

EuropeAid/129857/D/SER/MK Enhancing the administrative capacities of telecom and media authorities for efficient regulation of new digital and multiple play services



## Achievements of the Project

The Project started on September 2nd 2013. An extensive set of activities was implemented in the whole duration of 21 month period (September 2013 – May 2015), which is described in more details below.

## Achievements with the Agency for Electronic Communications

Workshops, presentations and guidance documents for AEK in the electronic communications sector on:

- The impact of new technologies
- Spectrum management and digital dividend
- Complaints and disputes procedures
- Market research and analysis methods
- Universal service including broadband
- Numbering management and number portability
- Network infrastructure investment
- Market self-regulation and co-regulation
- Systems of advice for consumers
  - Quality Management System ISO9001:2008 reviewed, improved anda process of recertification finalized
  - Market analyses assessed and methodology for conducting of a market analyses improved
- Market survey method improved

## Legal alignment

- Comments on the draft new Law on Electronic Communications
- Gap analysis and gap plugging reports on AEK regulations on:
  - Services and quality
  - Network and data security
  - Spectrum management legal framework
  - Universal service
  - Interoperability of interactive TV services
  - Notification procedures
  - Transparency of AEK
  - Customer care
  - Accounting separation
  - Cost modelling
  - AEK supervision fee
  - Mediation procedures
  - Numbering scheme
  - Numbering assignment
  - Numbering fees
  - Number portability

## Achievements with the Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services

- Quality Management System ISO 9001:2008 introduced
- Legal alignment Twelve draft by-laws prepared and adopted by the AAAMS Council
- Methodology for media literacy research developed, which was used when the baseline research studies were commissioned by the AAAMS
- Analysis on self-regulation and co-regulation conducted with Guidelines aimed for the AAAMS's future activities on developing alternative forms of regulation
- Guidelines for monitoring of hate speech produced and presented to different stakeholders
- Study on media concentration and Review of the Law on Audio and Audiovisual Media Services in respect to protection of media pluralism completed
- Draft -program developed for encouraging AVMS provid-

- ers to make their services accessible to people with hearing or visual disabilities
- Guidelines for Digital Rights Management produced and presented
- Guidelines for Audience Research developed and AAAMS staff trained
- Methodology on media market analysis finished
- Program for encouraging media literacy in Macedonia drafted and presented to stakeholders
- Several trainings for the staff of AAAMS and for the AVMS's providers and other stakeholders delivered (European audiovisual works, new advertising techniques, product placement, media literacy, digital rights management, hate speech etc.)
- Communication and visibility strategy and plan for the Project produced.

A total of 36 workshops were organized for both beneficiaries, which provided the participation of representatives of national and regional media and services providers.









