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EBLIDA joins a broad coalition of stakeholders demanding that the European Commission and Parliament upholds better regulation principles in the EU copyright review process

On Tuesday, 24 November, EBLIDA joined a [broad coalition of stakeholders](#) representing civil society, news publishers, libraries, consumers and the digital industry in expressing concern regarding the European Commission's approach to consulting on copyright matters.

In our coalition's letter to [Vice-President Timmermans](#), the Commissioner in charge of better regulation, inter-institutional relations, the rule of law and the Charter of Fundamental Rights and in the letter to the **Member of the European Parliament**, **we urge them to uphold their position and to defend the rights of all EU citizens, associations and businesses to engage in an open and transparent debate.**

We specifically asked the Member of European Parliament:

- to ensure that communications are not released before the end of consultations relevant to the subject at hand, and that detailed impact assessments are published before legislative proposals;
- to defend the rights of all citizens, associations and businesses to participate in open and transparent consultations on copyright;
- to continue to oppose the illegitimate introduction of new and controversial copyright for press publishers, as proposed by Amendment 343 to the Draft Report on the DSM.

Read the complete letters to:

- [First Vice-President Frans Timmermans](#) and
- [Members of the European Parliament.](#)