

# Dear Members of the European Parliament,

**WE UNDERSIGNED EUROPEAN CREATORS - ESTABLISHED AND EMERGING - FROM ALL ARTISTIC FIELDS, ARE ASKING YOU TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND ADOPT THE COPYRIGHT DIRECTIVE WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY.**

Our films, plays, books, articles, music, drawings, paintings, sculptures, photos, choreographies and other forms of art are a source of wealth and pride for European culture. Our art is both our passion and our profession.

For people to continue enjoying European culture in today's digital environment, and for creators to be able to make a living today and tomorrow, we urge you to adopt the Copyright Directive.

This directive creates a much-needed level playing field between us, the creators, and those who communicate and distribute our works on different media and platforms. It is a matter of mutual respect. It is essential to the sustainability of our activities and therefore of the cultural and artistic diversity of Europe.

It is in everyone's interests to promote authors' rights so that they may continue to create, and in doing so bring lasting benefits to the whole of society. To retain Europe's best talents and build the next generation of European creators, we must safeguard creators' rights and promote their livelihoods. We cannot afford to wait another decade for copyright legislation to be adapted to the digital environment. This is not only about us but about the future of Europe's culture.

You have the opportunity to send a historical and positive message to future generations of creators: that they are valued and that they will be fairly remunerated for their work.

We therefore urgently call on you, Members of the European Parliament, to say yes to this reform.

13 March 2019

## Signatories:

## Austria

Reinhold Bilgeri, Screenwriter and Director  
Werner Boote, Screenwriter and Director  
Gerhard Ertl, Screenwriter, Director and Producer  
VALIE EXPORT, Media artist, Performance artist and Filmmaker  
Brigitte Kowanz, Transmedia artist and Light artist  
Hermann Nitsch, Action performer, Painter, Composer and Set designer  
Peter Payer, Director  
Stefan Ruzowitzky, Director  
Cesár Sampson, Singer and Songwriter  
Eva Schlegel, Media and Object artist and Photographer  
Erwin Wurm, Performance artist, Sculptor, Video artist and Photographer  
Heimo Zobernig, Painter, Sculptor, Filmmaker and Performance artist

## Belgium

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Hélène Cattet & Bruno Forzani, Screenwriter and Director  
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Jean-Pierre Dardenne, Writer, Director and Producer  
Luc Dardenne, Writer, Director and Producer  
Benjamin d'Aoust, Director and Screenwriter  
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Stefaan Fernande, Songwriter  
Benoit Feroumont, Screenwriter, Director and Cartoonist  
Frédéric Fonteyne, Director  
Matthieu Frances, Screenwriter and Director  
Jean-Luc Goossens, Writer and Director  
Thomas Gunzig, Author

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Jérôme le Maire, Screenwriter and Director  
Guillaume Malandrin, Screenwriter and Director  
Emmanuel Marre, Director  
Catherine Montondo, Scriptwriter and Director  
Tom Novembre, Composer, Singer and Actor  
Alain Poncelet, Comic-strip artist  
Inès Rabadan, Scriptwriter and Director  
Michaël R. Roskam, Director and Screenwriter  
Guillaume Senez, Director  
Yves Sente, Comic book author  
Frédéric Sojcher, Filmmaker and Professor  
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Samuel Tilman, Director and Screenwriter  
Guérin van de Vorst, Screenwriter and Director  
Jaco Van Dormael, Screenwriter and Director  
Felix van Groeningen, Director and Screenwriter  
Georges Van Linthout, Cartoonist and Screenwriter  
Micha Wald, Director and Screenwriter  
Kris Wauters, Musician, Singer and Songwriter  
Isabelle Wéry, Writer and Actress

## Czech Republic

Jan Hřebejk, Writer and Director  
Petr Janda, Singer, Composer and Musician  
David Koller, Composer and Singer  
Richard Krajčo, Composer, Songwriter and Singer  
Michal Prokop, Singer and Songwriter  
Ondřej Soukup, Composer and Music producer  
Zdeněk Svěrák, Scriptwriter, Author, Dramatist, Writer and Actor  
Milan Uhde, Author, Writer, Dramatist and Scriptwriter  
Emil Viklický, Composer and Jazzman  
Meky Žbirka, Composer and Singer

## Denmark

Lars Ankerstjerne, Songwriter and Producer  
Frans Bak, Film composer  
Pernille Rosendahl, Singer and Songwriter

## Finland

Eija-Liisa Ahtila, Visual artist and Filmmaker  
Marjatta Hanhijoki, Graphic artist  
Marjukka Korhonen, Sculptor  
Juho Kuosmanen, Director and Screenwriter  
Kaija Kärkinen, Lyricist  
Marita Liulia, Visual artist  
Markus Nordenstreng, Songwriter  
Mari Rantasila, Director, Actress and Musician  
Heli Rekula, Photographer  
Jani Ruscica, Visual artist  
Kari Soinio, Photographer  
Aku Toivonen, Songwriter  
Milja Viita, Visual artist and Filmmaker  
Wiggo Wallensköld, Painter

## France

Jef Aerosol, Street-artist  
Jane Evelyn Atwood, Photographer  
Serge Bloch, Illustrator  
Eric Bouvet, Photographer  
Daniel Buren, Plastic artist  
C215, Street artist  
Catherine Corsini, Filmmaker  
Costa-Gavras, Filmmaker  
Odile Decq, Architect  
Sophie Deschamps, Screenwriter  
Michel Hazanavicius, Filmmaker  
Invader (Space invaders), Visual artist  
Agnès Jaoui, Screenwriter, Director and Actress  
Cédric Klapisch, Writer, Director and Producer  
Anne Landois, Showrunner and Screenwriter  
Xavier Legrand, Filmmaker  
Jean-Xavier de Lestrade, Screenwriter and Director  
Radu Mihaileanu, Filmmaker  
Sarah Moon, Photographer  
Isabelle Nanty, Screenwriter and Comedian  
Philippe Ramette, Sculptor  
Noémie Saglio, Screenwriter, Director  
Jean-Paul Salomé, Filmmaker  
Marjane Satrapi, Comic book writer and Filmmaker  
George Saulterre, Sculptor  
Antoine Schneck, Photographer  
Céline Sciamma, Filmmaker

Bertrand Tavernier, Filmmaker  
Julien Teisseire, Filmmaker  
Laurent Tirard, Filmmaker  
Miss.Tic, Street artist  
Xavier Veilhan, Plastic artist  
Patrick Zachmann, Photographer  
Guy Le Querrec, Photographer  
Katell Quillevéré, Filmmaker

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Alexander Adolph, Screenwriter, Director and Producer  
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Fred Breinersdorfer, Screenwriter  
Prof. Peter F. Bringmann, Director  
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Harold Faltermeyer, Musician, Composer and Record producer  
Amelie Fried, Writer and TV moderator  
Aelrun Goette, Director  
Jochen Greve, Screenwriter  
Oliver Heuss, Film Composer  
Oliver Hirschbiegel, Director  
Hannah Hollinger, Screenwriter  
Matthias Hornschuh, Composer  
Wiebke Jaspersen, Screenwriter  
Christian Jeltsch, Screenwriter  
Holger Karsten Schmidt, Screenwriter  
Imogen Kimmel, Director  
Gabi Kubach, Director  
Petra Lüschow, Screenwriter and Director  
Herbert Nauderer, Artist and Musician  
Carolin Otto, Screenwriter and Director  
Maris Pfeiffer, Director  
Domenikus Probst, Director  
Christoph Rinnert, Composer  
Marcus O. Rosenmüller, Director  
Johannes Rotter, Screenwriter  
Volker Schlöndorff, Filmmaker  
Jochen Schmidt-Hambrock, Composer  
Rolf Silber, Screenwriter and Director  
Elżbieta 'Ela' Steinmetz, Singer and Songwriter  
Hans P. Ströer, Composer and Musician  
Annika Tepelmann, Screenwriter  
Eva Zahn & Volker A. Zahn, Screenwriter  
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Christian Wagner, Director  
Eva Wehrum, Screenwriter and Producer

Hans Werner, Director  
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László Cselényi, Film director and Editor  
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Zsolt Gyökössi, Theatre and television director and Writer  
Gábor Herendi, Film director and Screenwriter  
Zoltán Hevér, Director  
István Juhász F., Screenwriter and Dramaturge  
László Juszt, Reporter, Writer and Journalist  
Gábor Kiss, Director of photography  
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Győző Sárkány, Graphic artist  
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Ágnes Szalkai-Lőrincz, Dubbing dramaturge and AV translator  
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Tamás Tóth, Literary translator and Translator

## Italy

Liliana Cavani, Director  
Matteo Garrone, Director  
Marco Tullio Giordana, Screenwriter and Director  
Ennio Morricone, Composer, Orchestrator and Conductor  
Francesco Ranieri Martinotti, Director  
Paolo Taviani, Director

## Latvia

Martins Brauns, Songwriter and Musician  
Lauris Gundars, Writer and Playwright  
Janis Holsteins-Upmanis, Songwriter and Musician

Karlis Kazaks, Songwriter and Musician  
Karlis Lacis, Composer  
Valdis Muktupavels, Ethnomusicologist, Composer and Musician  
Juris Arvids Murnieks, Songwriter and Music publisher  
Valdis Rumnieks, Writer and Literary historian  
Ingus Ulmanis, Songwriter and Musician

## Lithuania

Arunas Matelis, Director, Writer and Producer

## Luxembourg

Daniel Balthasar, Author, Composer and Performer  
David Galassi, Author, Composer and Singer  
David Laborier, Composer and Performer  
John Rech, Author, Composer and Performer  
Pascal Schumacher, Composer and Performer  
Serge Tonnar, Author, Composer and Performer  
Gast Waltzing, Composer  
Roland Wiltgen, Composer and Performer

## Netherlands

Karin Bloemen, Actress, Singer and Lyricist  
Jet Boeke, Illustrator  
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Barry Hay, Composer, Artist  
Micha Hamel, Composer  
Ilvy Njiokiktjien, Photographer  
Ruben Oppenheimer, Cartoonist  
Pim Ras, Photographer  
Freek van den Bergh, Photographer  
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Eric van Tijn, Producer

## Poland

Urszula Dudziak, Vocalist  
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Marek Kościkiewicz, Vocalist, Songwriter and Music producer  
Pawel Pawlikowski, Director  
Jan Pospieszalski, Composer and Musician  
Piotr Rubik, Composer

Maria Sadowska, Director and Actress

## Portugal

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Tózé Brito, Musician, Composer, Songwriter and Performer

Pedro Calapez, Painter

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António Casimiro, Painter and Scenographer

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Tudor-Flaviu Giurgiu, Director and Screenwriter

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Napoleon-Leonardo Helmis, Director and Screenwriter

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Cristian Mungiu, Director and Screenwriter

Călin Peter Netzer, Director and Screenwriter

Liviu-Doru Nitescu, Director and Screenwriter

Dan Pita, Director and Screenwriter

Constantin Popescu, Director and Screenwriter

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Daniel Kollár, Writer

Monika Kompaníková, Writer and Artist

Uršula Kovalyk, Writer

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Peter Lipa, Singer, Songwriter

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Ondrej Šulaj, Screenwriter, Director and Playwriter

Miroslav Žbirka, Singer and Songwriter

## Spain

Alfonso Albacete, Painter

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Carla Andrade, Painter

Olatz Arroyo Abaroa, Screenwriter

Carlos Clavijo Cobos, Director and Screenwriter

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Isabel Coixet, Director and Producer

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José Freixanes, Painter

Yolanda García Serrano, Director and Screenwriter

Juan Genovés, Painter

Luis Gordillo, Painter

Joaquín Górriz Portella, Screenwriter

Rafael Levenfeld, Photographer

Robert Llimós, Painter

Carlos López García, Screenwriter

Susana López Rubio, Screenwriter

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Juan Luis Moraza, Installations and performances

Antón Patiño, Painter

Esther Pizarro, Installations and performances

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Eulàlia Valldosera, Video Artist

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Paul Hansen, Photographer and Journalist  
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Lasse Åberg, Artist and Filmmaker  
Jockum Nordström, Artist  
Karin Mamma Andresson, Artist  
Lars Jonsson, Artists and Bird Painter

## United Kingdom

Kate Atkinson, Writer  
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Tony Bradman, Writer  
Tracy Chevalier, Writer  
Wendy Cope OBE, Writer  
Poppy Corbett, Theatre writer  
Maureen Duffy, Writer  
Stella Duffy OBE, Writer and Theatre author  
Jonathan Fryer, Writer  
Piers Haggard, Director  
Joanne Harris, Writer  
Victoria Horn, Songwriter  
Shirley Hughes, Writer  
Peter Kosminsky, Writer, Director and Producer  
Jane Lamacraft, Screenwriter  
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Sir Alan Parker, Director and Screenwriter  
Paul Powell, Screenwriter and Producer  
Diane Redmond, Screenwriter  
Michael Ridpath, Writer

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Cath Senker, Writer  
Nick Sharratt, Writer and Illustrator  
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Joan Smith, Writer  
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Charles Sturridge, Writer and Director  
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