

Activity Report 2018



New Leadership

- [Stephen Boucher was appointed as new Managing Director](#) of Fondation EURACTIV (April). He was previously co-director of a think-tank & media entrepreneur.
- Christophe Leclercq continues as Executive Chair, promoting media-friendly policies and [projects](#) for 2019-2024.
- A new strategy was developed: “[Think-and-do-tank dedicated to fostering a healthy media sector in Europe](#)”.
- Our **Theory of Change** for 2018-19 was formulated: “Why ‘acupuncture’ can help Europe’s media sector” ([available upon request](#)).



Projects

- Renewed commitment from the European Parliament for the [Stars4Media pilot project](#): voted in BUDG Committee into the 2019 EP budget
- We joined the winning project funded by DG Connect "data-driven news production on EU affairs" with the consortium "European Data Journalism Network"
- **We launched our new website in November!** <https://fondationeuractiv.eu/>



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Media Policy

- Christophe Leclercq joined the [High-Level Expert Group \(HLEG\) on disinformation](#) set up by the Digital Commissioner Mariya Gabriel (since January), and he took part in Media Policy Breakfasts in Strasbourg with the Digital Commissioner and key MEPs in April and December.
- Christophe gave a [keynote speech in Brasilia](#) on disinformation before Brazil's Presidential elections (June).



Events

- We organised an interactive workshop on [debating Euroscepticism](#) – in the framework of the CODES project co-funded by “Europe for Citizens” (January)
- We co-organised a high-level conference “Disinformation – the playbook and how to fight it”: [2018 Brussels DisinfoLab](#)” (April)
- We organised a conference with the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) [Lutte contre la désinformation - Pour une stratégie européenne et francophone](#) with a keynote speech by Mariya Gabriel and MEP Jean Arthuis (October)
- We co-organised the Journalism Funders Forum – [Expert Circle](#) with the European Journalism Centre on journalism funding and sustainability (October)
- We initiated the [Europe's Media Lab](#) series of policy events leading up to the European Parliament elections in 2019, and culminating in a media summit in the European Parliament in June 2019.

Recent publications

- C. Leclercq: [After the Copyright Win, What Strategy for Europe's Media Sector?](#)
- S. Boucher: [Disinformation, How Europe Should Prioritise its To-Do List](#)
- C. Leclercq: [Avoid Censorship, Dilute Fake News with Quality News](#)
- S. Boucher: [Disinformation: How Europe should prioritise its to-do list](#)

