

MONDAY FEBRUARY 28TH 2022.-

Dear Ministers,

From AVACI - Audiovisual Authors International Confederation - https://en.audiovisualauthors.org/ - which is integrated by international societies and alliances that represent and/or manage the rights of Audiovisual works' Authors, Screenwriters and Directors, being aware that a new directive would be created, respectfully would like to draw your attention to the issue of the rights of audiovisual authors in the Republic of Slovenia.

In the Republic of Slovenia, according to the actual law, since 1995 the audiovisual authors only have two rights that are managed through the system of collective management: private copying and cable retransmission.

It is also necessary to add the most basic rights for AV authors for the Slovenian coauthors, being necessary to gain those rights to be managed collectively, such as, and without none exclusion: - the right of public presentation (cinemas), - the right of broadcasting (TV stations), - the right of rebroadcasting (shops, bars, gym, as just some examples).

All these rights have been exercised for three decades through collective organizations for the musicians and writers, being the co-authors of audiovisual works are prevented from exercising them, for reasons unknown, although it is common knowledge that collective management is the most effective way to manage these rights worldwide.

It is absolutely necessary to seize the opportunity that this new directive could bring and eliminate the aforementioned anomalies in order to comprehensively regulate the collective management system so that no one is excluded.

Rights must be properly and fairly regulated, especially internationally comparable and non-discriminatory compared to other fields.

By doing so, after decades of irregularities, will the relations between rightsholders be finally balanced and the issues of compensation for co-authors in the event of the use of their works will be properly resolved.

We remain at your disposal for any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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