

# State of Signatures and Ratifications on 1 February of the: European Convention on transfrontier television European Convention on cinematographic co-production

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In IRIS 1996-5: 10 we published an overview of the State of Signatures and Ratifications of all European Conventions and other international treaties that are relevant to the audio-visual sector.

In IRIS 1996-7: 5, IRIS 1996-8: 6 (September issue), IRIS 1996-9: 7 (October issue), IRIS 1996-10: 5 and in IRIS Special 1996 we updated this overview.

We can now report that in the meantime, Slovakia ratified the European Convention on transfrontier television. Slovakia, which signed this Convention on 11 September 1996, ratified it on 20 January 1997. Consequently, the date of entry into force will be 1 May 1997. As indicated in IRIS 1996-9: 7 (October issue), Slovakia made a reservation when it signed the Convention. Slovakia reserves the right to oppose any retransmission on its territory of programmes containing advertising for alcoholic beverages that is not in conformity with Slovakia's national legislation.

In IRIS 1996-10:5 we updated the State of Signatures and Ratifications of the European Convention on cinematographic co-production until 1 November 1996. Since then, this Convention entered into force on 1 February 1997 for Hungary, which acceded to it on 24 October 1996. On the same date, it entered into force for Spain, which signed it on 2 September 1994 and ratified it on 7 October 1996. The Convention will enter into force for Portugal on 1 April 1997, which signed it on 22 July 1994 and ratified it on 13 December 1996. Turkey signed the Convention on 10 January 1997.

