

# 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:

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[Hermann Nitsch](#), Action performer, Painter, Composer and Set designer  
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[Stefan Ruzowitzky](#), Director  
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[Guillaume Malandrin](#), Screenwriter and Director  
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[Jaco Van Dormael](#), Screenwriter and Director  
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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  
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Tom Novembre, Composer, Singer and Actor  
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  
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Xavier Veilhan, Plastic artist  
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Guy Le Querrec, Photographer  
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Knut Boeser, Screenwriter  
Fred Breinersdorfer, Screenwriter  
Prof. Peter F. Bringmann, Director  
Dr. Rainer Fabich, Composer, Music Producer  
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 Lüscho, 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  
Dr. Ralf Weigand, Composer and Music producer  
Christian Wagner, Director  
Eva Wehrum, Screenwriter and Producer  
Hans Werner, Director  
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László Cselényi, Film director and Editor  
György Dobray, Director

Zsolt Gyökössi, Theatre and television director and Writer

Gábor Herendi, Film director and Screenwriter

Zoltán Hevér, Director

István Juhász F., Screenwriter and Dramaturge

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Gyula László Váradi, Music historian and Director

Éva Pataki, Writer, Screenwriter and Film director

Krisztina Rényi, Graphic artist

Győző Sárkány, Graphic artist

Nóra Simon, Dubbing dramaturge

Ágnes Szalkai-Lőrincz, Dubbing dramaturge and AV translator

Orsolya Székely, Producer and Director

György Szomjas, Director

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 Performer

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, Performer and Conductor

Roland Wiltgen, Composer

## Netherlands

Karin Bloemen, Actress, Singer and Lyricist

Jet Boeke, Illustrator

Koos Breukel, Photographer

Merlijn Doomernik, Photographer

Barry Hay, Composer, Artist

Micha Hamel, Composer

Ilvy Njiokiktijien, Photographer

Ruben Oppenheimer, Cartoonist

Pim Ras, Photographer

Freek van den Bergh, Photographer

Ruud van Empel, Fine artist

Eric van Tijn, Producer

## Poland

Urszula Dudziak, Vocalist

Agnieszka Holland, Director and Screenwriter

Jan A. P. Kaczmarek, Composer

Marek Kościkiewicz, Vocalist, Songwriter and Music producer

Pawel Pawlikowski, Director

Jan Pospieszalski, Composer and Musician

Piotr Rubik, Composer

Maria Sadowska, Director and Vocalist

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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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Judita Csáderová, Photographer  
Dušan Dušek, Writer and Screenwriter  
Elena Flašková, Translator  
Peter Gála, Graphic designer, Photographer and Illustrator  
Martin Kellenberger, Painter, Illustrator and Graphic artist  
Jana Kirschner, Singer and Songwriter  
Daniel Kollár, Writer  
Monika Kompaníková, Writer and Artist  
Uršula Kovalyk, Writer  
Katarína Kubošiová (Katarzia), Singer, Songwriter  
Peter Lipa, Singer, Songwriter  
Vašo Patejdl, Singer and Songwriter  
Marián Puobiš, Screenwriter and Translator  
Ondrej Šulaj, Screenwriter, Director and Playwriter  
Miroslav Žbirka, Singer and Songwriter

## Slovenia

Aleš Belak, Cinematographer  
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Rok Biček, Director and Screenwriter  
Marko Brdar, Cinematographer  
Janez Burger, Director and Screenwriter  
Špela Čadež, Animation director and Screenwriter  
Jure Černec, Cinematographer  
Radovan Čok, Cinematographer  
Jan Cvitkovič, Director and Screenwriter  
Klemen Dvornik, Director and Screenwriter  
Nejc Gazvoda, Director and Screenwriter  
Karpo Godina, Cinematographer, Director and Screenwriter  
Jurij Gruden, Director and Screenwriter  
Darko Herič, Cinematographer  
Zoran Hochstätter, Cinematographer  
Miha Hočevar, Director and Screenwriter  
Matjaž Ivanišin, Director and Screenwriter  
Ven Jemeršič, Cinematographer  
Janez Kališnik, Cinematographer  
Miha Knific, Director and Screenwriter  
Marko Kočever, Cinematographer  
Damjan Kozole, Director and Screenwriter  
Lev Predan Kowarski, Cinematographer  
Matej Križnik, Cinematographer  
Janez Lapajne, Director and Screenwriter  
Mitja Ličen, Cinematographer

Rado Likon, Cinematographer  
Andrej Lupinc, Cinematographer  
Matevž Luzar, Director and Screenwriter  
Luka Marčetić, Director and Screenwriter  
Ivan Marinček, Cinematographer  
Igor Meglič, Cinematographer  
Urša Menart, Director and Screenwriter  
Matjaž Mrak, Cinematographer  
Marko Naberšnik, Director and Screenwriter  
Rok K. Nagode, Cinematographer  
Jure Nemec, Cinematographer  
Sven Pepeonik, Cinematographer  
Valentin Perko, Cinematographer  
Jure Pervanje, Cinematographer and Director  
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Metod Pevec, Director and Screenwriter  
Simon Pintar, Cinematographer  
Sonja Prosenč, Director and Screenwriter  
Nejc Saje, Cinematographer  
Marko Šantić, Director and Screenwriter  
Darko Sinko, Director and Screenwriter  
Hanna Slak, Director and Screenwriter  
Miloš Srdić, Cinematographer  
Martin Srebotnjak, Director and Screenwriter  
Sašo Štih, Cinematographer  
Janez Stucin, Cinematographer  
Simon Tanšek, Cinematographer  
Miha Tozon, Cinematographer  
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Alfonso Albacete, Painter  
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Carla Andrade, Painter  
Olatz Arroyo Abaroa, Screenwriter  
Carlos Clavijo Cobos, Director and Screenwriter  
Borja Cobeaga Eguillor, Director and Screenwriter  
Isabel Coixet, Director and Producer  
Ignacio Faerna García-Bermejo, Screenwriter  
Verónica Fernández Rodríguez, Screenwriter  
José Freixanes, Painter  
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Juan Genovés, Painter  
Luis Gordillo, Painter  
Joaquín Górriz Portella, Screenwriter  
Rafael Levenfeld, Photographer  
Robert Llimós, Painter  
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Eva Lootz, Painter  
Chema Madoz, Photographer  
Óscar Mariné, Designer

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[Juan Luis Moraza](#), Installations and performances  
[Antón Patiño](#), Painter  
[Esther Pizarro](#), Installations and performances  
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[Francisco Javier Royo Fernandez](#), Screenwriter  
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[Malorie Blackman](#), Writer  
[Tony Bradman](#), Writer  
[Tracy Chevalier](#), Writer  
[Wendy Cope](#) OBE, Writer  
[Poppy Corbett](#), Theatre writer  
[Maureen Duffy](#), Writer  
[Stella Duffy](#) OBE, Writer and Theatre author  
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[Piers Haggard](#), Director  
[Joanne Harris](#), Writer  
[Victoria Horn](#), Songwriter  
[Shirley Hughes](#), Writer  
[Peter Kosminsky](#), Writer, Director and Producer  
[Jane Lamacraft](#), Screenwriter  
[Phil Manzanera](#), Composer and guitarist  
[Roger Michell](#), Director  
[Sir Alan Parker](#), Director and Screenwriter

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[Michael Ridpath](#), Writer  
[Anne Rooney](#), Writer  
[Cath Senker](#), Writer  
[Nick Sharratt](#), Writer and Illustrator  
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[Ali Smith](#), Writer  
[Joan Smith](#), Writer  
[Steve Smith](#), Director  
[Adrian Sterling](#), Writer  
[Charles Sturridge](#), Writer and Director  
[Delyth Thomas](#), Director and Producer  
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