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Can the EU do more for a healthy media sector?

Wednesday 23 January | 11:00-14:30
Fondation EURACTIV, Boulevard Charlemagne 1, 2nd floor

Healthy democracies need a healthy media sector. Yet, faced with multiple attacks and challenges, notably technological and financial, the sector needs a coordinated response.

- **Is the EU pulling its full weight, beyond countering disinformation?**
- **Can the existing instruments help?**
- **How to anchor this as a priority for the next legislature and Commission?**

(not confirmed*)

Opening: Helga Trüpel, MEP

11:00-12:15 Panel 1: Media independence for quality debates

Moderator: Stephen Boucher, Fondation EURACTIV

- Benedek Jávor, MEP
- Christophe Deloire, Reporters Sans Frontières
- James Deane, BBC Media Action
- Grzegorz Piechota*, Reuters Institute for Journalism
- Ides Debruyne*, Journalism Fund

12:15-13:15 Buffet lunch - Individual MEPs hold thematic round tables examining the issue from different angles

Keynote speaker: Mariya Gabriel, Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society

13:15-14:30 Panel 2: What can the the EU do for the media sector's sustainability?

Discussant and moderator: Christophe Leclercq, Fondation EURACTIV

- Elmar Brok, MEP
- Maria João Rodrigues, MEP
- Pr. Luciano Morganti, VUB
- Ludovic Blecher, Google DNI
- Juliane Rinas*, Bertelsmann
- Ágnes Úrban*, Mérték
- Max von Abendroth, Dafne
- Q&A

Closing: Morten Løkkegaard, MEP

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