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Basis for operation

Legal framework Act No 53 of 13 June 1997 relating to Supervision of the Acquisition of Newspaper and Broadcasting Enterprises (the Media Ownership Act)

General remit TV radio networks and infrastructures
 Others (press)

Funding mechanisms ⁱ licence fee industry fee state budget
 mixed funding (please specify):
 other (please specify):

Composition

Number of members: Term of office: years Re-election possible:
Proposal of members: <please describe the procedure>

Appointment of members: <please describe the procedure>

Revocation of mandate possible: based on: <please state the possible reasons for revocation of the mandate>

Number of staff: 6

Chairman: Director General Sigve Gramstad Vice Chairman:

Please describe your authority's structure if it does not have a board:

The Authority is headed by the Director General. Not divided into departments/units.

Competences

		national	regional	local
Granting of licences	terrestrial analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	terrestrial digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	cable analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	cable digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

In the areas where your authority is not competent to grant licences, please specify the authority in charge:

Please add any other relevant information:

Granting of registrations	terrestrial analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	terrestrial digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	cable analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	cable digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

In the areas where your authority is not competent to grant registrations, please specify the authority in charge:

Please add any other relevant information:

Frequency allocation

Supervision of	private broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	public broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Handling complaints

Sanctioning	<input type="checkbox"/> issue warning	<input type="checkbox"/> impose fine	<input type="checkbox"/> demand to broadcast announcement
	<input type="checkbox"/> revoke licence	<input type="checkbox"/> suspend licence	<input type="checkbox"/> reduction in the licensing period
	<input type="checkbox"/> suspend a programme / broadcast		
	<input type="checkbox"/> other (please specify):		

Rule making	<input type="checkbox"/> codes	<input type="checkbox"/> rules (please specify):
	<input type="checkbox"/> other (please specify):	

Consultative powers please specify the areas covered:

Power of nomination please specify:
(e.g. chairman of
PSB)

Monitoring programming
 financial performance
 others (please specify): ownership of media undertakings

Others Please specify: pluralism of the media (power to intervene against acquisition of ownership interests in broadcasting and press)

Please add any information you deem important:

ⁱ By "licence fee" we refer to the public service licence fee usually paid by the entire population, whereas the term "industry fee" implies all those funding mechanisms based on a contribution from broadcasters themselves, including, for example, licensing fees (i.e. an amount of money that is paid by the broadcaster for it to be able to carry out its broadcasting operations) and frequency taxes.