

## EDiMA statement ahead of Plenary vote on JURI Committee copyright Mandate

Tomorrow, MEPs will vote on whether to support the copyright Directive as voted by the Legal Affairs committee or to overturn it. EDiMA strongly recommends overturning it as the concerns expressed by [the UN](#), the [European Data Protection Supervisor](#) and huge swathes of civil society have not been taken into account. Nor have the concerns expressed by EDiMA.

Today, I ask each MEP to step away from sides in this discussion and to look at the broader picture. Regardless of your viewpoint on the copyright Directive, it is clear that the debate has not been concluded. The sheer magnitude of activity from each side is testament to that. Pertinent issues remain to be addressed and MEPs should take the time to do that.

Yesterday, the European Data Protection Supervisor recommended that “the co-legislator continue to reflect carefully”. I would like to add my voice to that recommendation.

I encourage all MEPS to vote to overturn the mandate so that discussions can continue, and all voices can be heard. This debate is important enough that it merits all the representatives of EU citizens to have a voice not just the 14 MEPs who voted for this Directive in the JURI Committee.



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