64th EPRA meeting

Dublin: 14 – 16 October 2026

Session overview

14 Oct: *19.00* **Welcome Reception** ***Radisson Blu Royal Hotel***

15 Oct: *9.30 – 13.00* ***Radisson Blu Royal Hotel***

Plenary session: ***EPRA Agora***

Life of the network, Members & Observers updates

15 Oct: *14.30 – 17.45* ***Radisson Blu Royal Hotel***

Theme 1: ***Declining Trust in Media & society: consequences for the information environment and how media regulators can respond***

15 Oct: *19.30* **Dinner** ***Guinness Storehouse***

16 Oct: *9.30 – 13.00* ***Radisson Blu Royal Hotel***

Theme 2: ***Protecting children and young people across digital media***

16 Oct: *13.00* **Farewell lunch** ***Radisson Blu Royal Hotel***

16 Oct: *From 15.00* **Free excursion** ***Guided Bus City Tour***

Thurs. 15 OCT

Radisson Blu Royal Hotel

EPRA Agora

Updates and case studies

Registration – 9.00-9.30

9.30 *(20 min)*	**Welcoming delegates**
	Words of welcome: ***Stephanie Comey***, EPRA Chairperson Adopting the agenda Local insights: ***Aoife MacEvilly,*** Broadcasting and VOD Commissioner, Coimisiún na Meán, IE
9.50 *(55 min)*	**Spotlight on EPRA members - Practical case-studies**
	Case studies on Protection of Minors online or Declining Trust in Media ***Frédéric Bokobza***, Arcom, FR ***Maria Bergerlind Dierauer***, Memy, SE ***Sunčica Bakić***, AMU, ME ***Robert Tomljenović***, AEM, HR Open floor for questions/additional interventions
10.45 *(15 min)*	**Update on EPRA & cooperation**
	Update on EPRA Projects and online Taskforces

Coffee Break – 11.00-11.30

11.30 *(30 min)*	**EPRA Strategy: preliminary exchanges**
	Discussion: collecting input from members on EPRA's Strategy 2027-2029
12.00 *(60 min)*	**Spotlight on Observers**
	Lightning round: ***Jean-Augustin Tran***, Analyst, Department for Market Information, European AV Observatory ***Evangelia Vasalou,*** Project Officer, Division Cooperation on Freedom of Expression, Council of Europe Observers Panel, moderated by EPRA Vice-Chair Anthony Szynkaruk ***Amma Asante***, Chairperson, Media Board (EBMS) ***Elena Brodeala,*** Legal Adviser, Freedom of Expression and CDMSI Division, Council of Europe ***Anna Herold,*** Head of Unit, DG CNECT I.1, European Commission ***Deniz Wagner***, Senior Adviser, OSCE-RfoM

Lunch – 13.00-14.30, Radisson Blu Royal Hotel

Thurs. 15 OCT
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Declining trust in media & society: consequences for the information environment and how NRAs can respond

Thematic Session

Thematic session starts – 14.30

Board sponsor: ***Stanislav Matějka***, EPRA Senior Vice-Chairperson
Content producer: ***John William Carey,*** Senior Associate, Content Policy, Ofcom, UK

Session aims: *International studies have cited declining levels of trust in the media, governments and institutions in the context of greater control of the information ecosystem by tech companies, the rise of Gen AI and many other developments. We plan to explore this topic through a range of activities including hearing about research, interactive discussion and views from regulators, and panels with experts to provide their views, all with a focus on how EPRA members can use the levers they have available to address the challenge of declining trust.*

14.30 *(10 min)*	Introduction
14.40 (20 min)	Fireside chat: **Rebuilding trust** moderated by Stephanie Comey, EPRA Chair
	Kevin Bakhurst, Director-General of the Irish PSB, RTÉ
15.00 *(45 min)*	Panel: **Building evidence on trust** moderated by Jonathan Rose, Ofcom
	Rowena Burke, Head of International Content Policy, Ofcom, UK ***Stijn van Hooff,*** Head of Department Research and (International) Policy, CvdM, NL
15.45 *(55 min)*	Interactive discussion: **NRAs responses to trust challenge**
	Presentation of survey results on trust challenges Q & A facilitated by Menti

Coffee break – 16.40 – 17.10

17.10 *(30 min)*	Peer dialogue: **Institutional & regulatory responses** moderated by Stanislav Matějka, EPRA Board
	Deniz Wagner, Senior Adviser, OSCE-RfoM ***Aneta Gonța***, Chairperson, Audiovisual Council, MD
17.40 *(5 min)*	Wrapping up and conclusions

Session closes – 17.45

Dinner – 19.30, Guinness Storehouse

Friday 16 OCT

Radisson Blu Royal Hotel

Protecting children and young people across digital media

Thematic Session

Thematic session starts – 9.30

Board Sponsor: ***Stephanie Comey***, EPRA Chair
Content Producer: ***Rachel Madden***, Assistant Director of Regulatory Policy, Coimisiún na Meán, IE

Session aims: *explore the pivotal role of media regulators in safeguarding minors online, focusing on how to strike a balance between necessary restrictions and the provision of rights-respecting, meaningful alternatives for children and young people. We will delve into the legal and practical challenges surrounding the implementation of protection mechanisms such as age restrictions and proposed social media bans. We will provide space for the perspectives of young people and an opportunity for representatives of major social media platforms of relevance to children to interact with EPRA members.*

9.30 *(30 min)*	**Setting the scene**
	Amélie Lacourt, Analyst, European AV Observatory - mapping recent legal developments ***Leanne Caulfield***, Assistant Director of Research, CnaM, IE - findings from 'Online Safety & Children's Digital Lives'
10.00 *(60 min)*	**Stakeholder Perspectives Panel I** - moderated by Stephanie Comey
	Leo Pekkala, Director, Media Education and Age Ratings Department KUVI, FI ***Susan Moss,*** Head of Public Policy and Government Relations, Ireland, Tiktok ***Grace Mullock,*** Webwise Youth Advisory Panel

Coffee break – 11.00 – 11.30

11.30 (60 min)	**Stakeholder Perspectives Panel II** - moderated by Rachel Madden
	Karen McAuley, Director of Policy for Children and Vulnerable Adults, Coimisiún na Meán, IE ***Ryan Meade,*** Public Policy and Government Relations Manager, Google/YouTube ***Joshua Cullen,*** Webwise Youth Advisory Panel ***Áine Lynch,*** National Parents Council, IE
12.30 (15 min)	**Wrapping up and conclusions**
12.45 (15 min)	**Closing of the meeting**
	Updates on the next EPRA meetings Introducing the 65th EPRA meeting host, the Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services (MK)

Meeting closes – 13.00

Lunch – 13.00, Radisson Blu Royal Hotel

Free excursion – From 15.00, Guided Bus City Tour