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Media freedom in Slovenia: MEPs to continue taking stock of recent developments

Parliament's monitoring group has invited the prime minister, culture minister, chief prosecutor and ombudsman, as well as media and civil society, to a meeting on Friday.

Following a first meeting held on 5 March, the Democracy, Rule of law and Fundamental rights Monitoring Group (DRFMG) will continue assessing the state of media freedom in Slovenia. The [dedicated working group](#) set up by the Civil Liberties Committee has been monitoring closely the situation related to EU values across all member states, especially in the context of COVID-19 emergency measures.

This second exchange of views on the situation in Slovenia will be structured as follows:

13.35 - 14.30 First panel

- **Barbara Štrukelj**, Editor-in-chief, Slovenian Press Agency
- **Igor Kadunc**, General Director, RTV Slovenia
- **Borut Rončevič**: member of the Supervisory Board at RTV Slovenia, Chair of the expert committee for media projects at the Ministry of Culture
- **Nataša Pirc Musar**, Lawyer specialising in media law
- **Igor Pirkovič**, Association of journalists and publicists

14.30 - 15.15 Second panel

- **Peter Svetina**, Human Rights Ombudsman
- **Mirjam Kline**, Supreme State Prosecutor

15.15 - 16.15 Third panel

- **Janez Janša**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia
- **Vasko Simoniti**, Culture Minister of Slovenia

When: Friday 26 March 2021, 13:30 - 16:30

Where: European Parliament in Brussels, József Antall building, room 4Q1, with remote participation.

You can follow the meeting live [here](#). Interpretation will be available from and to English, French, Slovenian, Polish and Greek. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, journalists are strongly

advised to follow the meeting online.

Further information

[MEPs express concerns over attacks on media in Poland, Hungary and Slovenia \(10.3.2021\)](#)

[Meeting of the Working Group on Democracy, Rule of Law and Fundamental Rights Monitoring Group on developments in Slovenia \(5.3.2021\)](#)

[MEPs warn of deteriorating fundamental rights in the EU \(26.11.2020\)](#)

[Media freedom: EP warns of attempts to silence critics and undermine pluralism \(25.22.2020\)](#)

[European values must prevail, even in a state of public emergency, MEPs say \(13.11.2020\)](#)

[EP Research Service - The impact of coronavirus on media freedom \(8.5.2020\)](#)

[EP webpage: protecting press freedom during the Covid-19 pandemic](#)

[Rule of law concerns in member states: how the EU can act \(infographic\)](#)

[European Commission - 2020 Rule of law report](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material](#)

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