APEL);
4. Dna Olga Guțuțui – International Media Support (IMS);
5. Dl Petru Macovei – Asociația Presei Independente (API);
6. Dna Cristina Durnea – Centrul pentru Jurnalism Independent (CJI);
7. Dna Tatiana Puiu – Freedom House;
8. Dna Corina Cepoi – Internews.

Membri delegați de către autoritățile publice:

1. Dna Lilia Rusu – Ministerul Justiției;
2. Dna Rodica Braguța – Ministerul Educației și Cercetării;
3. Dna Olga Casianova – Ministerul Finanțelor
4. Dl Andrei Chistol – Ministerul Culturii

Lucrările de secretariat și organizatorice ale Grupului consultativ de experți vor fi asigurate de către reprezentantul delegat al Asociației Presei Electronice (APEL), în strânsă colaborare cu consultantul delegat din cadrul secretariatului Comisiei.

În Grupul consultativ de experți vor putea fi cooptați și alți experți din rândul societății civile, la diferite etape, în funcție de specificul proiectelor de inițiative elaborate/dezbătute.

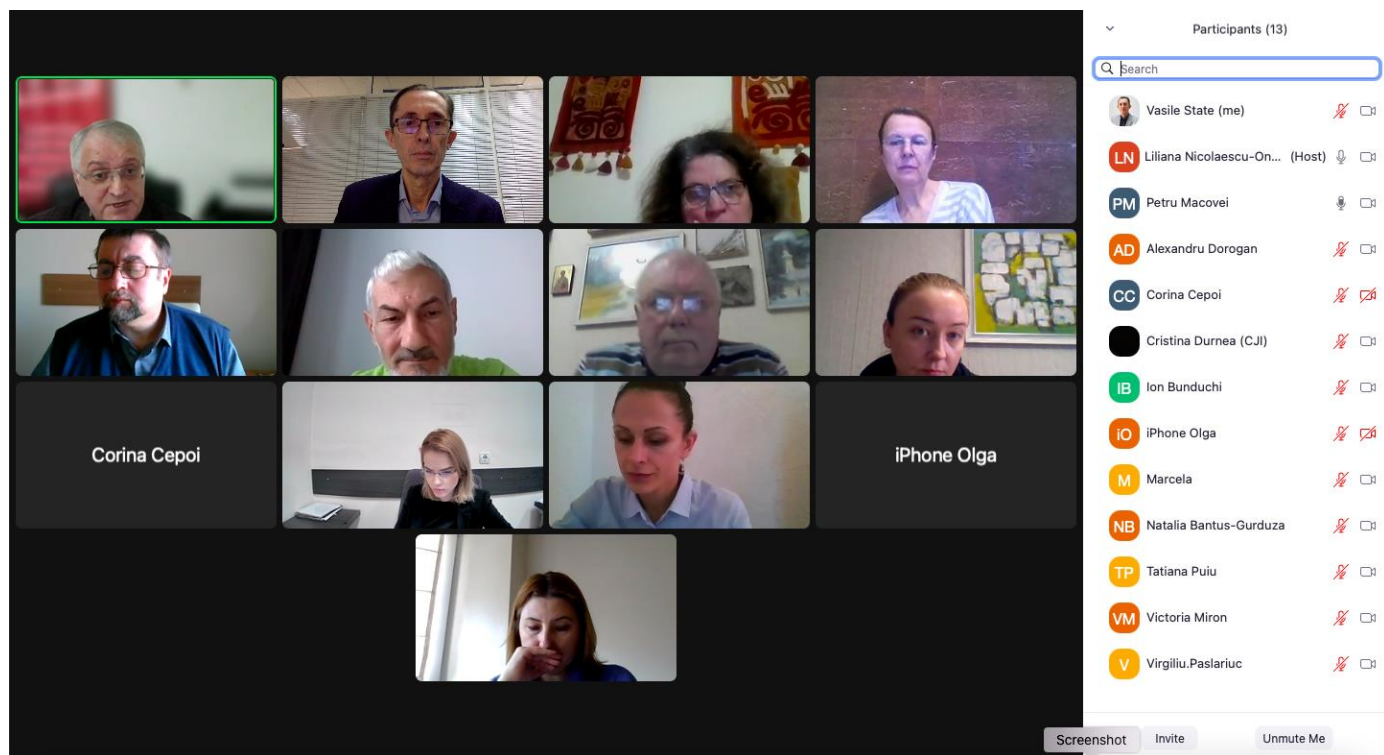
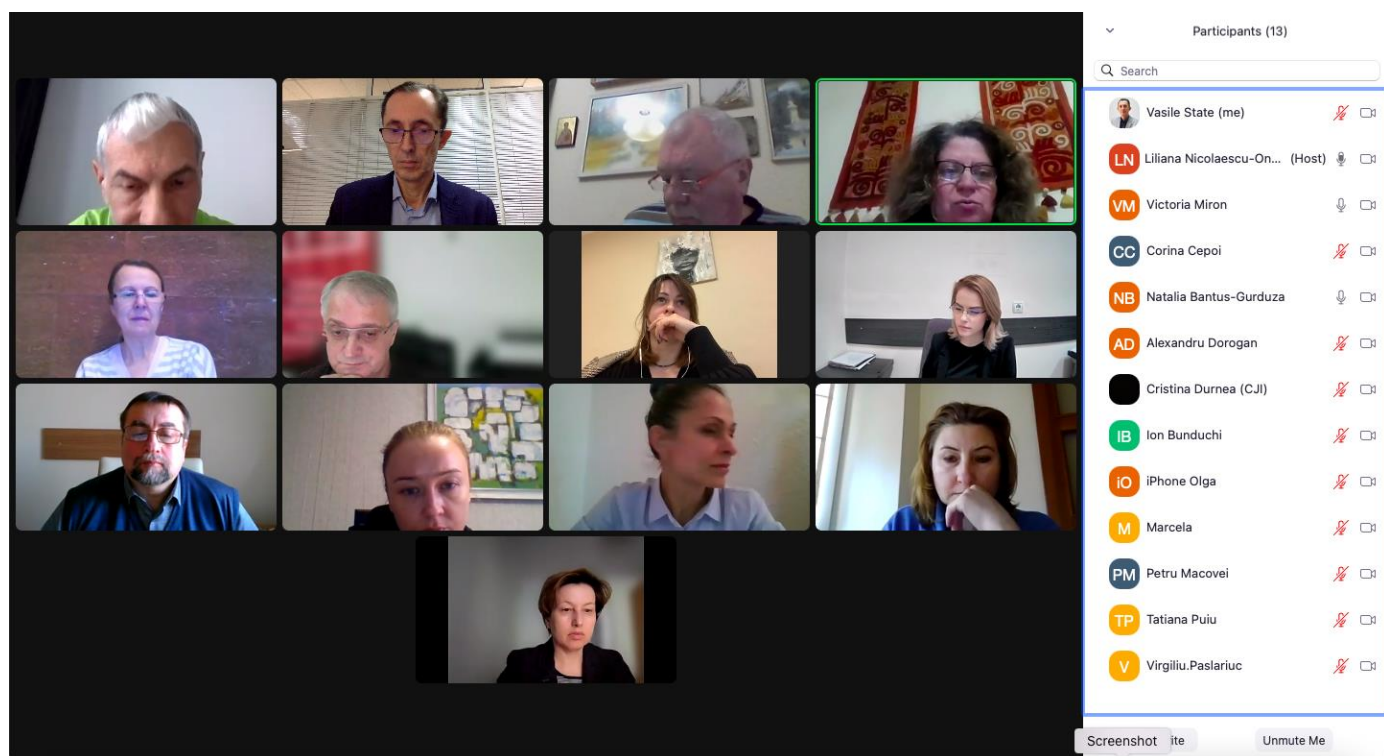


Liliana NICOLAESCU-ONOFREI

Președintele Comisiei

WGM_02 (Online, 21 March, 2022). Participants: 13.

The meeting was attended by 13 people: including representatives of civil society (9), members of the parliamentary media committee (3), representatives of ministries (1).



**Ședința Grupului de lucru consultativ de experți
pentru îmbunătățirea legislației mass-media din 29 martie 2022**

(ora 15.00-17.00, sala de ședințe nr.114, et.1, sediul Parlamentului)

Ordinea de zi:

- 1) Cuvânt de început: președinta comisiei parlamentare cultură, educație, cercetare, tineret, sport și mass-media, dna Liliana Nicolaescu-Onofrei
- 2) Scurtă introducere privind istoricul elaborării proiectelor de acte legislative supuse discuțiilor în cadrul ședinței Grupului de lucru: dl Petru Macovei
- 3) Prezentarea **Programului național de dezvoltare a mass-mediei pentru anii 2022 – 2025**: dl Ion Bunduchi, dl Vasile State
- 4) Prezentarea **Planului de acțiuni pentru implementarea Programului național de dezvoltare a mass-mediei**: dl Ion Bunduchi, dl Vasile State
- 5) Proiectul de lege cu privire la modificarea unor acte normative, care vizează operarea unor amendamente în 10 acte legislative: dl Sergiu Bozianu, dna Stela Pavlov, dna Tatiana Puiu

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- *Legea nr.982-XIV din 11 mai 2000 privind accesul la informație;*
 - *Legea nr. 64 din 23 aprilie 2010 cu privire la libertatea de exprimare;*
 - *Legea nr. 133 din 8 iulie 2011 privind protecția datelor cu caracter personal;*
 - *Codul contravențional, aprobat prin Legea nr. 218-XVI din 24.10.2008;*
 - *Legea nr. 245-XVI din 27 noiembrie 2008 cu privire la secretul de stat;*
 - *Legea presei nr. 243-XIII din 26 octombrie 1994;*
 - *Codul administrativ aprobat prin Legea nr. 116/2018;*
 - *Legea nr. 1543/1998 cadastrului bunurilor imobile;*
 - *Legea nr. 142/2018 cu privire la schimbul de date și interoperabilitate ;*
 - *Codul civil aprobat prin Legea nr. 1107/2002.*

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- 6) Concluzii.

(Marți, 29.03.2022, ora 15.00-17.00, sala de ședințe nr.114, et.1 sediul Parlamentului)

2) Proiectul de lege cu privire la modificarea unor acte normative, care vizează operarea unor amendamente în 10 acte legislative, inclusiv Legea privind accesul la informație.

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WGM_04 (Online, 22.04.2022). Participants: 11

The meeting was attended by 11 people: including representatives of civil society (7), members of the parliamentary media committee (3), representatives of Audio-visual Council (1).

Zoom Meeting

Participants (11)

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- VS Vasile State (me)
- ape APEL (Host)
- LN Liliana Nicolaescu-Onofrei
- LV Liliana Vitu
- PM Petru Macovei
- AD Alexandru Dorogan
- IO iPhone Olga
- IB Ion Bunduchi
- M Marcela
- TP Tatiana Puiu
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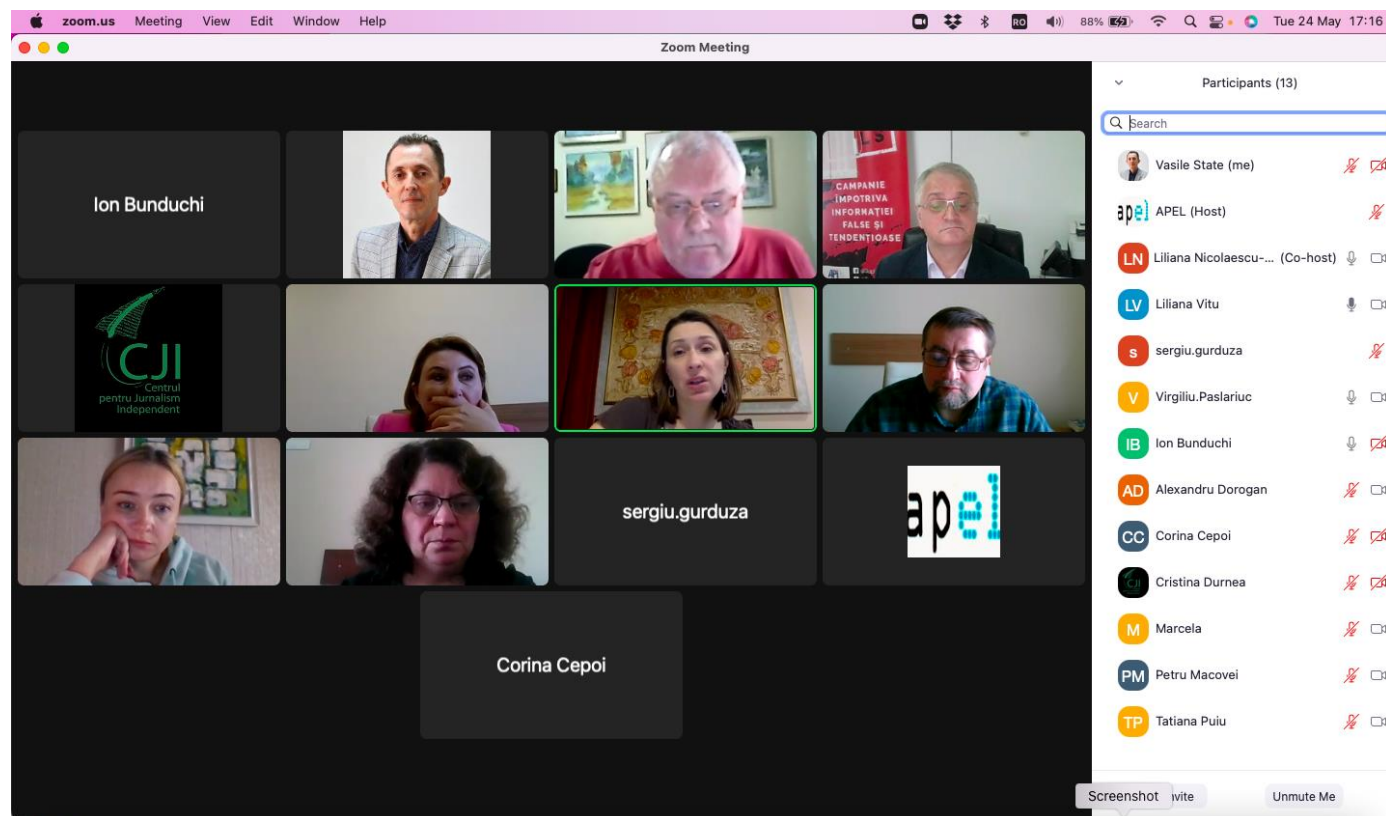
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WGM_05 (Online, 24.05.2022). Participants: 13

The meeting was attended by 13 people: including representatives of civil society (8), members of the parliamentary media committee (3), representatives of Audio-visual Council (1) and of the Office of the President of Parliament (1).

Ședința GL din 24.05.2022 (online)

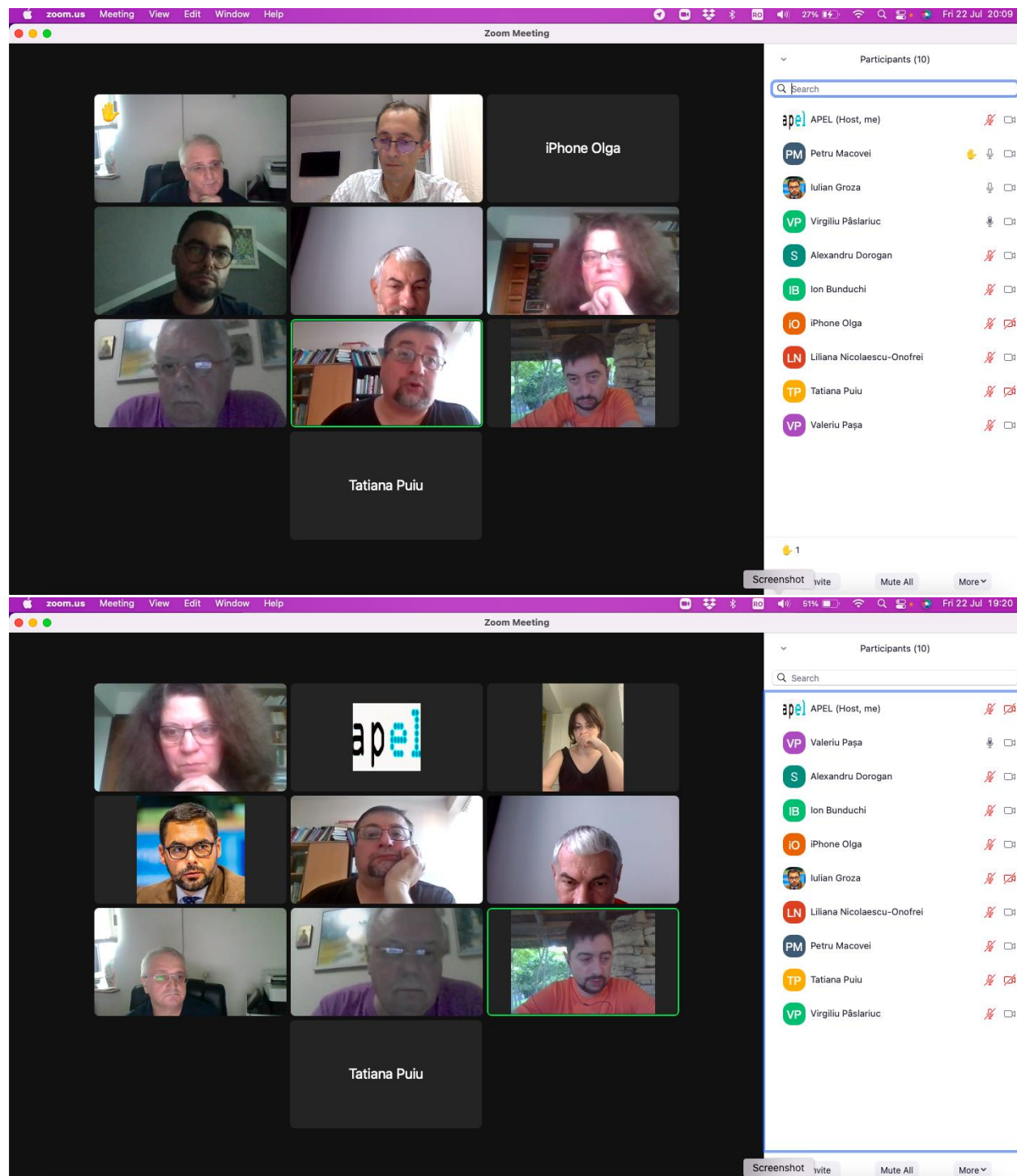
La ședința WGM din 24.05.2022 (online) au fost abordate recomandările făcute de experții Consiliul Europei la proiectul de modificarea CSMA în sensul fortificării dispozițiilor anti-propagandă și anti-dezinformare



Ședința Grupului de lucru din data de 22 iulie 2022, discuție online, la 19.00

Participanți: 10 membri ai GL

Subiecte: a discuta conceptual și aplicativ cum mergem mai departe pe dezvoltarea inițiativei pentru contracararea dezinformării online, denumire de lucru „antidezinformare 2”. Stratcom sau Stratcom + agent constatatator.



Ședința grupului de lucru

pentru îmbunătățirea mass-media pe lângă Comisia cultură, educație, cercetare, tineret, sport și mass-media a Parlamentului

(Miercuri, 27.07.2022, ora 15.00-17.00, Jolly Alon, sala de conferințe, et.2)

Participanți: 14 membri ai GL și invitați

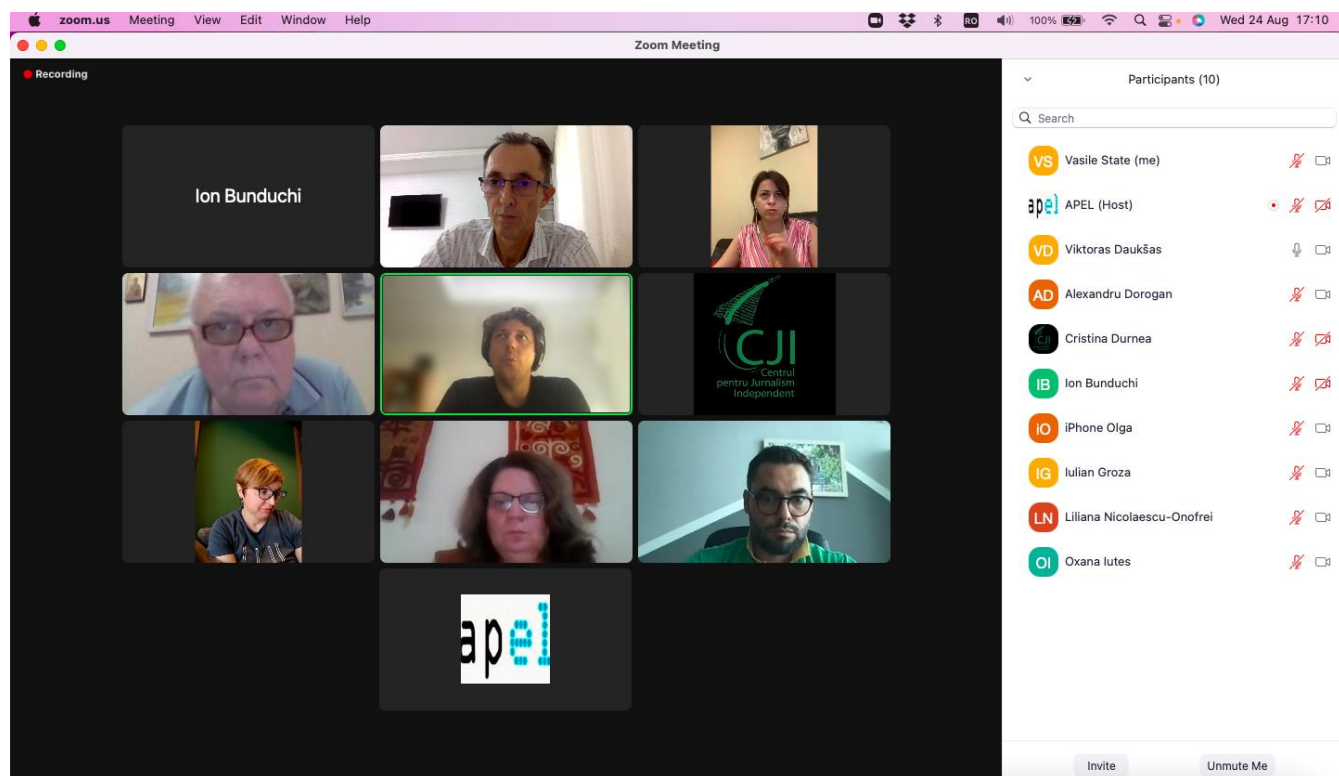
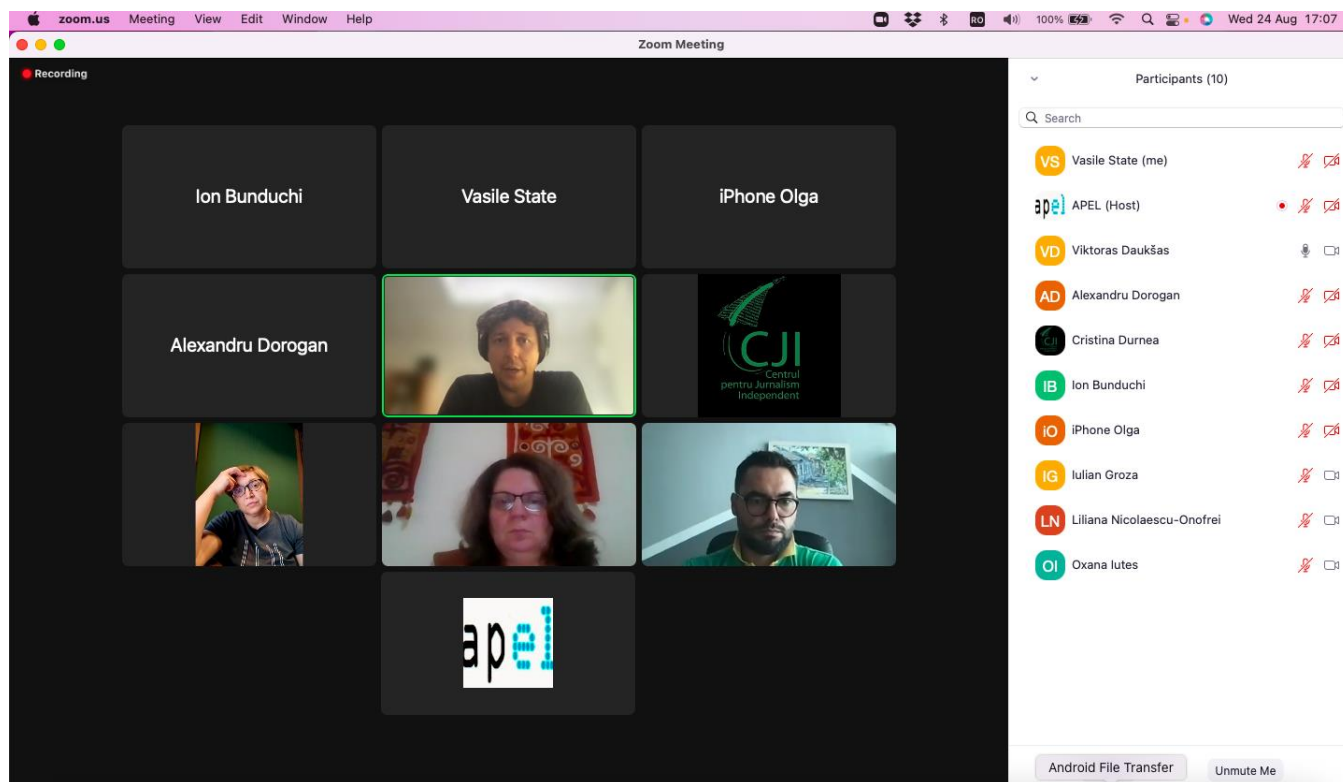
Subiect propus pentru discuție: **Proiectul de lege privind măsurile de susținere a instituțiilor mass-media de importanță socială** (elaborat de API în anii precedenți și actualizat în 2022, autoare Lilia Ioniță).

Lista participanților				
la ședința grupului de lucru pentru îmbunătățirea mass-media pe lângă Comisia cultură, educație, cercetare, tineret, sport și mass-media a Parlamentului				
(Miercuri, 27.07.2022, ora 15.00-17.00, Jolly Alon, sala de conferințe, et.2)				
Subiect propus pentru discuție: <i>Proiectul de lege privind măsurile de susținere a instituțiilor mass-media de importanță socială</i> (elaborat de API în anii precedenți și actualizat în 2022). Prezentare – experta API, Lilia Ioniță.				
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24.08.2022

Subiect: Dezinformarea și propaganda. Invitat: Viktoras Daušas





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Debunk EU is a Lithuania-based disinformation analysis center and independent think tank that received initial [support](#) from Google's Digital News Innovation Fund. With more than 13 years of experience in IT innovation and project management, Dauksas oversees Debunk EU's use of AI and volunteers, or what the think tank calls "elves," to seek out and combat misinformation in Eastern Europe, particularly Russia, and educational media literacy campaigns. The think tank's disinformation analysis covers topics from hybrid warfare and migration to the Covid-19 pandemic, which Dauksas claims was a [turning point](#) for his team's work.

Additional coverage:

[**How Covid-19 overwhelmed a leading group fighting disinformation online**](#)

<https://www.debunkeu.org/documentary-truth-as-a-weapon>

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Documentary "Truth as a Weapon"

The film was created by the Dutch public broadcaster VPRO, who came to Lithuania for the first time two years ago, and now, with the war in Ukraine, they returned to film a sequel and shed more light on the fight against disinformation in Lithuania.

How do you successfully fight disinformation and lies? Two years ago, we filmed in Lithuania how so-called "Elves" fight against Russian trolls. With the war in Ukraine, the fight against disinformation becomes even more fierce.

In the current war between Russia and Ukraine, accurate information is vital. But the Russians seem to be masters at strategically deploying disinformation. Constantly, Russian trolls are producing whole and half falsehoods, and fake news that appears on social media and news sites. Their goal: to sow confusion, play off populations and put alliances under strain.

In the Baltic States, they are used to this information war. They have been bombarded with disinformation from Russia for years. Lithuania is at the forefront of the fight against disinformation: their army has a control room that monitors the media 24 hours a day for fake news. In addition, the country is rich in a volunteer army of troll fighters: the online Elves, who cooperate with the fake news hunters of DebunkEU.org.

Ședința Grupului de lucru consultativ de experți pentru îmbunătățirea legislației mass-media din 27 septembrie 2022

(ora 15.00-17.00, sala de conferințe, Zentrum Hotel)

Participanți: 11 membri ai GL

Ordinea de zi:

- 1) Prezentarea noii versiuni a proiectului de lege privind susținerea dezvoltării mass-media în Rep. Moldova: dna Lilia Ioniță.
- 2) Evidențierea noului concept al documentului, în raport cu proiectul vechi – Legea privind susținerea instituțiilor mass-media de importanță socială.
- 3) Comentarii ale experților din cadrul Grupului de lucru pe marginea prevederilor proiectului propus spre discuție.
- 4) Runda de întrebări și răspunsuri la aspectele problematice ale proiectului.
- 5) Recomandări pentru definitivarea proiectului.
- 6) Concluzii

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(Marți, 27.09.2022, ora 15.00-17.00, Zentrum Hotel, sala de conferințe)				
Subiect în discuție: Proiectul de lege cu privire la susținerea dezvoltării mass-media în Republica Moldova (versiune elaborată de experta Lilia Ioniță în baza discuțiilor și sugestiilor formulate în cadrul ședinței Grupului de lucru din data de 27 iulie 2022).				
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**Ședința Grupului de lucru consultativ de experți
pentru îmbunătățirea legislației mass-media din 14 decembrie 2022**

(ora 15.00-17.00, sala de conferințe, Zentrum Hotel)

Ordinea de zi:

- 1) Prezentarea versiunii adaptate a proiectului de lege privind susținerea dezvoltării mass-media în Rep. Moldova: dna Lilia Ioniță.
 - 2) Comentarii ale experților din cadrul Grupului de lucru pe marginea prevederilor proiectului propus spre discuție.
 - 3) Runda de întrebări și răspunsuri la aspectele-cheie ale proiectului.
 - 4) Recomandări pentru definitivarea proiectului.
 - 5) Concluzii
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la ședința grupului de lucru pentru îmbunătățirea legislației mass-media

(Miercuri 14.12.2022, ora 15.00-17.00, Zentrum Hotel, sala de conferințe)

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Subiect în discuție: *Proiectul de lege cu privire la privire la susținerea dezvoltării instituțiilor mass-media în Republica Moldova* (versiune elaborată în baza discuțiilor și sugestiilor formulate în cadrul ședinței Grupului de lucru din data de 27 septembrie 2022).

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Acest eveniment este organizat în cadrul proiectului „Dezvoltare strategică și consolidarea cadrului legal și de reglementare pentru mass-media independentă din Rep. Moldova”, implementat de Asociația Presei Electronice (APEL) cu susținerea International Media Support (IMS).

WGM_11 (Online, 24.08.2022). Participants: 12

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Online, 19.12.2022 | Participanți: 12 membri ai GL

Subiect pentru discuție: Crearea Centrului de Comunicare Strategică

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting window. The top bar indicates the meeting is titled "Zoom Meeting" and shows the time as 16:05 on Mon 19 Dec. The main area displays a grid of participants. The participants listed are: Vasile State (me), Liliana Nicolaescu-Ono..., Oxana Iutes, sergiu.gurduza, and Ion. The chat window on the right shows a message from sergiu.gurduza to Everyone at 16:03, containing a URL: <https://consiliuaudiovizual.md/news/declaratiile-presedintei-consiliului-audiovizual-liliana-vitu-cu-referire-la-dispozitia-nr-54-a-comisiei-pentru-situatii-exceptionale-din-16-decembrie-2022/>. The chat also shows a search bar and a "Who can see your messages?" dropdown set to "Everyone".

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting window. The top bar indicates the meeting is titled "Zoom Meeting" and shows the time as 16:33 on Mon 19 Dec. The main area displays a document titled "Centrul de Comunicare Strategică - Word". The document content includes the following text:

guvernamentală, în scopul realizării intereselor naționale ale Republicii Moldova, precum și a contribuției prin reacții prompte la campaniile de dezinformare și activitățile hibride;

4) identificarea, prevenirea și combaterea dezinformării prin comunicarea strategică.

9. Pentru realizarea misiunii sale, Centrul exercită următoarele atribuții:

1) monitorizează sistematic informațiile și conținuturile din spațiul informațional public, exceptând spațiul audiovizual, și, în funcție de rezultatele monitorizării, elaborează și pune în practică acțiuni și măsuri de răspuns pentru prevenirea și combaterea dezinformării prin comunicarea strategică;

2) implementează metodologiile și instrucțiunile orientate spre identificarea, prevenirea și combaterea dezinformării, Manual de Consiliul coordonator pentru asigurarea securității informaționale, creat în baza Hotărârii Guvernului nr.497/2022;

3) elaborează un sistem integrat de evaluare și reacție promptă la amenințările asupra spațiului informațional public;

4) coordonează activitatea autorităților și instituțiilor statului, inclusiv a celor autonome, pe dimensiunea prevenirii și combaterii dezinformării prin comunicarea strategică;

5) asigură dezvoltarea capacităților de comunicare strategică a autorităților și instituțiilor statului;

6) emite, în limita competenței sale, recomandări privind înlăturarea cauzelor și condițiilor care contribuie la crearea sau răspândirea dezinformării;

7) înaintează autorităților și instituțiilor statului sau persoanelor fizice și juridice, indiferent de tipul de proprietate, solicitări privind lichidarea

The participants listed on the right are: Vasile State (me), sergiu.gurduza, Liliana Nicolaescu-Onofrei, Oxana Iutes, Petru Macovei, Olga, Alexandru Dorogan, APEL, Cristina Durnea, Ion, iPhone Olga, and Tatiana Puiu.