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### About ACT

The Association of Commercial Television in Europe (ACT) is a trade body for the commercial broadcasting sector in Europe. Formed in 1989, the ACT has 27 member companies active in 37 European countries, operating and distributing several thousand free-to-air and pay-tv channels and new media services.

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## Members' Newsroom

### beIN SPORTS: Four more years of UEFA Champions League and Europa League in MENA



beIN MEDIA GROUP has been awarded the exclusive rights to broadcast the UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA).

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### Canal+ Group launches A+ SPORT



CANAL + Group launches a new sports channel in Africa: A+ SPORT. Designed for French-speaking sub-Saharan Africa, A+ SPORT offers a wide variety of sports programmes covering several disciplines, including a selection of major live global and European competitions.

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### Discovery: Eurosport extends Tour de France deal to 2023 with comprehensive exclusivity across 38 European markets



Eurosport has sealed a new deal with the European Broadcasting Union and Amaury Sport Organisation that ensures cycling fans across Europe will be able to watch every minute of the Tour de France live on its channels for the next six years.

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## MTG completes acquisition of Kongregate



MTG has completed the acquisition of 100% of US games publisher and developer Kongregate. Jørgen Madsen Lindemann, MTG President and CEO stated: “Consumers now spend almost a third of their mobile device time playing games, and Kongregate is a great fit with our strategy to invest in relevant, complementary and scalable digital content and communities”.

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## RTL Group: A successful team effort



On 'Africa' theme day, held on 12 June 2017, the magazines and news broadcasts aired on N-TV, RTL Television and Vox all reported on the dire situation faced by millions of people in East Africa and appealed for donations. The result was a success: together with the €1 million in emergency relief provided by the 'Stiftung RTL – Wir helfen Kindern' (RTL Foundation – We Help Children), a total of €1,153,985 will go towards helping children and families in East Africa.

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## Upcoming Policy Events In September

- 4/09/17 EP IMCO Vote on electronic communications code (MEP Charanzova)
- 6-8/09/17 Estonian Presidency Conference: “E-Volution of data protection”, Tartu
- 6/09/17 EU40 Event “Regulating Privacy in Digital Times”
- 7/09/17 EP JURI Discussion on sat cab amendments (MEP Wölken)
- 8/09/17 Swiss Anti-Counterfeiting and Piracy Platform Conference: “Best practices in the fight against counterfeiting & piracy – the role and responsibility of advertising, logistic and financial service providers”, University of Neuchâtel
- 11-12/09/17 Council Working Party on Intellectual Property
- 20/09/17 Council Audiovisual Working Party
- 20-21/09/17 Council Working Party on Intellectual Property
- 21-22/09/17 Estonian Presidency Conference: “Connecting Europe”, Tallinn
- 28/09/17 EP JURI Vote on sat cab (MEP Wölken)

- 28/09/17 EP JURI Vote on copyright (MEP Voss)
- 28/09/17 EP IMCO/JURI Vote on DCD (MEPs Voss/Gebhardt)
- 29/09/17 EU Digital Summit, Tallinn

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## ACT members

