

PRESS RELEASE

JURI Draft Report on Copyright in the Digital Single Market: A Problem-Solving Approach

Brussels, 21 March 2017 EDiMA* would like to commend the JURI Draft Report for taking a problem-solving approach to the Commission's proposal and voice our appreciation for the leadership of the European Parliament - as demonstrated by the IMCO and JURI Committees - in improving the original text of the Directive on copyright in the Digital Single Market.

We particularly recognise that MEP Comodini has worked to take the opinions of all stakeholders into account in order to balance some of the more untenable aspects of the Commission's copyright proposal. The rapporteur has evidently heard the voices of players from across the board and has worked to maintain a strong level of transparency and impartiality throughout discussions- as is evident in the listing of all the meetings the Rapporteur has dedicated to stakeholder dialogue.

The resulting Draft Report endeavours to address the claims made by stakeholders during this process, without impeding innovation nor endangering the other industries which are thriving in the online ecosystem and contributing to EU economic growth.

MEP Comodini's report is a clear attempt to make the copyright proposal live up to its name: fit for a Digital Single Market.

For more information and for the report, contact: +32 2 626 1990 info@edima-eu.org

Ends

^{*} EDIMA is the European trade association representing online platforms and other innovative businesses. It is an alliance of new media and Internet companies whose members include Airbnb, Amazon EU, Apple, eBay, Expedia, Facebook, Google, King, LinkedIn, Microsoft, Mozilla, PayPal, TripAdvisor, Twitter, Yahoo! Europe, Yelp. EDIMA's members provide Internet and new media platforms offering European consumers a wide range of online services, including e-content, media, e-commerce, communications and information/search services.