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COPEAM: 26th annual Conference in Split

"Changing societies: communicating diversities" is the topic of the 26th Annual Conference of COPEAM (Permanent Conference of the Mediterranean Audiovisual Operators), which will take place in Split, Croatia, from 4 to 6 April, upon invitation of the public Croatian broadcaster HRT and with the support of Eni.

The event - which will bring together the top managers of public broadcasting services, professionals from the audiovisual and cultural sectors and representatives of institutions and international organizations of the Euro-Mediterranean area - will start on Friday 5 April with the joint meeting of the COPEAM Commissions (Audiovisual Heritage, Cinema-Festival-Culture, Gender Equality, News Exchange, Radio, Television, Training).

Saturday 6 April at 9.30 am, Mr. Kazimir Bačić - President of COPEAM and Director General of HRT – and Mr. Andro Krstulovic Opara, Mayor of Split, will officially open the Conference with a welcome address.

The theme of the Conference will be then introduced by Nabil Al-Sharif, Executive Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation, and deepened in the following panel - moderated by Dragan Nikolić, journalist of HRT - by international guest speakers: Milica Pesić, Director of the Media Diversity Institute of London; Daniela Drastata, President of the EBU Intercultural and Diversity TV group; and Olya Booyar, Head of the Radio Department of the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union.

The works will include a session focusing on the best practices in positively representing diversity in the media, through pertinent examples by the President of the Moroccan High Authority Audiovisual Communication (HACA), the presentation of Rijeka Capital of Culture 2020 and "US #withoutborders, together for a better world": a project by Uninettuno Telematic University about second-generation immigrants and refugees.

The event will close with the 25th COPEAM General Assembly and the adoption of a resolution abridging the results of the Conference and the guidelines for future activities.

For more information: http://www.copeam.org/conference/copeam-26th-annual-conference-and-25th-general-assembly/

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