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### SPEECH OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE AUDIOVISIUAL MEDIA AUTHORITY

Honourable Speaker of the Albanian Parliament,

Honourable members of the Parliamentary Committee on Education and Media,

### Honourable Members of the Albanian Parliament,

The year 2021 followed an unusual year for the society in general and, consequently, for the audio and audio-visual operators in our country. The situation and consequences caused by COVID-19 pandemic were present in the activity of each and every one of us and our institutions too. During the last year, a great appreciation goes to all audio-visual media service providers, by demonstrating readiness to the free broadcasting of notifications by the health authority, as part of the information and public awareness campaign under unprecedented circumstances, with direct impact to coping with the COVID – 19 consequences. Furthermore, audio and audio-visual operators committed to the continuous informing of the epidemiological situation in the country and the measures to be taken into account by the public.

The Audio-visual Media Authority, for the first time since its establishment, 21 years ago, has been engaged in monitoring the media coverage, by audio-visual media service providers, of the election campaign for the general parliamentary elections of April 25, 2021. Performing this task can definitely be considered a successful process, not only due to the fact that AMA reports served as a reference source for domestic and international observers reports, but, above all, because there was no contradiction regarding the findings of the audio and audio-visual operators.

In implementation the duties and functions of AMA, set forth in Law no. 97/2013, in AMA's Strategy and Action Plan 2021-2023, AMA has continued monitoring the audio-visual broadcasting contents by the audio-visual media service providers. Due to pandemic, increased attention has been paid to broadcasting on this topic, focusing on drug advertisements, or addressing health issues in general.

Protection of children from inappropriate content has continued to be one of our priorities in monitoring audio-visual broadcasting. Moreover, we are engaged in comprehensive activities, in order to exchange experiences and opinions on the latest developments in this field, but also the need to better serve the public and especially children, through audio/audio-visual broadcasting. Therefore, during the reporting year we organized an international conference on "Protection of children in audio-visual media". This conference which was attended by experts from Great Britain, Belgium, Germany, as well as professors and experts in the field from the country and the region, served as a good platform for thinking and exchanging information on improving our work, but, above all, on norms and values to be taken into account when reporting on children.

AMA has continued the practice of cooperation and support of partners in the audio and audio-visual sector in our country, to interact with the public in conducting measurements and studies of the level of

its know-how, expectations and requirements. With the support of AMA, a series of publications have been translated into Albanian which serve the researchers of the field, pedagogical staff, students and the interested public.

The release of the 700 MHz frequency band (Digital Dividend 2), has received special attention during the reporting year. AMA is fully committed for this process, which should be concluded within June 2022, through developing an agenda of bilateral meetings with neighbouring countries in the region, as well as roundtables and discussions with all stakeholders within the country. At the end of last year, AMA approved the Digital Frequency Plan at the end of last year (not including the 700 MHz band) for digital terrestrial audio-visual broadcasting in the Republic of Albania and initiated the process of coordination of the UHF band with neighbouring countries, a process that is still ongoing.

A special focus, during the reporting year, has been paid to strengthening cooperation with counterpart institutions in the region and with international organizations to which AMA adheres.

Regarding the complaints received by the institution from individuals, associations and civil society organizations, it is worth noting that there has been a high influx. In contrast to the previous year where the institution received 120 complaints, during this year we have reviewed over 300 complaints. In addition to complaints, AMA has followed a proactive policy in approaching the audio-visual media service providers regarding obligations implementation provided by law and the Broadcasting Code.

The annual report we are presenting to you, shows the detailed work of AMA, during 2021, based on specific objectives and institutional functions, pursuant to the applicable legal framework.

AMA will continue its work, with dedication and professionalism, in fulfilling its role and mission as a regulatory authority of audio and audio-visual broadcasting in our country.

Thank you for your attention!

### INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the duties and functions of AMA, set forth in Law no. 97/2013, in AMA's Strategy and Action Plan, for 2021-2023, as well as in fulfilment of the European Union and Albanian Parliament recommendations, during 2021, AMA is fully committed to serve the Albanian society through regulating, supporting and promoting a responsible and quality audio-visual market.

In 2021 the situation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic was improved, however, AMA has continued to monitor the implementation of measures and protocols of the Ministry of Health in order to prevent the spread of the virus caused by COVID-19, among the media staff working in newsrooms and recording and broadcasting studios, as well as the enforcement of the restriction on public participation in live or recorded audio-visual programs.

It is worth mentioning that all audio-visual media service providers have demonstrated readiness in broadcasting free of charge the announcements of the Health Authority, as part of the information and awareness campaign of citizens in unusual conditions, thus directly affecting in the process of coping with the consequences of COVID-19. The newsrooms of the audio-visual media service providers, during the reporting period, are engaged, through reporters, to provide continuous information regarding the epidemiological situation in our country, but also by addressing and analysing various aspects related to current events and challenges in coping with the pandemic. AMA has continued to maintain a proactive approach by communicating on a case-by-case basis with the operators regarding the compliance with the obligations arising from law 97/2013, as amended, pertaining to reports, conversations and debates in the studio, various TV shows in relation to conveying messages which provide accurate and exhaustive information about the situation in order to avoid the distribution of panic among the population.

In the process of audio-visual broadcast content monitoring, AMA has focused more, during 2021, on drug advertisements, as well as health-related TV shows. The situation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has increased the programming time by audio-visual media service providers for health-related aspects. Starting from the interest on the protection of the citizens from the abuses with broadcasting on this topic, AMA has conducted reviews with a focus on drug advertisements, or the treatment of health issues in general. For cases of hidden advertisements, when the requirements of the regulation "On audio and/or audio-visual commercial communications, the forms, conditions and allowed time limit for the broadcasting of advertisements" have not been implemented, as well as the applicable legal framework that regulates drug advertisement, AMA has issued a warning to the audio-visual media service providers, as well as has been in constant communication with the National Agency of Drugs and Medical Devices. Protection of children from inappropriate content has continued to be the focus of audio-visual content monitoring.

AMA has periodically asked the audio-visual media service providers to cover, in a precise, impartial and objective way, the topics related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Highly appreciating the role and contribution of audio-visual newsrooms, in the broadcast content on current events and analysis on the situation treatment, AMA has invited them to take into account the public interests, balance in presenting opinions, establishing spaces for genuine experts of the field. AMA, as a regulatory authority, has sought to avoid phenomena such as confusion or distortion of confirmed scientific results, has promoted

the expansion/balancing of the presentation of ideas and opinions, avoiding debate forums only with non-experts of the field, which create uncertainty and distrust of audio-visual program followers.

For the first time, in 21 years of activity, AMA was directly engaged in monitoring the media coverage of audio-visual media service providers, during election campaign for the general parliamentary elections of April 25, 2021. In the past, AMA made its monitoring infrastructure available to CEC. Monitoring election campaign coverage can definitely be considered a successful process, not only due to the fact that AMA reports served as a reference source for domestic and international observers reports, but, above all, because there was no contradiction regarding the findings of the audio and audio-visual operators.

Since March 2021, AMA has exercised its administrative activity with 4 members, 3 out of whom have terminated their mandates. This fact has created a deadlock in AMA's work, due to the impossibility of adopting decisions which require a qualified majority (5 votes).

Referring to the legal provisions, AMA issues and revokes licenses and authorizations by qualified majority. The lack of the necessary legal quorum has enabled decision-making on licensing, renewal and revocation of licenses/authorizations.

AMA, despite the lack of full membership, has continued to exercise the competencies and functions assigned by the organic law, for issues within the scope of competence, such as completing the sub-legal framework, monitoring program content, reviewing various requests to AMA, continuing various administrative proceedings, review of applications and requests for obtaining a license/authorization, etc.

In October 2021, AMA held the International Conference on "Protection of children in audio-visual media". The conference was perceived and organized in three discussion panels. There were experts from Great Britain, Belgium, Germany as well as professors and experts of the field from the country and the region.

The development of activities has been a challenge for 2021, as the fear of spreading of Covid-19 virus and government measures to reduce gathering have reduced the organization of indoor activities and the attendance of many participants. Despite these obstacles, AMA has developed a series of activities and meetings with counterparts/interest groups or collaborators in compliance with COVID-19 protocol.

AMA, during 2021, has continued the practice of cooperation and support of partners in the audio and audio-visual sector in our country. The Audio-visual Media Authority has funded a number of projects, some of which have consisted in publishing books or brochures. The latest publications, which have been added to AMA library and all stakeholders, are as follows: "Technology of audio/audio-visual broadcasting in the digital world"; Post-Truth: "The new struggle against the truth and how to respond to it; "Journalism in Democracy"; "History of the media - from the beginning to the present day"; "Online political communication - how to use the web to build consensus and boost participation?"; "Albanological Studies -Conventional journalism in front of new audiences; "Adjustment of the maximum volume level in audio-"Misinformation/Fake News" (identification broadcasting": of problems disinformation/fake news in audio-visual media); "The broadcasting code and young people, how much and how well do they recognize it

"; "Various study materials on frequency management"; "COVID-19: Addressing the impact of disinformation and conspiracy theories through media and information education"; "Media and Elections - Challenges in Albania, Kosovo, Northern Macedonia".

The Audio-visual Media Authority is part of the Alliance Against Hate Speech, which consists of four institutions and a non-profit organization. During 2021, Alliance Against Hate Speech has continued meetings and discussions on the phenomenon of hate speech and its consequences in society. Also, in cooperation with the Commissioner for Protection from Discrimination, an awareness campaign has been undertaken to challenge hatred and discrimination in the media, in order to raise awareness of as many actors or elements of Albanian society.

In the framework of the measures taken to release the 700 MHz frequency band (Digital Dividend 2), which must be concluded within June 2022 (referring to the decisions of international organizations) AMA, during the reporting period, has been highly engaged, participating in bilateral meetings with Montenegro and Northern Macedonia, Greece, Croatia, Kosovo and other neighbouring countries, to inform them about the changes that have occurred in the new Albanian Digital Frequency Plan, as well as to request their full commitment in speeding up the coordination procedures.

In November 2021, AMA approved the Digital Frequency Plan (not including the 700 MHz band) for digital terrestrial audio-visual broadcasting in the Republic of Albania and in implementation of this decision, initiated the coordination process of UHF band with neighbouring countries, a process that is still ongoing.

Special attention was paid to the technical assets' improvement at the monitoring studio/archive. During 2021, installing new equipment became possible for the registration of audio entities, throughout the country. Thanks to this investment, AMA can now follow, in real time, the entirety of programs broadcasted by all local, regional or national FM audio entities. Also, during elections, investments were made in the data processing sector to monitor the electoral processes, enabling the software purchase for the quantitative data processing of broadcasting audio and audio-visual entities. The program was developed on the basis of the Central Election Commission requests and recommendations, in the Methodology for election monitoring.

Pursuant to the Albanian Parliament recommendations, during 2021, AMA has concluded 2 cooperation agreements with institutions, whose working aspects are related to AMA's scope, in order to establish areas and facilitate work coordination methods.

The Audio-visual Media Authority and the Electronic and Postal Communications Authority signed, on 03.11.2021, the Memorandum of Cooperation in order to guarantee and uphold the operational, technical and legal support in areas of common interest for both parties.

Moreover, a Memorandum of Understanding "On inter-institutional cooperation and interaction" has been signed between the Polytechnic University of Tirana and the Audio-visual Media Authority (AMA). In implementation of this agreement, on 07.06.2021, there was signed the Service Contract between the parties with the object "Attendance/Participation in ITU study groups, which address regulatory, technical, audio/audio-visual broadcasting issues". This material will assist AMA in preparing for the issues to be discussed and approved at the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) which

will take place in 2023, issues on which the Albanian administration, as a full member of the ITU, will have the right to decision-making.

In particular focus, during the reporting year, there has been the strengthening of cooperation between counterpart institutions, in the region and beyond. In this regard, AMA representatives have participated, during 2021, in more than 37 conferences, meetings, roundtables inside and outside the country, with counterparts and collaborators on topics related to AMA's activity. Furthermore, during 2021, AMA, likewise in previous years, has maintained constant contacts with counterparts, in the framework of participation in European or regional audio-visual media organizations, such as EPRA, ERGA, BRAF, MNRA, REFRAM, etc.

The Chairperson of the Audio-visual Media Authority, Armela Krasniqi, in July, held an introductory meeting with OSCE High Representative on Freedom of the Media, Vienna, Mrs. Teresa Ribeiro. During this meeting, Krasniqi focused on the main pillars of AMA's activity, such as the protection and rights of children, protection of journalists, copyright, the transposition of the EU directive AVMS 2018/1808 and other media space, which require constant attention.

The Complaint Committee at the Audio-visual Media Authority, even during 2021 and the continuation of the pandemic created by Covid-19, in fulfilment of tasks, defined objectives, commitments and recommendations of the Albanian Parliament, has continued to observe the implementation of the Broadcasting Code and regulations approved by AMA.

Throughout the reporting period, the Complaint Committee reviewed over 300 complaints, received from individuals, associations and civil society organizations. Most of concerns and complaints received had as their object the violation of human rights, legal and ethical norms, violation of children's rights, violation of dignity, as well as some additional complaints against social networks, portals and newspapers.

Upon reviewing the complaints, the Complaint Committee has sent a warning to operators in 22 cases; in two cases the Complaint Committee has asked them to change the broadcast schedule for two TV series, in compliance with the provisions of the Broadcasting Code. Operators responded quickly, thus taking into account the compliance with the Broadcasting Code requirements and ethical norms.

### 1. AMA's STRATEGY

AMA's strategy and Action Plan have been approved by AMA with Decision no. 94, dated 14.10.2020.

The Action Plan sets out AMA's strategic objectives for 2021-2023, taking into account the fact that there are objectives that extend over time, as they coincide with AMA's ongoing processes, due to new developments, amendments or improvements in the legal framework. AMA's strategic goals, which will cover the three-year period 2021-2023, are associated with specific objectives, as follows:

### 1. Ensuring and promoting diversity and pluralism:

- a. Creating facilities in providing a pluralist view of media and reflecting the values, aspirations and the Albanian society identity, through the promotion of democratic debate and inclusion.
- b. Stimulating the promotion of the qualitative audio-visual program production in Albanian, as well as ensuring the increase of the variety of audio-visual services by public and private audio-visual media service providers.
- c. Pluralism protection by the AMA, through observance strengthening and regulation of broadcasting services, licensing agreements for the audio-visual media service providers, and, in particular, issues of ownership and control of the audio-visual media service providers.

### 2. Improving the quality and effectiveness of the observance and regulatory role:

- a. Improving the implementation of broadcasting codes and rules, recognizing and meeting regulatory challenges, respectively amending and drafting legislation, in addition to rapid technological changes, in compliance with EU legislation, as well as the ways and forms of their implementation in practice.
- b. Reactivating AMA's initiative and full coordination, with all institutional factors, in fighting against piracy and on the protection of copyright.
- c. Continuing the Service Contract implementation observation related to RTSH, promoting its further development by guaranteeing fair competition, in accordance with the criteria provided by law.

### 3. Proactive approach to responsible audio-visual broadcasting:

- a. Designing and implementing a range of activities that promote media education, promoting audience ability to evaluate and understand audio-visual content, in an evolving media environment.
- b. Conducting, organizing, supporting and promoting research, including collaboration with the public, transmitters and other stakeholders, to involve actively in audio-visual broadcasting regulation issues.

### 4. Capacity building and good governance:

- a. Increasing the regulatory authority transparency and accountability, by strengthening the public credibility, by implementing open and controllable processes and procedures, as well as by publishing clear and periodic reports on its work, with special attention to the process of monitoring complaints.
- b. Continuing to mitigate the bureaucratic burden, for entities that AMA licenses/authorizes, looking for more efficient ways to achieve its goals.
- c. Capacity building of the institution through training the current staff or through exchange of good practices with regional, European regulatory authorities, etc.
- d. Improving the use of information technology, to avoid potential risks from attacks or unauthorized access to ICT system, as well as increasing efficiency and public access.

### 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENATIONS ISSUED IN THE PARLIAMENT RESOLUTION FOR AMA'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021

1) Following successful completion of the digitalization process in the Republic of Albania, AMA should follow the concerns of local operators, in order to find appropriate solutions to the problems raised by local operators.

The problems of local operators have been part of the recommendations addressed to AMA in previous annual reports, problems which derived mainly from the digitalization process.

Some of the problems and issues raised by the representatives of local operators, in the meetings held and in written communications, are related to high charges and unsupported costs applied by the Albanian Radio Television (RTSH) for support in the digital network, their review, bureaucratic procedures for the process of partial financial compensation (pursuant to Law no. 34/2017 "On the release of the Digital Dividend band", amended), distribution of state advertisement, provision of local frequency in each allotment, copyright fees, change of service delivery area due to support of their programs on private national broadcasting networks, etc.

As reported by us, in the periodic and annual reports, in the meetings held by AMA, in order to find solutions to problems raised by operators, there were invited to participate local operators, the public operator and representatives of the Committee on Education and Media.

Regarding the support charges in RTSH digital network, we emphasize that in article 122, of Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, provides that support charges in the digital network, which should be drafted based on the principles of transparency, proportionality and non-discrimination, proposed by RTSH and approved by AMA.

RTSH, in response to AMA's requests, has informed that the process of reviewing support charges shall be carried out following the completion of analogue broadcasting throughout the territory of the Republic of Albania, noting that the rates calculation will be based on costs real commissioning of RTSH network, contrary to charges applied so far.

AMA had planned to start the charge review process by RTSH, given that, at the end of 2020, the process of digitalization of audio-visual broadcasts was completed. Meanwhile, in the framework of DD2 band release process, at the end of the technical assistance provided by the ITU, in cooperation with the Hungarian regulatory authority, AMA approved on November 26, 2021 the new digital frequency plan (excluding the DD2 band).

As the DD2 band release process will be accompanied by changes in the license conditions of local/regional/national operators, such as changing the service area, changing the technical parameters of the broadcasting and, consequently, changing the financial obligations, AMA assesses that the charge review process to be undertaken following the completion of DD2 band release process, which is set forth in the applicable by-laws, on June 30, 2022.

Moreover, in support of local/regional operators, AMA has continued the implementation of Law no. 34/2017, as amended. Given that some analogue entities have not relied on digital networks or for other reasons, stipulated by law, their licenses have been revoked or invalidated, AMA has reviewed the number of beneficiary entities, a review which was accompanied by an extension of their compensation period from 6.46 months to about 7.8 months.

Regarding the distribution of state (public) advertisements, local operators have been informed that Law no. 97/2013, as amended, does not provide rules or criteria on the manner of procurement of state advertisements. The performance of state advertisements procurement procedures is performed by every public institution.

The procurement process is based on the Decision of the Council of Ministers, no. 1195, dated 05.08.2008 "On the purchase, development, production and co-production of programs or advertisements for broadcasting by radio and television operators or publication in the print media, and for contracts, for broadcasting time, by state administration bodies".

In order to address this issue, AMA, in the annual report of AMA's activity for 2020, has submitted to the Parliament the possibility of reviewing/amending the legislative framework regarding state advertisements.

Regarding the request of local operators to be equipped with frequencies for the establishment of local/regional networks, AMA has, in every meeting and communication with these operators, indicated that the frequency channels which, based on the digital frequency plan, belong to local/regional operators in certain allotments (Kukës, Elbasan, Korçë, Gjirokastër) are 700 MHz band channels (known as the DD2 band). Based on international decisions, this frequency band must be released from use for audio-visual services as it will be switched to use for mobile services. Under these conditions, it is currently impossible to build local/regional digital networks.

Local/regional operators have applied to be provided with a national license for digital audio-visual broadcasting, with VHF band frequency and AMA, in written correspondence, has indicated that based on the broadcasting capacities, which are obtained from the digital frequency plan of Albania, determines their use and exploitation manner. In the case of planned frequencies for 1 national coverage (11 allotments) in the VHF band, AMA has not yet approved the administrative decision for their use, whether they will be used for local (up to one district), regional (up to 4 districts) or national coverage. In the meetings held, entities were informed that this frequency band is not used for digital television broadcasting, in any European country.

One of the issues raised by the Association of Cable and Wave Broadcasters is the constant change of charges, by the S.U.A.D.A. against cable operators, whenever the latter makes changes to its management structures.

Although setting and approving charges is not AMA's responsibility, AMA, in the role of audio-visual services regulatory authority and a stakeholder in this process will soon

coordinate the development of a joint roundtable in order to review the possibilities on finding final solutions.

Moreover, the Association of Cable and Wave Broadcasters has, in writing and in the meetings held, requested the mediation of AMA with OSHEE, which asks the cable operators to remove their cables from the power poles.

AMA has, with letter Prot. no. 2382/1, Dated 08.09.2020, conveyed this concern of the Association to the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, as well as the Ministry of State for the Protection of Entrepreneurship.

On the other hand, AMA, in order to facilitate the activity of audio/audio-visual entities, with letter Prot. no. 3604, Dated 10.11.2021, has requested OSHEE to hold a meeting in order to discuss, analyse the local operators request and find solutions.

2) To contribute to the transposition process in the national legislation of the EU Directive 2010/13 / EU "On the coordination of certain provisions provided by law, regulations or administrative acts in the Member States, regarding the provision of voice and image broadcasting service", which has undergone changes at the end of 2018. These changes, among others, aim at better protection of minors, new rules for online platforms, changes in the rules of commercial communications.

In the framework AMA's contribution in the transposition process of the EU Directive 2018/1808, in the capacity of the Regulatory Authority of audio/audio-visual services in the Republic of Albania, AMA has carried out a preliminary work in order to familiarize with the amendments to Directive 2010 / 13 "On the audio and video media service for audio-visual media".

The main amendments in the AVMS Directive are related to including the scope of its implementation of video sharing platforms, definition of obligations of providers of video sharing platforms, reviewing obligations for on-demand audio-visual service providers (on demand service), reviewing rules for audio-visual broadcasters to protect minors from harmful content, etc. This document also addresses a number of other issues such as the promotion of co-regulation and self-regulation through codes of conduct, especially regarding to minors' protection against commercial communications, rules on increasing the transparency of ownership of audio-visual media service providers. A special room is dedicated to providing access to information for people with sensory disabilities.

Recognizing the importance of transposing this directive, in fulfilment not only of the international obligations related to the EU integration process of our country, but also in the context of improving the national legal and sub-legal framework in the field of audio/audio-visual media, AMA, with letter Prot. no. 2682, Dated 06.08.2021, was addressed to Parliament and line Ministry for initiating the transposition process of Directive 2018/1808. Referring to changes brought about this Directive, the transposition process requires the involvement of other institutions, for certain issues.

Following AMA's request and on the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE) proposal with letter Prot. no. 6144/1, Dated 17.09.2021, as well as in the framework of reviewing the National Plan for European Integration (PKIE) for 2020-2024, there were held two meetings with AMA and other institutions representatives at MIE, which may be affected by amendments of Directive 2010/13/EU, such as the Ministry of Finance and Economy, the Ministry of Culture, the Consumer Protection Commission, etc. This refers to the fact that the changes brought about by this Directive affect other institutions sphere of action of other institutions on certain issues.

Following the end of the meetings it was agreed on the partial transposition of this Directive, adding, in Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, some of the articles of the directive, which amend/improve it, are as follows: protection of children, access to media for people with disabilities, issues of jurisdiction, promotion of European works, etc. Meanwhile, the regulation of the activity of video sharing platforms that is a service which, currently, is not regulated in the domestic legislation, has been postponed to another occasion, as it is needed a broader discussion with some institutions involved in this process, in order to define the relevant competencies and responsibilities.

The partial transposition of the Directive is planned in PKIE 2022-2024, to be carried out in the fourth quarter of 2022.

AMA, in its capacity of the regulatory authority has identified the applicable provisions of Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, related to protection of children, advertisements, jurisdiction, accessibility of persons with disabilities, etc., which are affected by the amendments of Directive (EU) 2018/1808.

Meanwhile, MIE received a technical assistance (TAIEX workshop) related to EU countries experiences on the directive 2018/2018 implementation. In the framework of this assistance, in order to familiarize with EU countries best practices, as well as with the problems encountered in these countries during the transposition of the directive 2018/2018, in February 2022 was held a two-day workshop with EU experts.

3) To continue playing a proactive and motivating role in achieving the improvement and strengthening of the protection of journalist's labour rights and social rights in the audio and audio-visual sector, as an important issue with a direct impact on the freedom of media and which is also emphasized in the EC Progress Report.

Regarding to the freedom of media and the rights of journalists, the Audio-visual Media Authority, in its position as regulatory authority in the audio-visual market, has served as a promoter and supporter of policies to regulate the media environment, train young journalists and publish data regarding to market performance. AMA has continued the cooperation with stakeholders in the field of media by organizing and supporting trainings and audio-visual market research.

4) To follow up with the responsible ministries and in cooperation with the Albanian Parliament, solving the lack of sign language interpreters/translators and,

at the same time, to require the implementation of the legal obligation for sign language-based broadcasting, by nationally licensed audio-visual operators, as an obligation that guarantees the right of information for people with sensory disabilities.

The problem of broadcasting for people with sensory disabilities is a recurring problem. Currently, only

the public operator, RTSH, broadcasts a news edition in sign language.

As we have mentioned in previous reports, AMA, considers broadcasting for persons with special sensory disabilities as extremely important,

from 2017 and onwards, AMA has occasional written communications with private audio-visual operators provided with a national license as follows: "Top Channel", "Klan" and "Vizion +" and with public institutions, ministries responsible for education, on training sign language interpreters/ translators, as well as the scientific staff in this field and on issues for people with disabilities.

Given that national operators have raised concerns about the lack of sign language interpreters/ translators, AMA has submitted a letter with Prot. no. 1232, Dated 11.03.2021, to the Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth and Ministry of Health and Social Protection, on promoting and taking further measures to provide audio-visual broadcasting for people with sensory disabilities, by training sign language interpreters/translators.

The response received from the Ministry of Education informs us that "the training of sign language interpreters is in the priority policies of higher education" (Letter Prot. 1565/1, Dated 20.04.2021).

The Complaint Committee will proceed on communicating with the Ministry of Education, emphasizing the need for concrete and quick steps regarding to solving this issue, which is extremely sensitive for "people with sensory disabilities".

5) To give its concrete contribution in the approximation with the international standards of the legal requirements for the transparency of the ownership on the media, financing of the media and their limitations, issues which are also emphasized in the EC Progress Report.

Regarding the transparency of media ownership and their financing, AMA, in the capacity of the enforcement authority of the applicable law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, from 2016, publishes the Periodic Bulletin.

Following the end of October 2021, the 7th Edition of the Bulletin was completed, which corresponds to the time period 01.01.2020

– 31.12.2020. In this edition are also included economic, financial, technical and technological indicators, on broadcasted contents, involved human resources, etc. There is also transparency on ownership data in the audio/audio-visual activity, where indicators are published on ownership structuring, concentration of audio-visual media service providers contributors in different branches of industry, as well as ownership participation for each media service provider.

Regarding media funding, the applicable legal and sub-legal framework stipulates those entities that require the provision of a license/authorization to exercise the audio/audio-visual activity, they must, in their application,

deposit the origin and amount of funding provided for the duration of the license/authorization and AMA, during applications review, verifies the financial resources owned by applicants, as well as aspects of entity economic and financial operations.

In cases of rights transfer of the licence holder for audio or audio-visual broadcasting, from one commercial entity to another, AMA requests from the quota buying entity, the legal justifying financial resources for the extent of their purchase (referring to the value of the contract).

AMA has repeatedly emphasized, regarding the ownership restrictions (their review), during reporting, in the framework of drafting contributions for some chapters of the European Union acquis, that it is not the institution in charge for this recommendation.

Regarding the above issues, AMA will continue implementing the functional tasks provided in the organic law and is ready to give its contribution regarding to any initiative on improving/reviewing the legal and regulatory framework.

6) To actively participate, through concrete proposals, in the discussions on legal amendments of Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, both in terms of creating a regulatory framework for online media as a new reality in the media industry and addressing the Venice Commission opinion, to enable that these amendments comply with international standards and media freedom principles.

As reported, both in the annual reports of AMA for 2019 and 2020, and in the periodic reports to the Parliament, the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy have taken legal initiatives, for some additions and amendments to Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, which object is including electronic publishing service providers in the field of implementation of our organic law.

AMA, as a collegial body, with decision no. 169, dated 18.11.2019, has given an opinion on the draft law.

This draft law is currently under review by the Albanian Parliament and AMA will contribute during the review phase at this institution. This review aims to improve the content of the draft law and reflect the in text form the proposals of the Venice Commission.

7) To work on the implementation of the unfulfilled recommendations of the Supreme State Audit, in particular the recommendation regarding to IT operations (Help Desk) for internal and external services in the field of security.

Regarding the implementation of the recommendations unfulfilled by the Supreme State Audit, following the audit conducted at AMA, with subject "Performance of Internet use in Public Administration", as you were previously informed, measures have been taken on establishing restrictions on wireless service access to prevent attacks or unauthorized access to institution's devices; a backup server with optimal parameters is set as the primary server in order to strengthen the information security; there have been created risk registers on ICT infrastructure, as well as documented incidents that occurred during this period and measures taken to solve them; The used internet quantity and quality monitoring used continues, in order to determine the possible needs, etc.

Regarding the purchase of Helpdesk program, where each department will have access to their problems and requirements, and the IT department will proceed with the installation of all configurations in this system, we hereby inform you that in July 2021 the procedure of procurement, which was subsequently cancelled due to deficiencies in the procurement procedure documentation, has been carried out.

AMA reopened the Helpdesk program procurement procedure in October 2021, but this procedure failed too because no offer was submitted in compliance with the requirements set out in the relevant documents. In December 2021, the procurement procedure was reopened and the winning operator was announced at the end of this procedure, with which the service contract for the implementation of the Helpdesk program will be concluded.

8) To continue the efforts on signing the cooperation agreement between AMA and AKEP, for the prevention and/or prohibition of online audio-visual piracy, taking into account the new reality when the media, based on the Internet, have a persistent development and exceptional effect in the media industry.

In the framework of this recommendation, following the recurring written communications between AMA and AKEP, in September 2021 a meeting was held in order to discuss and agree on areas of cooperation of mutual interest between AMA and AKEP.

At this meeting, the parties agreed to sign a memorandum of cooperation, which was signed on November 3, 2021.

The Memorandum sets out co-operation, inter alia, on the following issues:

- Release of the 700 MHz band (DD2 band), from audio-visual broadcasting and transfer to the administration of this band by AKEP, within the deadlines set in national and international acts;
- Establishment of a TASK-FORCE with joint representatives from both institutions in order to fight against illegality in non-copyright broadcasting through electronic communications networks and the development of activity only by entities licensed/ authorized by regulatory authorities;
- Establishment of a joint group, which will continuously follow the problems of interferences caused by entities, whose activity is included in these institutions scope as well as interferences reported by the regulatory authorities of neighbouring countries; etc.
  - 9) To contribute by playing a proactive role in improving public advertising legislation to enable increased transparency in compliance with international best practices, a requirement set out in the EC Progress Report.

We frequently re-emphasize that the provisions of our organic law provide definitions of political and institutional advertising, but do not provide rules or criteria on how to procure such advertisings.

In terms of functional tasks, AMA monitors the entirety of programs broadcast by audio-visual media service providers, whereas the conducting of state advertising procurement procedures is out of the scope of AMA's activity. Such procurements are currently executed independently by each public institution.

AMA has described the above mentioned in more detail in previous periodic reports to the Parliament, as well as in EU reports.

10) AMA shall play a motivating and proactive role in cooperation with relevant stakeholders and factors, enabling the necessary legal improvements for a self-regulatory process; a concern which is also emphasized in various international reports and which has a direct impact on the freedom of media.

Regarding the motivating and proactive role of the AMA within the self-regulation processes, AMA is always ready to support such initiatives by various stakeholders and factors.

## 3. MEASURES TAKEN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS ISSUED BY OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL OR INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS TO AMA

To ombudsman "Recommendation regarding the provision of audio-visual signal service in the village of Strelcë, Gore Administrative Unit, Maliq".

Following this recommendation (Prot. no. 7, Dated 05.01.2021), AMA, has informed the ombudsman as follows:

AMA is the regulatory authority in the field of audio/ audio-visual services that exercises activity based on Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended. One of the main duties that AMA has is the supervision of the service contract implementation related to the Albanian Radio Television (RTSH). The public broadcasting service contract is considered as the act that regulates the relationship between AMA and RTSH, as a public operator, whose mission is to inform, educate and entertain the public, including national minorities. The legal, program and technical issues are regulated in the Public Broadcasting Service Contract document.

AMA, as the regulatory authority of audio/ audio-visual services, monitors the activity of the public operator to be in compliance with law requirements. In this framework, AMA, has continuously monitored the territory coverage and RTSH signals quality and, based on the monitoring conducted, it has resulted those certain areas in the country cannot be covered with digital signal, not providing thus audio-visual service in these areas (including the village of Gore, for which a complaint has been filed).

The monitoring results, in any case, were made known to the public operator and were included in the reports performed by AMA, at the Albanian Parliament and the Committee on Education and Media. AMA has also kept, for any problem related to the public operator, written correspondence and has held joint meetings with RTSH in order to discuss and find appropriate solutions.

Meanwhile, the legal provisions, which regulate RTSH activity, stipulate, inter alia, the obligation of territory with audio-visual service by this operator. Article 121 of the law provides that: "RTSH national programs must cover the territory inhabited by at least 90 percent of the citizens of the Republic of Albania. Within 5 years from the entry into force of this law, at least one of RTSH networks must cover 99 percent of the population".

Thus, the obligation of the public operator is to cover the territory inhabited by at least 90% of the population, while for the part of the population that remains without terrestrial audio-visual service, the legal and sub-legal framework in force stipulates the provision of audio-visual service based on satellite network.

On the Decision of the Council of Ministers no. 292, dated 02.05.2012 "On the approval of the Strategy for the Transition from Analogue to Digital Broadcasting" (attached which the action plan was approved) emphasizes that: ... due to the rough terrain configuration, no Albanian operator

will be able to cover more than 90-95% of the country's territory. Regarding the other part of the territory, satellite coverage will have to be provided, as has been carried out in other countries.

Pursuant to Ombudsman Recommendation, on January 18, 2021, AMA held a meeting with experts, at the technical level, of the public operator. RTSH representative stated, in this meeting, that RTSH, in addition to the service provided on the terrestrial network, also offers 7 programs, based on the satellite network, a service which can be accessed in any area. Under these conditions, the alternative to receiving audio-visual service in areas not covered by terrestrial signal is via satellite.

### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS ISSUED IN THE EU PROGRESS REPORT AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS TO AMA

### Some of the recommendations of the EU progress report for Albania, for 2021 are as follows:

- Legal requirements for media ownership and financing transparency, and its limitations, as well as requirements for state advertising to be comply with the international best practices.
- To ensure the implementation of the Labour Code and strengthen the protection of labour and social rights of Albanian journalists. (Chapter 23).

Regarding the transparency of media ownership and their financing, AMA, in the capacity of the enforcement authority of the applicable law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, from 2016, publishes the Periodic Bulletin.

Data on ownership in the audio/audio-visual activity are also published in AMA's Periodic Bulletin, which is published every year, as a set of economic and financial, technical and technological indicators, on the broadcasted content, the engaged human resources, etc. It includes indicators on ownership structuring, the concentration of audio-visual media service providers contributors in different branches of industry, as well as ownership participation for each media service provider. The 7th edition of the Periodic Bulletin, which is currently in process is included in this line too.

Regarding media funding, the legal framework and the applicable by-laws provide that entities that require a license/authorization to exercise audio/ audio-visual activity, they must submit in their application the origin and amount of funding provided for the license/ authorization duration and AMA, during the review of applications, verifies the financial resources owned by the applicants, as well as the aspects of entities economic and financial operation. In cases of rights transfer of the licence holder for audio or audio-visual broadcasting, from one commercial entity to another, AMA requests from the quota buying entity, the legal justifying financial resources for the extent of their purchase (referring to the value of the contract).

AMA has repeatedly emphasized, regarding the ownership restrictions (their review), during reporting the framework of drafting contributions for some chapters of the European Union acquis, that it is not the institution in charge for this recommendation.

## 5. DATA RELATED TO AMA'S ACTIVITY ON CONDUCTING INSPECTION OR ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION, DECISIONS ON SANCTIONS WITH FINES IN THE LAST YEARS

One of AMA's functional tasks is to verify the observance of the license conditions and/or the authorization by the subjects that exercise audio and/ or audio-visual activities in the Republic of Albania. According to article 78 of Law no. 97/2013, AMA is entitled to exercise control over the program, financial, technical and organizational activity of the license and/or authorization holder. AMA also has the authority to impose decisions on sanctions with fines pursuant to Article 133, "Penalties" for entities violate legal provisions. Sanctions with fines can be imposed by inspectors or by the AMA on their own initiative or upon appeal by interested entities.

During 2021, AMA imposed 15 penalties, undertaken as follows:

- Directorate of Surveillance: 13 decisions on sanctions with fines.
- Legal and Licensing Department: 2 decisions on sanctions with fines.

### Directorate of Surveillance

Regarding the observance of broadcasting rights, AMA has, during 2018 and 2019, conducted a considerable number of inspections of cable entities in the field. During 2020, the number of inspections has been declining, due to COVID-19 pandemic as well as due to subjects declining requests for our intervention. Whereas, in 2021 the number of inspections for audio-visual media service providers entities has doubled compared to the previous year.

AMA has solved all complaints/requests of operators for intervention on non-compliance with the broadcasting right by cable entities, by responding to all complaining entities, as well as taking appropriate measures in case of violations.

The vast majority of complaints about the violation of broadcasting rights, during 2021, are related to the phenomenon of television piracy by "Tibo" sh.p.k. company authorized to repeat the audio-visual program of third parties. The holder of rights, "Digit-Alb" sh.a. company, has repeatedly requested measures to be taken against this operator, as it has announced the termination of the cooperation contract.

The following information is in comparative form for the period 2018-2021:

ENTITY	2018	2019	2020	2021
Digit Alb	11 complaints for 28 subjects	6 complaints for 10 subjects		48 complaints for 8 subjects. 41 complaints are only for the entity TIBO

Tring	05 complaints for 12 entities	2 complaints for 2 entities	18 complaints for 23 entities	4 complaints for 4 entities
Klan	-	-	5 complaints for 5 subjects	9 complaints for 5 subjects. 5 complaints are only for the entity TIBO

Regarding the inspection activity, the Directorate of Surveillance has exercised at AMA, during 2021, through its inspection groups, 118 audits of the activity of the audio-visual media service providers.

Following the audit and review of relevant administrative procedures, the following measures have been taken:

Thirteen (13) decisions on sanctions with fines against the entities of audio-visual media service providers, which have been found in violation of Law no. 97/2013, as amended, out of which:

- 13 sanctions with fines against entities that rebroadcast the service of third parties (cable, IPTV, OTT), 12 fines of which have been upheld by the Council of AMA (three of the fines are subject to reduction) and 1 fine is still within the deadline to be appealed.
- In 12 cases, a warning was issued to the Audio-visual media service providers.

In addition to the above, AMA, upon relevant verifications and reviews, has seized the broadcasting equipment of 3 entities, who exercised audio-visual activity without the licensing or authorization of AMA.

As noted, there is a decline of illegal audio-visual activities, without AMA's licensing or authorization compared to previous years.

The following information is in comparative form with the previous four years:

YEA R	INSPECTIONS	TOTAL FINES (REPEALED)	WARNINGS	SEIZURES
2018	224	27 (10)	49	11
2019	162	19 (5)	22	9
2020	55	5 (2)	13	3
2021	118	13	12	3

In terms of the monitoring activity, the Directorate of Surveillance, during 2021, is focused on monitoring programs on their topics, observance with legal provisions for the broadcasting of advertisements and recording advertising volume on national television, as well as

monitoring free software on terrestrial digital platforms. Also, there was a special focus on monitoring the observance of broadcasting rights for feature films, on various platforms/programs. For 2021, there have been carried out 1056 hours of monitoring of broadcasting rights for feature films.

### Legal and Licensing Department

In order to verify the observance of the legal obligation, the notification to the licensing authority of the changes that occurred in the data for obtaining the license authorization, AMA has, periodically, checked on the official website of the National Business Centre (NBC), the ownership structure of the audio-visual media service providers. During 2019, AMA has initiated an administrative investigation for 6 entities and at the end of administrative proceedings, there were approved changes in the ownership structure for 4 audio/ audio-visual entities, while 1 entity was sanctioned for not providing information on ownership changes. During 2020, AMA has sanctioned 1 subject, with a decision for a fine no. dated 23.12.2020, in the amount of ALL 120,000. This sanction, upon filing an administrative appeal, was repealed by AMA, with decision no. 8, dated 18.01.2021.

During 2021, 5 administrative investigations were initiated and fined for the administrative offence, "Failure to notify the changes that occurred in the license/authorization data", with a fine sanction:

- No. 1, dated 02.03.2021, decided against the company "RRTL-OTT" sh.p.k., authorized to repeat the audio-visual program service based on the IP network, OTT, in the amount of ALL 120,000, repealed by the decision of AMA, no. 50, dated 26.03.2021.
- No. 2, dated 02.03.2021 decided against the company "Selenice Kabllor" sh.p.k., for the subject "Selenice Kabllor", in the amount of ALL 120,000, repealed by the decision of AMA no. 41, dated 11.03.2021.

### Financial performance of sanctions with fines during 2021

ALL

Opening in early 2021	306903197
+ Fine decisions in 2021	17240000
+ Default interest generated in 2021	0
- Obligations settled by fine decisions and generated default interests	2553100
- Fine decisions with repealed fines/reduced amounts/terminated executive title by the bailiff	2360000
Liability at the end of 2021	319230097

The liability amount arising from 15 sanctions with fines, in 2021, is ALL 17,240,000.

The reduction amount in the value of ALL 2,360,000 for "Decisions on sanctions with repealed fines/reduced amounts/terminated executive title by the bailiff" results from:

- With AMA's decision no. 8, Dated 18.01.2021, the sanction with a fine no. 6, dated 23.12.2020, has been repealed in the amount of ALL 120,000.
- With AMA's decisions, there have been repealed 2 (two) decisions of sanctions with fines, of 2021, in the amount of ALL 240,000 ALL, specifically: the sanction with fine no. 1, Dated 02.03.2021 (repealed by decision no. 50, dated 26.03.2021) and the sanction with a fine no. 2 Dated 02.03.2021 (repealed by decision no. 41, Dated 11.03.2021).
- With 2 (two) decisions of AMA, the fine amounts of sanctions are reduced with ALL 2,000,000, specifically: with Decision no. 95, Dated 26.11.2021, the sanction amount with fine no. 12, dated 11.10.2021 and with decision no. 103, Dated 21.12.2021, the sanction amount with fine no. 13, dated 01.11.2021.

### 6. AMA'S GOVERNANCE

### 6.1 Decision making on licenses/authorizations

Since March 2021, AMA has exercised its administrative activity with 4 members, 3 of whom have terminated their mandates, creating an impasse AMA's work, due to the inability to approve decisions that require a qualified majority. (5 votes).

Referring to the legal provisions, AMA issues and revokes licenses and authorizations by qualified majority. The lack of the necessary legal quorum has enabled decision-making on licensing, renewal and revocation of licenses/authorizations. Thus, upon the end of the internal administrative procedures, it is expected that the collegial body will undertake a decision on: 2 initial applications (program service license and analogue audio broadcasting license), 22 audio/ audio-visual entities, out of which 16 applications on authorization renewal and 6 applications on license renewal.

However, despite the exercise of administrative activity not in full membership, AMA, even during the reporting year, has adopted a set of acts and decisions, which have had a positive impact on the field of audio-visual media. Thus, during this year, administrative decisions have been adopted that require a simple majority such as handling and reviewing the complaints of entities sanctioned for administrative offences, approving changes in the data submitted in the application for a license/authorization in accordance with the applicable law. In addition to performing the functions of a collegial body, during the reporting period, other aspects AMA administrative activity play an important role, such as the representation of the institution in lawsuits where AMA is a party, performing various audits and inspections against entities that exercise audio-visual activities, cooperation and consultation with other state bodies.

Also, AMA, based on the competencies given by the organic law, has continued, even during this year, the work to supplement the regulatory framework with secondary legislation, by approving decisions to open licensing procedures, depending on the availability of free technical capacity.

Pursuant to Article 59 of the special law, AMA has opened several competitions for analogue audio broadcasting license. The allocation of broadcasting frequencies by the AMA, in any case, has observed the principles provided by law, such as objectivity, transparency, non-discrimination and the availability of free frequencies. In the framework of transparency and enabling any interested party to participate in the competition process, the opening of each competition has been published on AMA's website and in some press bodies.

At the beginning of 2021, upon reviewing the submitted applications, following the public announcements, AMA:

- By means of Decision No. 3, Dated 18.01.2021, has decided to grant the local license of analogue audio broadcasting, to the company "I.B.C- TELECOM" sh.p.k., for the audio subject "Radio I.B.C", on covering with signal the municipalities of "Shkodër and Vau i Dejës".
- By means of Decision No. 10, dated 02.02.2021, has decided to expand the licensing area of the company "Media New Vizion" sh.p.k., for the audio subject "Radio 1", on covering with signal "Municipalities of Elbasan, Cërrik and Belsh".

- By means of Decision No. 21, dated 16.02.2021, has decided to grant the local license of analogue audio broadcasting, to the company "ABEG" sh.p.k., for the audio subject "Radio ST", on covering with signal "Districts of Tirana and Durrës".

Also, pursuant to Article 60 of the Organic Law, AMA, on its own initiative or upon the request of interested parties, has opened several competitions for the licensing of audio-visual program service, taking into account the existence of free capacity technical in the digital networks of the public operator and local private broadcasting operators.

Specifically:

- AMA by means of Decision no. 155, dated 24.12.2020, opened the competition for the issuance of 1 (one) local license for the service of the general audio-visual program, in Tirana allotment Tirana (Tirana and Durrës districts). Following AMA's notification, the company "Inter Active Media" sh.p.k., (dated January 14, 2021) filed an application, which resulted incomplete and AMA, by means of decision no. 90, dated 09.11.2021, decided to reject the application and not to grant the license for this entity.
- AMA by means of Decision no. 9, dated 02.02.2021, opened the procedure for issuing 1 (one) local license for the service of the audio-visual program and thematic information in Tirana allotment (Tirana and Durrës districts). Following this notification, the company "Evro Media" sh.p.k. filed an application, which was not reviewed by AMA, due to lack of the necessary legal quorum.
- AMA by means of Decision no. 20, dated 05.02.2021, opened the procedure for issuing 1 (one) local license of the general audio-visual program service, "Fier and Vlora Districts", a competition for which no interest was shown.

There was no obstacle regarding the issuance of authorizations for service provision of the audio-visual program, the legal and sub-legal framework of which it is different from the process of issuing licenses, since it has been applied Article 64, point 5, of law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", which stipulates that: "Authorization is granted within 30 days following the receipt of the fulfilled request. Rejection of the application is always made against a grounded decision. If AMA does not grant a decision within the above deadline, following the receipt date of the full application, the authorization is considered approved. Pursuant to this legal provision, 14 audio-visual entities based on cable network, internet, OTT have been authorized (of which 6 are new entities and 8 entities authorized for cable service, which have applied for the expansion of the service delivery area). These authorizations have been issued in April 2021 and onwards, by applying the approval of the non-public made authorizations and other ones and the written notification.

AMA has, in the capacity of the collegial body, through its decision-making, granted authorizations to 2 entities, deciding to expand the service area for 1 entity, and rejecting the application for the expansion area for 2 entities.

One of the license/authorization conditions of the audio-visual media service providers entities is the obligation to notify AMA for changes in the license and authorization data. Based on Article 133, of law no. "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, failure to notify changes in the data of the licensed/authorized entity is an administrative offence punishable by a fine of ALL 120,000 to 2,000,000. This legal obligation intends to inform and familiarize the regulatory authority of any change in the data that the licensed/authorized entity has submitted in the request for obtaining the

license/authorization, such as: changes in ownership, which is one of the most important, changes in the company administration or management, entity name, changes in the program structure, etc.

On the other hand, AMA, mainly on periodic basis, verifies on the official website of the National Business Centre (NBC), the status, the activity object and other data on licensed/authorized entities by AMA. Following the verifications performed, AMA has initiated, on a case-by-case basis, administrative proceedings against the audio-visual media service providers requesting information and legal documentation on changes in the data for license/authorization and on a case-by-case basis by imposing the relevant sanctions.

Meanwhile, 12 licensed/authorized entities have notified AMA of the changes that have occurred in the ownership structure and AMA has further proceeded with the approval of these changes. In most cases, the changes have occurred within the partners structure but there are also cases of transfer of license/authorization rights from one commercial entity to another, or change of the form of commercial entity from a natural person to a legal entity.

### 6.2 The progress of lawsuits

The right to investigate the judicial power, related to the administrative decisions of AMA, by the parties affected by these administrative acts, is an instrument of law, which has made AMA a party in various lawsuits.

Mainly, administrative acts, the legality and foundation of which are the subject of judicial review, are related to administrative penalties against audio and/or audio-visual entities, decisions on revocation/invalidity of the license, etc.

Moreover, AMA has, as a public legal entity, in absence of a voluntary settlement of financial liabilities by the audio-visual media service providers, has investigated the judicial bodies by asking debtor audio-audio-visual entities to settle financial obligations to AMA or the State Budget. AMA has addressed the competent courts in the capacity of the requesting party, as is the case of submitting requests for the issuance of execution orders.

AMA has, during 2021, been involved in 25 lawsuits in the Administrative Court of First Instance, Tirana, out of which:

- a) 11 lawsuits in the capacity of the claimant:
  - Won (7);
  - Lost (1);
  - Rejected (1);
  - In process (2)
- b) 14 lawsuits in the capacity of the respondent party
  - Won (4);
  - Lost (1);

- Rejected (2);
- In process (7).

In addition to the trials of first instance, AMA has continued to follow up trials, which are pending in the Administrative Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court, these cases have been carried forward from previous years.

As in previous years and during the reporting period, the execution of AMA decisions transformed into executive titles, pursuant to Article 132 of the Organic Law, has continued to be carried out through the private bailiff service. For 2021, AMA has entered into service contracts for the execution of 19 executive titles, while during this period the procedures for the execution of titles pursuant to the contracts concluded in previous years have continued.

During the reporting period, 9 debtor entities have settled their liabilities to AMA, out of which:

- 7 were financial liabilities to AMA:
- 2 were liabilities for sanctions with fines.

A concise overview of cases at trial, at the three levels of the judicial system, is given in Annex no. 2, attached.

### 7. AMA AS A REGULATORY AUTHORITY FOR A RESPONSIBLE AUDIO-VISUAL MARKET

### 7.1 Thematic review of broadcast content

During 2021, the thematic reviews of broadcast content focused on the following aspects:

- a. Protection of children from inappropriate content;
- b. hate speech and discrimination;
- c. advertising and commercial communications, in particular for health-related and drug advertising.
- d. on the program bouquet of RTSH, in compliance with the requirements of the Service Contract.

The most obvious phenomenon from these reviews was:

- Identifying ethical violations. They consisted on disturbing images, inappropriate attitudes, influencing guests, etc., as a violation of the requirements of Law 97/2013, as amended, or the Broadcasting Code for audio-visual media, according to which audio-visual broadcasting are in compliance with the personality, dignity and other fundamental human rights and freedoms; and that this activity observes in a special way the rights, the highest child interest, as well as the legal requirements on the protection of children's rights.
- Advertising prohibited broadcasting by program moderators. It is worth mentioning that drugs have been promoted, being in contradiction with the regulation approved on 19.03.2018 "On audio and/or commercial audio-visual communications, forms, conditions and the allowed time limit for the broadcasting of advertisements", specifically by means of article 19, point 10, which specifies that: "During television broadcasting, it is forbidden for the program producers and the participants to advertise drugs."
- Hidden show advertisements on health issues, in violation to the requirements of the regulation "On audio and/or commercial audio-visual communications, forms, conditions and the time limit allowed for the broadcasting of advertisements", specifically Article 19, point 9, which states that: "The media service provider should not broadcast commercial communication, in which the doctor advertises or publicizes drugs, in favour of his personal activity or of an institution in the field of health." Also, in the Broadcasting Code, in session 7, point 7.6, it is stated that: "Advertising on audio-visual broadcasting for drugs is prohibited. It is forbidden for the doctor to deal with advertisements of any kind, except for when they have a scientific and educational purpose".
- Acting in non-compliance with sponsorship requirements. According to law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", amended, in article 45, point 1, letter b: "Sponsored services should not directly promote the purchase or ordering of goods or services, in particular by making special promotions to such goods and services." In point 3, of this article, it is mentioned that: "Sponsorship of audio and audio-visual broadcasting services or programs by companies, persons or enterprises, whose main activity includes production

or the sale of drugs, pharmaceutical products and medical services, may only state the name or show the emblem or other representative type of image of the sponsored entity, but should not advertise drugs, special products or certain medical services provided only with a doctor's prescription."

- Exceeding time for advertising and commercial communications. Based on Article 41 of Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended: "Broadcasting a program on a broadcasting service may involve inserting advertisements and direct sales. The duration of advertisements or live sales should not exceed 12 minutes per broadcasting hour. This does not include the announcements of the media service provider, regarding its programs and ancillary products for these programs, announcements on sponsorship and inclusion of goods in the programs".
- The National Agency of Drugs and Medical Devices, AKBPM, has been notified with official documents, for the identified cases of broadcasting advertisements on drugs that have not met the requirements of the Regulation "On advertising drugs", based on Order no. 25 of the Ministry of Health and Social Protection, dated 17.01.2019. In particular, the violations refer to Article 9, where the mandatory note written form and reading is unclear, which states that: "Before use, read carefully the instructions for use, and consult your pharmacist or doctor about possible risks or side effects."
- Broadcasting political advertising. In one case, there was broadcasted a political advertising (outside the election campaign period), being in violation with article 41, point 2, of law no. 97/2013, as amended, which is deemed prohibited.

The following table also shows the cases when AMA has sent warnings:

No	Violation category	Audio-visual media service providers	Program
1	Broadcasting of political advertising (outside the election campaign period).	NEWS 24	News edition
2	Notice to AKBPM for identification of drug advertising (without prescription).	AKBPM	-
3	Hidden advertising	RTSH	"Trupi dhe shëndeti"
4	Warnings to non-publication of odds-on sports game.	RTSH, KLAN, TOP CHANNEL, VIZION PLUS, DIGITALB, TRING, ADTN, NEWS 24, ORA NEWS, REPORT TV, ABC NEWS, EURONEWS ALBANIA, SYRI TV, FAX NEWS	Sports TV shows

Warnings on compliance with legal requirements and standards for drug advertising.	RTSH, KLAN, TOP CHANNEL, VIZION PLUS, NEWS 24, ORA NEWS, REPORT TV, ABC NEWS, EURONEWS ALBANIA, SYRI TV, FAX NEWS	Advertising spaces	
Broadcasting information and awareness message about the population vaccination campaign	All audio-visual media service providers	Advertising spaces	
Ethical violation. Inappropriate attitudes.	KLAN	"Zonë e lirë"	
Ethical violation. Broadcasting of disturbing images.	NEWS 24	News edition	
Ethical violation. Broadcasting of disturbing images.	ABC NEWS	News edition	
Request for information for AKU on the promotion of products as a food supplement with healing features	AKU	-	
Hidden advertising.	NEWS 24	"Klinika 24"	
Hidden advertising.	ABC NEWS	"Doktor Plastik"	
Ethical violation. Inappropriate attitudes.	FAX NEWS	Interview	
Ethical violation. Inappropriate attitudes	VIZION PLUS	"Quo Vadis"	
Ethical violation. Inappropriate attitudes	ABC NEWS	"T'ka mami yll"	
Prohibited advertising.	TOP CHANNEL	"Fiks Fare"	
Prohibited advertising.	KLAN	"E diela shqiptare"	
Prohibited advertising.	VIZION PLUS	"Fake off"	
Prohibited advertising.	KLAN	"Stop"	
Non-compliance with the advertising space duration.	REPORT TV	-	
Non-compliance with the advertising space duration.	NEWS 24	-	
Ethical violation. Inappropriate attitudes.	TOP CHANNEL	"Për'puthen"	
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23	Ethical violation. Inappropriate attitudes.	KLAN	"Love Story 2"
24	Hidden advertising.	KLAN	"Opinion"
25	Hidden advertising of a private company products.	RTSH, KLAN, TOP CHANNEL, VIZION PLUS, NEWS 24, ORA NEWS, REPORT TV, ABC NEWS, EURONEWS ALBANIA, A2/CNN, SYRI TV, FAX NEWS	News edition

### 7.2 Content monitoring

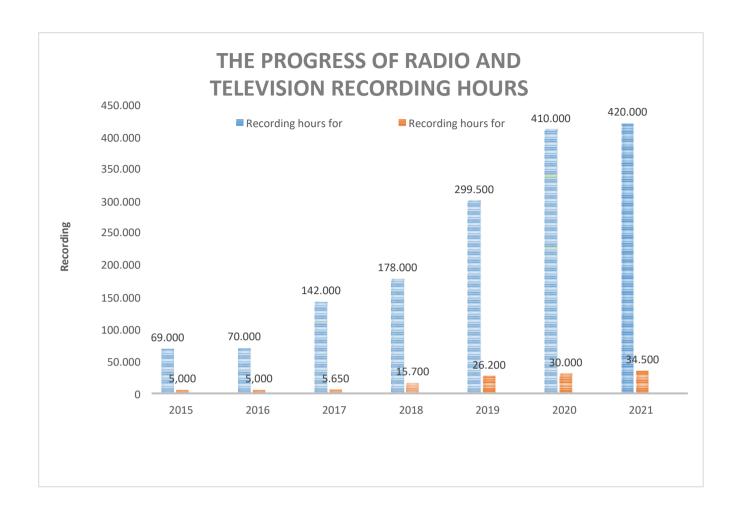
For the monitoring of digital broadcasting in AMA's Monitoring and Archive Studio, in January - December 2021, there were registered 48 recording units, where in addition to audio and audio-visual entities, there were also registered platforms of Digital Satellite, Digital Terrestrial, Tring Satellite, Tring Terrestrial and Vodafone.

In statistical terms, in total, during this year, there have been recorded:

• 420,000 (48\*365\*24) hours of audio-visual broadcasting in digital broadcasting in total and about 34,500 (4\*12\*30\*24) hours of audio broadcasting.

Compared to previous years, the data is as follows:

Yea r	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Recording hours for televisions	69.000	70.000	142.000	178.000	299.500	410.000	420.000
Recording hours for radio	5.000	5.000	5.650	15.700	26.200	30.000	34.500



In addition to audio and audio-visual broadcast recordings, which are part of the Audio-visual Media Authority Archive, the work in the Monitoring Studio focuses on monitoring:

### A. News edition:

News editions, in national audio and audio-visual entities:

About **2,600 news editions** (**1,500** (**4\*365**) editions of national audio-visual entities and **1100** (**3\*365**) editions of national audio entities) were monitored.

The data is demonstrated in Annex no. 1, (monitoring data of the main editions in the national media service provider) attached to this report.

### B. Advertisements;

Advertisements' monitoring in national audio-visual

entities: there are about 25,500 hours of monitored programs.

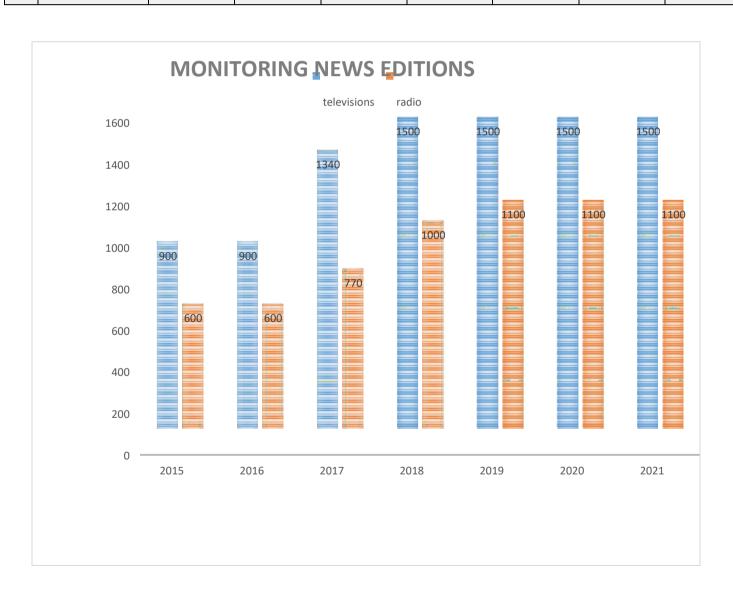
Regarding the monitoring of the main informative editions of the national media service provider, AMA evaluates one edition per day, as the conductor of the editorial line. Quantitative data on time proportionality

regarding the news edition, is published regularly every month on the institution's website, in a special column.

Compared to the previous years, the data is as follows:

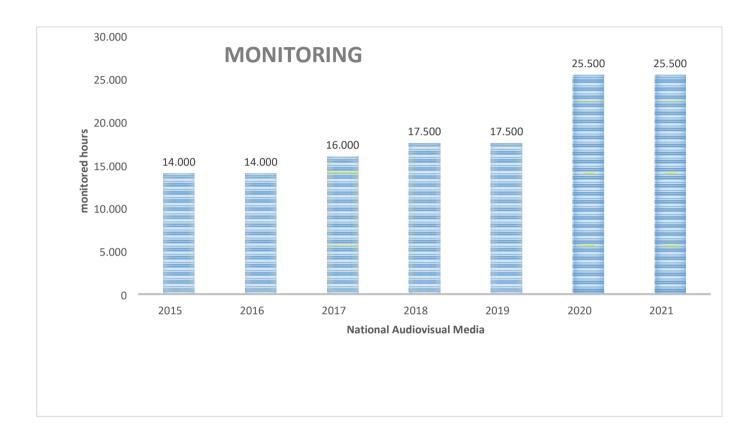
### a. Monitoring news editions

	Media service provider category	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1	Televisions	900	900	1.340	1500	1500	1500	1500
2	Radio	600	600	770	1000	1100	1100	1100



#### b. Monitoring advertisements

	Media service provider category	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1	National audio- visual entities	14.000	14.000	16.000	17.500	17.500	25.500	25.500



#### b. Monitoring the election campaign

For the first time in 21 years of activity, AMA has monitored the media coverage of audio-visual media service providers during the election campaign for the general elections of April 25, 2021. In the past, AMA made its monitoring infrastructure available to CEC.

The amended Electoral Code, in Article 85, stipulates, for the first time, that the monitoring of the election campaign in the audio-visual media is performed by AMA and it is performed in the entire territory where the elections take place. In the implementation of Electoral Code, CEC with decision no. 2, dated 30.01.2021 approved the monitoring methodology of audio and audio-visual media, an act which provides the procedures and techniques to be followed by AMA, during the monitoring of the election campaign.

Before and during the election campaign, AMA has communicated periodically with all audio-visual media service providers (official documents, publications on the official web address, direct contacts, etc.)

informing them regarding the requirements of the Electoral Code and by-laws, approved by CEC, and their implementation importance.

In implementation of Electoral Code obligations on the activities prohibited by CEC, AMA monitored the programs of national and information operators, starting a frequent daily control of CEC official website, with its focus in the "Prohibited activities" column, about 4 months period prior the election date.

During the election process regarding the 2021 parliamentary elections, AMA constantly monitored 27 channels (23 TV and 4 Radio), during the 30 days of the election campaign. Another number of channels were selected to be monitored based on the methodology approved by the Central Election Commission. Another category of national media service provider entities, part of the monitoring, were the entities equipped with authorization to provide audio-visual program service based on cable network, internet, IPTV, etc.

For the 1 (one) month period of the election campaign, there were registered 48 (forty-eight) recording units for audio-visual entities and 4 (four) recording units for audio entities in the Monitoring and Archive Studio, which in statistical terms translate into 34,500 hours of audio-visual recording and 2,880 hours of audio recordings.

The daily monitoring report was submitted every day to CEC regarding the dates March 26th - April 23rd, 2021 and the dates 24-25 April 2021 for observing election silence.

The daily monitoring reports contained the following data:

- Monitoring time of each of the audio-visual media service providers in monitoring, for broadcasting during the time frame 08:00-00:00.
- Broadcasting timing for each electoral subject.
- The timing for each political stakeholder.
- The order of candidates in news editions.
- Live broadcasting.
- Gender ratio of the candidates media coverage.

Based on the Electoral Code, AMA has periodically approved the summary monitoring reports by suggesting CEC to take the measures provided in the Electoral Code, for the registrations not being stored in AMA; compensation of broadcast time in news editions as well as administrative measures for violating cases; for respecting the criteria on broadcasting political advertisements; for respecting the criteria on publishing election polls; for the implementation of the Code requirements for the period of election silence; as well as drawing attention to respecting the gender representation ratio.

- AMA by means of Decision no. 51, dated 06.04.2021, has approved the report on monitoring the coverage of the election campaign by the audio-visual media service providers, for the period March 26, 2021 April 3, 2021,
- AMA by means of Decision no. 56, dated 14.04.2021, has approved the report on monitoring the coverage of the election campaign by the audio-visual media service providers, for the period 04 April 2021 11 April 2021,
- AMA by means of Decision no. 59, dated 22.04.2021, has approved the report on monitoring the coverage of the election campaign by the national audio-visual media service providers, for the period 12 April 2021 19 April 2021,
- AMA by means of Decision no. 62, dated 27.04.2021, has approved the report of the summary tables of the monitoring of the election campaign coverage by the national audio-visual media service providers, for the period March 26 April 23, 2021, as well as

the period of electoral silence respect, along with the cumulative tables for the electoral campaign coverage, in the period March 26 - April 23, 2021.

It is worth mentioning that concerning the monitoring reports of audio / audio-visual media, there was a low number of complaints / requirements from the audio-visual media service providers addressed to AMA. These requirements were mostly about the procedural clarifications rather than the review of monitoring indicators.

In order to improve the monitoring capacities, starting from the technology used in the monitoring studio and following the staff qualification to perform quality measurements, the Audio-visual Media Authority has ensured the cooperation of the Council of Europe in Tirana, intending to upgrade monitoring studio. Currently, several meetings have been held between the Chairperson of AMA, CoE representative in Tirana and relevant experts in Strasbourg, in order to find the necessary funding sources and expertise to intervene in the modernization of the monitoring studio at AMA.

#### 7.3 Approach to the phenomenon of piracy in audio-visual broadcasting

Another important dimension of our work, for 2021, has been taking measures against online piracy. During this year, several audits were conducted on ISP (internet service provider) entities that were not authorized by AMA to provide audio-visual service. This is a worldwide phenomenon; the online piracy cases have increased enormously and piracy has now turned into an international concern. Through its specialists, as well as in cooperation with private operators (DigitAlb and Tring), the Audio-visual Media Authority has identified a number of piracy sites (links) that broadcast audio-visual products, such as feature films or sporting events without the authorization of AMA. These sites have been sent to the competent authority AKEP in order to take measures to block access within the territory of the country.

The signing of the memorandum of understanding between AMA and AKEP, on 03.11.2021, as well as the establishment of joint working groups, in its implementation, will give another approach to this phenomenon, in the upcoming years. It should be noted that, regardless the good will of both institutions, the online piracy phenomenon requires an investment and cooperation of further law enforcement institutions such as the state police, economic crime, cybercrime, etc.

It is noteworthy that these entities, by exercising their illegal activity, cause a great economic and reputational damage to entities authorized / licensed by AMA. Furthermore, this phenomenon causes an economic damage to the state revenue balance sheet.

As mentioned above, inter-institutional cooperation is a necessity to reduce this phenomenon.

#### 8. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE

#### **Complaints review**

The Complaint Committee at the Audio-visual Media Authority (AMA), even during 2021 and the continuation of the pandemic due to Covid-19, in fulfilment of the tasks, defined objectives, commitments and recommendations of the Albanian Parliament, has continued to observe implementation of the Broadcasting Code and regulations approved by AMA.

The Complaint Committee has carefully and professionally reviewed the complaints submitted to AMA, via mail, AMA's official e-mail, social networks and the Call Center structure.

In addition, the Complaint Committee has carried on expanding the communication with Appeal Review Boards at the National Audio-visual media service providers, agencies and organizations for child protection: - in particular with the State Agency for the Rights and Protection of Children in the Ministry of Health and Social Protection, as a body which directly follows the problems related to children, referring to the Complaint Committee cases recorded in the audio-visual media; - with the parliamentary group "Children Friends" in Parliament, with parliamentary and ministerial structures for the Strategy regarding the Public Legal Education (SELP), as well as with important stakeholders and factors in the audio-visual media field.

The Complaint Committee has addressed and suggested appropriate measures for hundreds of complaints, sent to AMA by the citizens, various institutions and organizations related to the audio-visual content issues.

Most of the concerns and complaints, received through official mail, e-mail, or Call Center structure, had as their object the violation of human rights, legal and ethical norms, violation of children's rights, violation of dignity, as well as some added complaints against social networks, portals and newspapers.

The Appeals Board paid attention, no matter what case, that the complainants receive a preliminary response, before being informed of the final conclusions, within the legal deadlines. But, also, has rejected, pursuant to the relevant law, unidentified and unfilled complaints, as defined in the Complaint Form, a document that is easily accessible on AMA's official website.

Altogether, the Complaint Committee reviewed over 300 complaints during the reporting period; most of them were sent to AMA by individuals, associations and civil society organizations.

Because of the same object, a considerable part of the complaints - in this case, for three TV shows - are considered as a single complaint.

Upon reviewing the complaints, the Complaint Committee has sent a warning to operators in 22 cases; in two cases the Complaint Committee has asked them to change the broadcast schedule for two TV series, in compliance with the provisions of the Broadcasting Code. Operators responded quickly, taking into account compliance with the requirements and ethical and legal norms of the Broadcasting Code; in two other cases the audio-visual operators were asked to respect the right of reply, which they abided by; in three cases a correction / adjustment of the transmitted information was requested; in 5 cases the operators were asked to submit claims and then it was concluded in the final reasoning; in three cases information was requested from various entities regarding a campaign initiated by AMA, and in 13 cases the complaints were rejected, as they were either outside the deadlines set by law, or were outside the scope of work

of the Complaint Committee, or they lacked important elements to proceed with the complaints review.

It is worth mentioning that, in one case, where there were several complaints about a TV show, the directors of the audio-visual operator apologized publicly regarding the ethical violation.

According to the subject, the complaints are presented as follows:

- -the subject of 35 % of handled complaints was the violation of children rights and their privacy;
- -the subject of 31% of the handled complaints was the violation of human rights, ethics and public morality;
- -11% of the complaints were not included in the scope of AMA, set out by law no. 97/2013 "On audiovisual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended;
- -the subject of 6% of the handled complaints was the right of reply;
- -the subject of 5% of the handled complaints was information verification;
- and the rest of the complaints had a different subject.

#### **Activities**

In implementation of the objectives, priorities set by AMA and the tasks set by the Albanian Parliament, in addition to the daily process of receiving and handling complaints, the Complaint Committee has participated and contributed to several joint activities, with institutional and international partners.

Here we can mention the participation in all meetings / meetings in parliamentary and ministerial level regarding the Strategy for Public Legal Education (as well as we have informed SELP Network that during 2021-2023 period a public survey / consultation will take place concerning the Broadcasting Code for audio-visual media, the conclusions of the kind will serve us for the process of improving this important document); development activities of the Albanian media in terms of challenges in order to prevent hate speech and discrimination of any kind; development and challenges regarding the future of media technology; and some activities focused on protecting children from harmful audio-visual broadcasts.

During 2021, the Complaint Committee initiated and pursued several projects on important topics related to audio-visual broadcasting, such as the media and the EU, the Broadcasting Code and youth, AMA and the best experience of monitoring election campaigns, etc.

In this context, its worth mentioning that the Complaint Committee was an active participant during the election campaign monitoring for the general political elections of April 25, pursuant to legal provisions, and a participant in meetings and consultations with representatives of the Central Election Commission (CEC).

#### **Complaint Committee Mandates**

In November 2021 the 3-year term of the Complaint Committee Chairman ended, whereas about a month later the mandates of both Council members ended. The three Complaint Committee vacancies will be filled once the new AMA members are elected. Currently, there has been announced the procedure for the Complaint Committee Chairman which will be followed by the procedure for the two members.

#### 9. AMA ACTING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LEGAL ENFORCEMENT

#### 9.1 Legal references on which the institution's activity acts in compliance with

AMA executes its administrative and regulatory activity based on law no. 97/2013 "On Audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", amended as well as in the secondary legislation (regulations, decisions and instructions) adopted on the basis and pursuant to special Organic Law. Furthermore, AMA's activity is exercised in compliance with the Constitution, laws and by-laws, which regulate the field of audio and audio-visual media.

The legal framework to which the administrative activity of the Audio-visual Media Authority acts in compliance with, has not undergone any additions or amends during the reporting period. During this period, through the secondary legislation, the legal framework has been supplemented with regulatory acts aimed at creating a regulatory environment, which facilitates the development of the audio-visual broadcasting sector.

#### 9.2 Fulfilment of by-laws necessary to perform the activity of the audio-visual media service providers

AMA, in its capacity of regulatory authority for audio and audio-visual services, has the right and competence to draft by-laws pursuant of organic law, and in this context, even during 2021, has worked on drafting or amending secondary legislation, in order to improve the activity of AMA and to facilitate the activity of audio-visual operators within the legal framework.

Pursuant to the provisions of organic legislation and in regard to institutional transparency, as well as the necessity to obtain stakeholders' feedback, suggestions and comments, the sub-legal framework drafting has been accompanied by the process of public consultation and discussion.

AMA, pursuant to law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, in 2021 has adopted the following by-laws:

- Regulation "On criteria and regulatory measures for the common use of RTSH's broadcasting infrastructure", adopted by the decision of AMA, no. 39, dated 11.03.2021. This regulation defines the rules and procedures for the common use of RTSH's broadcasting infrastructure, by the audio and / or audio-visual media service providers, licensed for audio and / or terrestrial broadcasting and the entities licensed to provide the audio / audio-visual program service.
- Regulation "On dispute resolution procedures for the use of multiplex", adopted by the decision of AMA, no. 40, dated 11.03.2021. This regulation's purpose is to resolve disputes between holders of national, regional and local digital audio broadcasting licenses and national digital audio-visual broadcasting licenses, the public operator (RTSH) and the audio-visual media service providers regarding the use of the multiplex, digital network.
- Regulation "On procedures and criteria for granting authorization for the use of HF band frequencies, on the provision of audio service" adopted by the decision of AMA, no. 63, dated 27.04.2021. This regulation defines the rules, criteria and procedures for granting authorization on the use of

HF band frequencies, for the provision of audio service, pursuant to law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, as well as the National Frequency Plan.

On the other hand, pursuant to the provisions of law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, AMA has compiled the draft regulation "On procedures and criteria for issuing analogue audio broadcasting license." This draft law aims to improve and supplement the procedural and material provisions for the issuance and renewal of analogue audio broadcasting licenses, a process that has so far been carried out pursuant to the regulation "On procedures and criteria for issuing audio broadcasting licenses", approved by AMA in 2016, with relevant amends.

The draft regulation, within the frame of the public consultation process, has been published on the AMA's official website, pursuant to article 48 of law no. 97/2013, according to which "During the public consultation process, AMA publishes the proposed regulatory documents and requests the written submission of the stakeholders' feedback, within the time frame published, which should not be less than 30 days." AMA has forwarded the draft project to the Competition Authority, which has agreed to it.

Also, since this by-law has an impact on the activity of audio entities, AMA held consultative meetings with audio entities in February, in order to discuss the suggested changes and receive their comments and suggestions.

The parties' suggestions regarding the facilitation of the licensing procedures renewal, the financial fees review of the audio license, the validity period extension of the license and others, are in the evaluation phase by AMA.

#### 9.3 The need to amend the legal framework that regulates the institution activity

Directive 2010/13 / EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, dated 10 March 2010, "On the coordination of certain provisions provided by law, regulation or administrative act in the Member States, regarding the provision of voice and image broadcasting services", which is fully transposed into law no. 97/2013, has undergone changes at the end of 2018 (Directive 2018/1808, dated 14.11.2018).

The main amendments in the AVMS Directive are related to including the scope of its implementation of video sharing platforms, definition of obligations of providers of video sharing platforms, reviewing obligations for on-demand audio-visual service providers (on demand service), reviewing rules for audio-visual broadcasters to protect minors from harmful content, etc. This document also addresses a number of other issues such as the promotion of co-regulation and self-regulation through codes of conduct, especially regarding to minors' protection against commercial communications, rules on increasing the transparency of ownership of audio-visual media service providers. There is a special place which is dedicated to provide information access to the people with special sensory disabilities.

Referring to the provisions of the amended Directive, the Member States are responsible for adopting legal and by-law amendments, in order to comply with this act, in September 2021. In the framework of the commitments

deriving from the Stabilization and Association Agreement, the harmonisation of the audio-visual legislation with the "acquis communitaire" is an obligation for Albania.

Recognizing the importance of transposing this directive, in fulfilment not only of the international obligations related to the EU integration process of our country, but also in the context of improving the national legal and sub-legal framework in the field of audio/audio-visual media, AMA, with letter Prot. No. 2682, Dated 06.08.2021, was addressed to Parliament and line Ministry for initiating the transposition process of Directive 2018/1808. Referring to amendments brought about this Directive, the transposition process requires the involvement of other institutions for certain issues.

Following AMA's request and on the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE) proposal with letter Prot. no. 6144/1, Dated 17.09.2021, as well as in the framework of reviewing the National Plan for European Integration (PKIE) for 2020-2024 period, there were held two meetings with AMA and other institutions representatives at MIE, which may be affected by amendments of Directive 2010/13/EU, such as the Ministry of Finance and Economy, the Ministry of Culture, the Consumer Protection Commission, etc. This refers to the fact that the amendments brought about by this Directive affect other institutions action sphere on certain issues.

Following the end of the meetings it is agreed the partial transposition of this Directive, involved in the Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, some of the directive articles, which change / improve it, such as: child protection, media access for persons with disabilities, issues of jurisdiction, promotion of European works etc. Meanwhile, the regulation of the activity of video sharing platforms that is a service which, currently, is not regulated in the domestic legislation, has been postponed to another occasion, as it is needed a broader discussion with some institutions involved in this process, in order to define the relevant competencies and responsibilities.

The partial transposition of the Directive 2018/1808 is scheduled in the in the fourth quarter of 2022 in the National Plan for European Integration (PKIE) 2022-2024.

AMA, in its capacity of the regulatory authority has identified the applicable provisions of Law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, related to protection of children, advertisements, jurisdiction, accessibility of persons with disabilities, etc., which are affected by the amendments of Directive (EU) 2018/1808.

#### 9.4 Monitoring of the frequency spectrum use

In the framework of the digitalization process finalization, the main focus, also during 2021, regarding the supervision of the frequency spectrum use, has been the on-site monitoring related to the paving of digital infrastructure by private national audio-visual operators, identification of digital audio-visual signal coverage of the country as well as support verification of local / regional operators in national digital networks.

From the monitoring carried out in all regions of the country, at the end of the digitalization process, it results that RTSH and national private digital operators do not cover certain areas of the country with digital signal, as follows:

#### 1. PUBLIC ALBANIAN OPERATOR, RTSH,

#### BERAT DISTRICT

- The neighbourhoods behind Berat Castle
- Roshnik Administrative Unit
- Sinjë Administrative Unit
- Potom Administrative Unit
- Cepan Administrative Unit.

About 5% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### KORÇA DISTRICT

- Voskopoja Administrative Unit
- Dardha Administrative Unit
- Cerrave (center)
- Mokërr Administrative Unit (partially)
- Gorë Administrative Unit
- Barmash Administrative Unit.

About 6% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### TIRANA – DURRËS DISTRICT

- Shëngjergj Administrative Unit
- Baldushk Administrative Unit (partially)
- Kruja Administrative Unit
- Cudhi Administrative Unit.

About 2% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **ELBASAN DISTRICT**

- Labinot Commune (Fushë-Xibrakë)
- Qukës Administrative Unit (partially)
- Lunik Administrative Unit (Kostenjë, Dranovicë, Orenjë, Streblevë).

About 1% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **VLORA DISTRICT**

- Borsh Administrative Unit (partially)
- Himara Administrative Unit (partially)
- Vlora river villages (Drashovica, Kota, Brataj, Tërbaç, Velça, Vranisht, Kuç)

About 3% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### SHKODRA DISTRICT

- Ana e Malit Administrative Unit.
- Vau i Dejës Administrative Unit (partially).
- Kelmend Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### GJIROKASTRA DISTRICT

- Picar Administrative Unit
- Zagore Administrative Unit
- Kurvelesh Administrative Unit
- Krahës Administrative Unit
- Qesarat Administrative Unit
- Dropull i sipërm Administrative Unit
- Pogon Administrative Unit.

About 19% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **DIBRA DISTRICT**

- Maqellara Administrative Unit (partially)
- Sllova, Kala e Dodës Administrative Unit.

About 6% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### KUKËS DISTRICT

- Lek Bibaj Administrative Unit.

About 2% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### 2. "MEDIA VIZION"

#### **COMPANY, BERAT DISTRICT**

- Kuçova Administrative Unit
- Polican Administrative Unit
- Corovoda Administrative Unit.

About 19% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **KORÇA DISTRICT**

- Voskopoja Administrative Unit
- Dardha Administrative Unit
- Cërrava Administrative Unit
- Mokër Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### TIRANA DISTRICT

- Zall Bastar Administrative Unit
- Shëngjergj Administrative Unit
- Baldushk Administrative Unit (partially)
- Krraba Administrative Unit
- Ndroq Administrative Unit.

About 2% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **DURRËS DISTRICT**

- Kruja Administrative Unit
- Cudhi Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### SHKODRA DISTRICT

- Malësia e Madhe Administrative Unit
- Puka Administrative Unit
- Vau i Dejës Administrative Unit
- Fushë Arrëz Administrative Unit
- Ana- Malit Administrative Unit.

About 8% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### KUKËS DISTRICT

- Bajram Curri Administrative Unit
- Has Administrative Unit.

About 12% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### PESHKOPI DISTRICT

- Peshkopi Administrative Unit
- Bulgiza Administrative Unit
- Klos Administrative Unit
- Magellara Administrative Unit
- Burrel Administrative Unit.

About 41% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **LEZHA DISTRICT**

- Rrëshen Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### ELBASAN DISTRICT

- Përrenjas Administrative Unit
- Librazhd Administrative Unit
- Qukës Administrative Unit
- Peqin Administrative Unit
- Gramsh Administrative Unit.

About 8% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### GJIROKASTRA DISTRICT

- Tepelena Administrative Unit
- Përmet Administrative Unit
- Këlcyra Administrative Unit
- Krahës Administrative Unit
- Picar Administrative Unit
- Zagorie Administrative Unit
- Kurvelesh Administrative Unit
- Qesarat Administrative Unit

- Dropull Administrative Unit
- Pogon Administrative Unit.

About 40% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **VLORA DISTRICT**

- Delvina Administrative Unit
- Dhërmi Administrative Unit
- Borsh Administrative Unit
- Konispol Administrative Unit
- Vlora river villages (Drashovica, Kota, Brataj, Tërbaç, Velca, Vranisht, Kuç etc.).

About 7% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### 3. "KLAN" TV ENTITY,

#### **KORÇA DISTRICT**

- Voskopoja Administrative Unit
- Dardha Administrative Unit
- Çërrava Administrative Unit
- Mokër Administrative Unit (partially).

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### TIRANA DISTRICT

- Zall Bastar Administrative Unit
- Shëngjergj Administrative Unit
- Baldushk Administrative Unit (partially)
- Krraba Administrative Unit
- Ndrog Administrative Unit.

About 2% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **DURRËS DISTRICT**

- Kruja Administrative Unit
- Cudhi Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### SHKODRA DISTRICT

- Malësia e Madhe Administrative Unit
- Puka Administrative Unit
- Fushë Arrëz Administrative Unit
- Ana e Malit Administrative Unit.

About 8% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### GJIROKASTRA DISTRICT

- Krahës Administrative Unit
- Picar Administrative Unit
- Zagorie Administrative Unit
- Kurvelesh Administrative Unit
- Oesarat Administrative Unit
- Dropull Administrative Unit
- Pogon Administrative Unit.

About 25% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### VLORA DISTRICT

- Borsh Administrative Unit
- Konispol Administrative Unit
- Vlora river villages (Drashovica, Kota, Brataj, Tërbaç, Velca, Vranisht, Kuç etc.).

About 3% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

### 4. "TOP -CHANNEL" TV, "DIGIT-ALB" AND "ADTN", BERAT

#### **DISTRICT**

- Kuçova Administrative Unit
- Poliçan Administrative Unit (DIGITALB" AND "ADTN")
- Corovoda Administrative Unit.

About 19% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **KORÇA DISTRICT**

- Erseka Administrative Unit
- Leskovik Administrative Unit
- Voskopoja Administrative Unit

- Dardha Administrative Unit
- Cërrava Administrative Unit
- Mokër Administrative Unit.

About 6% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### FIER DISTRICT

- Partially Divjaka Municipality.

About 0.3% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### TIRANA DISTRICT

- Kavaja Municipality
- Zall Bastar Administrative Unit
- Shëngjergj Administrative Unit
- Baldushk Administrative Unit (partially)
- Krraba Administrative Unit
- Ndroq Administrative Unit
- Partially Vora Municipality.

About 6% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **DURRËS DISTRICT**

- Kruja Administrative Unit
- Cudhi Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### SHKODRA DISTRICT

- Malësia e Madhe Administrative Unit
- Vau i Dejës Administrative Unit
- Fushë Arrëz Administrative Unit
- Ana- Malit Administrative Unit.

About 8% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### KUKËS DISTRICT

- Bajram Curri Administrative Unit
- Kukës Municipality

- Has Administrative Unit.

About 75% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### DIBRA DISTRICT

- Bulgiza Administrative Unit
- Peshkopi Administrative Unit ("DIGIT-ALB" AND "ADTN")
- Klos Administrative Unit
- Maqellara Administrative Unit
- Burrel Administrative Unit.

About 41% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### LEZHA DISTRICT

- Rrëshen Administrative Unit.

About 4% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **ELBASAN DISTRICT**

- Përrenjas Administrative Unit
- Librazhd Administrative Unit ("DIGITALB" AND "ADTN")
- Qukës Administrative Unit
- Pegin Administrative Unit
- Gramsh Administrative Unit.

About 8% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### GJIROKASTRA DISTRICT

- Tepelena Administrative Unit
- Përmet Administrative Unit
- Këlcyra Administrative Unit
- Krahës Administrative Unit
- Picar Administrative Unit
- Zagorie Administrative Unit
- Kurvelesh Administrative Unit
- Qesarat Administrative Unit
- Dropull Administrative Unit
- Pogon Administrative Unit.

About 40% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

#### **VLORA DISTRICT**

- Borsh Administrative Unit
- Selenica Administrative Unit
- Himara Administrative Unit ("DIGITALB" AND "ADTN")
- Dhërmi Administrative Unit ("DIGITALB" AND "ADTN")
- Konispol Administrative Unit.
- Delvina Administrative Unit ("DIGITALB" AND "ADTN").
- Vlora river villages (Drashovica, Kota, Brataj, Tërbaç, Velca, Vranisht, Kuç etc.).

About 16% of the district population is not provided with digital signal coverage.

The percentage of the population that is not provided with digital audio-visual service at the national level, is presented in the following table for each operator.

Nr.	Subjekti	Përqindja e popullsisë e pambuluar me shërbim audioviziv numerik
1	RTSH	2.8%
2	TV Klan	3%
3	Top Channel	11%
4	Digitalb	11%
5	Media Vizion	7.5%
6	ADTN	11%

Also, during 2021, the audio spectrum use was monitored in the centralized monitoring system, as well as in the field, in the framework of the complaints submitted to AMA for interference, as well as in the framework of the opening of FM audio frequencies competitions, to identify whether the proposed frequencies for competitions opening are free from various interferences from neighbouring countries or from internal interferences.

#### 10. AMA AS A PROMOTER OF THE AUDIO-VISUAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

# 10.1 AMA's engagement in the technological developments of the audio-visual market "Audio/audio-visual broadcasting technology and infrastructure in the digital world"

During 2021 AMA, in cooperation with the "Institute of Albanian Broadcast Engineers" association has enabled the implementation of the project entitled "Audio/audio-visual broadcasting technology and infrastructure in the digital world". This project aimed to meet the following objectives:

- Updating knowledge on DVB-T2 digital technology.
- Describing DVB-T2 network architecture, describing all links as well as all theoretical-practical aspects and differences from DVB-T broadcasting.
- Updating theoretical and practical knowledge on the radio frequency characteristics of the DVB-T2 network, technical details of coverage areas, allotments, broadcasting capacities.
- Updating knowledge on T-DAB Technology and advanced digital technologies for audio broadcasting.
- Deepening theoretical-practical knowledge on the radio frequency characteristics of digital audio/audio-visual broadcastings, offering protection from interference of other services such as radio navigation, LTE, etc.
- Increasing familiarization and proper use of radio frequency monitoring equipment as well as equipment that are used for digital technologies.
- Implementation of best national and international practices during the implementation of digital networks. The following activities were carried out in the framework of fulfilling these objectives:
  - Conference/theoretical training on digital broadcasting;

In the presence of engineering and technical representatives of audio/audio-visual operators, representatives of national decision-making authorities and stakeholders as field experts or even students of technical universities.

- Theoretical-practical sessions and measurements of DVB-T2 signals;

In the presence of stakeholders, in 5 districts of the country and training visits/measurements at antenna locations that transmit DVB-T2 signals to different cities such as Tirana (Dajt), Elbasan, Vlora, Shkodra and Fier.

- Final training activity conference;

Summary and update of best practices utilized by national operators, findings and suggestions review for future improvements.

- Publication of a technical brochure/bulletin with ISBN.

Summary of training materials that were used in the above-mentioned activities, and their presentation as a reference for the future regarding all stakeholders in relation to audio/audio-visual broadcasting technology and infrastructure in the digital world.

The project lasted 10 months and was successfully finalized in December 2021.

#### 10.2 The contribution of AMA in support of scientific studies

#### "Media convergence and the post-truth phenomenon"

Following the translation of foreign literature in Albanian, during 2021 AMA has supported the project "Media convergence and the post-truth phenomenon", implemented by the "New Policy Group" Center. The main objective was the translation and publication with ISBN of the book "Post-Truth: The new war on truth and how to fight back" by Mathew D'Ancona, as well as the organization of events (round tables regarding this publication and current issues in the audio-visual market) in several cities of the country. Translation of D'Ancona's book in Albanian enriches the personal library of employees in the audio-visual media, as well as in the entire media market, but also serves to experts, professors and students that study communication science and journalism.

The issues and views that are discussed in the book are part of the debate that is taking place nowadays on the effect of truths in the media, on the role and influence of the presentation of the so-called "alternative truths" or "alternative facts" in the public, which directly or indirectly feed propaganda and disinformation machines - which are, in fact, the instrumentalisation of information by political groups, businesses, etc.

#### "Translations of foreign literature into Albanian"

The main products of this project are the translation and publication (with ISBN) of three books:

- "Du journalism en démocratie" ("Journalism for Democracy") by Géraldine Muhlmann, 2017 edition.

The book "Journalism for Democracy" is very important in the field of media and journalism. It aims to explore the role of journalism and, at the same time, to study the nature of journalism and its role in democracy. For this reason, the author mentions that a great debate over journalism often takes place. Muhlman starts to analyse the idea that nowadays journalism is in question, as it is highly accused as being a not very honest profession, which is often used to provide a false socio-political picture. She asks important questions such as: What should journalism be? Which ideals should it promote? According to her, nowadays, the discussion on journalism rarely goes beyond the free speech analysis and the fourth power analysis. Muhlman's analysis is based on a strong foundation of philosophical tradition and concludes that journalism needs to take on a new dimension and be renewed. Journalism itself is essential for democracy and goes hand in hand with it, enabling not only the unfolding of reality, but also a way of providing information and resolving various conflicts. This text is essential for the general public that is sensitive to the quality of information. In addition, this book is important for journalism students, as it emphasizes the fact that journalism is not just a profession but a mission in the context of preserving democracy.

"Une histoire des medias-des origines à nos jours" ("History of the media - from its origins to the present day") by Jean-Noël Jeannneney, 2015 edition.

The book "History of Media" reflects not only the specific nature of the subject analysis, but is complemented by important personal elements of the author as an expert and an active in the world of media. The purpose of the book is to provide a broad overview of the history of how Western societies have built mechanisms to know themselves and others. The history of the media is initially related to technological changes, but advanced in the efforts of various social groups to manifest their identity. This identity is related to the concept of freedom of the press, which according to the author has been one of the biggest and most difficult victories of the media. Thus, the author explains how different social, public or private stakeholders have also sought different ways to influence the media, such as newspapers, television and the internet. Through the history of media, the author also gives us material to reflect on the future of media and mass communication.

## - "La comunicazione politica online" ("Online Political Communication: How to Use the Web to Build Consensus and Boost Participation?") by Gianluca Giansante, 2014 edition.

The book "Online Political Communication" is written as an explanatory manual on new media and their use in political campaigns. It is based on some important findings: firstly, the need to use the network to restore trust between politics and citizens; secondly, it seeks to explain the ways in which participation and virtual space can influence socio-political activism outside the network.

This book is written based on the above-mentioned concerns and analyses the forms of communication and political campaigns in the virtual space. Then, the author provides us with a critical viewpoint, but also with practical cases of media use, in all their forms, while specifically analysing the different types of social media, websites, blogs or basic forms of communication. In this context, this manual book explains the communication strategies that should be utilized to reach maximum network efficiency. At first sight, the book seems to be dedicated to actors, politicians, but also civil society as it analyses the optimal way of using social networks. On the other hand, the general public can get to understand how social networks work. Through this book, the public can critically assess the activity of politicians and truly participate in the virtual space in the political aspect.

# "Traditional journalism in front of audiences" Scientific Conference of the Journalism and Communication Department, supported by AMA

"Traditional journalism in front of audiences" is a scientific study, recently funded by the Audio-visual Media Authority, in collaboration with the Journalism and Communication Department, whose findings were presented at the Scientific Conference, held at the Faculty of History and Philology on October 15th, 2021. Ak. Prof. Dr. Artan Fuga and the Head of Journalism Department, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Mark Marku, praised the fruitful cooperation of the two institutions over the years, which have been concretized in 6 major scientific research projects.

#### 11. DIGITAL BROADCASTINGS

#### 11.1 Release of the Digital Dividend Band

After the successful finalization of the digitalization process of audio-visual broadcasts, the process of releasing the Digital Dividend band - known as the DD2 band - is another process that is equally important and at the same time challenging for the regulatory authority. The release of the DD2 band from audio-visual broadcasts and the commissioning of this band for 5G mobile services, will affect the economic, social and cultural development of the country, thus ensuring the fulfilment of the growing demand of the user for traffic and the provision of services with high internet speed.

Regarding the DD2 band release project, through the initiative of MIE, technical assistance was obtained from the ITU in cooperation with the Hungarian regulatory authority in order to find effective technical solutions. During August 2020-April 2021, AMA has closely cooperated with experts and the working group with representatives from MIE and AKEP and has participated in online meetings with consultants, has exchanged the required legal/technical information via email, as well as has designed a digital frequency plan, not including DD2 band.

The technical consulting was finalized on April 13th, 2021 through the organization of a virtual workshop on "Frequency planning for DVB-T2 in the remaining UHF band", where the technical solutions proposed by the consultants were presented.

The consultants have presented several versions of the new digital plan (not including DD2 band) which also provides frequency channels for the construction of local/regional networks, but in a very limited number, as the audio-visual band has been greatly reduced upon the release of the 700 MHz band. Taking into consideration the number of national networks in our country (2 public digital networks and 5 private digital networks) as well as frequency coordination agreements with neighbouring countries, it is impossible to have a significant number of frequencies for local/regional digital networks.

During June-November 2021, AMA has continued the process of coordination with national digital operators (RTSH and private operators), through e-mail communications and various meetings at the technical and senior management level, so that all stakeholders achieve a unified agreement and in order to determine the final version of the Digital Frequency Plan.

On November 26th, 2021, following the agreement of all national audio-visual operators, AMA approved the new Digital Frequency Plan (not including DD2 band).

#### 11.2 Financial compensation

During 2021, AMA, pursuant to law no. 34/2017, "On the release of Digital Dividend frequencies", as amended, by decision no. 69, dated 19.05.2021 adopted some amendments to the decision no. 38, dated 07.03.2019 "On the determination of local/regional analogue audio-visual entities included in the financial

compensation scheme pursuant to Law no. 34/2017, as amended".

By the above-mentioned decision the following were removed from the list of beneficiary entities:

No.	Trade name/local television	Berat	Korça	Fier	Tirana	Shkodra	Vlora	Elbasan	Gjirokastr a	Dibra	Total/e ntity
1	"Tv Scan"			12916	16647			5303			34866
2	"Report TV"	7316	10987	15717	20257						54277
3	"TV Lobi"		3785								3785
4	"TV Berati"	7315									7315
5	"TV UTV Education"		10987		20257			13904			45149
6	"CLUB TV"		10987		20257			8838			40082
7	"TV Apollon"			12915			11969				24884
8	"A2" TV	-			20257						20257
9	"TV SOT 7"		10987								10987
10	"News 24 TV"			12916	16647		6086				35649
11	"Fax News"				15451						15451
12	"TV Ora News"			12916	21212		4565				38692
13	"TV Channel One"			12916	23717			1768			38401
14	"TV BBF"				16647						16647
15	"TV Shijak"				12779						12779
16	"Tv Syri"				20257						20257
17	TV "4+"			2464							2464
18	"Kopliku" TV					10506					10506
19	"BS" TV					10506					10506
20	"Channel 7" Tv								1741		1741
21	"Channel 1" Tv					10506					10506
22	"ABC News" Tv			12916	16647			7070			36633
23	"Euro Balkans News" TV (former "TV IN")				12876						12876
24	"Premium Channel" TV				20257		11969				32226
25	"Alpo" Tv								3686		3686
26	"Antena Nord" TV					6161					6161
27	"Star plus" TV					8014					8014
28	"ONE TV Vlora"						9129				9129

29	"TV Klaudiana"							13904			13904
30	"TV Mati"									2153	2153
	Total in euro/allotment	14631	47735	95675	274.16 5	45693	43719	50787	5427	2153	579984

- 7 (seven) entities for which AMA had taken decisions to revoke/state the invalidity of licenses and which have not further investigated by judicial bodies.
- 4 (four) entities, which have not submitted any documentation in order to obtain financial compensation, despite receiving AMA's notices.
- 1 (one) entity, which did not submit the following financial documentation, despite receiving AMA's notices.
- 2 (two) entities were deprived of allotments because they did not submit financial documentation.

Following decision no. 69, dated 19.05.2021, the respective percentage of the 1,000,000-euro fund (made available to AMA for this category of beneficiary entities) increased from 53.87% to 65.55% or from 6.46 months to 7.866 months.

Regarding the above, AMA has continued the process of financial compensation for the former existing local/regional analogue operators, which are based on the digital network of RTSH or other licensed digital networks, for allotments that have met the legal requirements, such as Berat, Korça, Fier, Tirana (Tirana-Durrës districts), Shkodra, Vlora, Elbasan, Gjirokastra and Dibra.

For July 2019 - 31 December 2021, the performance of financial compensation (in the 1,000,000-euro fund) was carried out in the total amount of 579,984 euro, as follows:

#### 11.3 The contract between AMA – RTSH

During 2021, AMA has conducted two reviews on the performance of RTSH (every 6 months) and has conveyed information for this institution on two main aspects: program bouquet and broadcasting signal coverage throughout the country.

This information is based on the requirements of law no. 97/2013 "On Audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, specifically, Articles 18 and 19, which reflect the objectives and functions of AMA; Article 33 regarding the obligations of the audio-visual media service providers; chapter 12, which regulates the activity of RTSH and includes Articles 90–126, etc.; as well as refers to the content of the Public Broadcasting Service Contract, adopted by the Audio-visual Media Authority, by decision no. 18, dated 02.03.2017. By submitting this performance evaluation of RTSH every six months, regarding the program bouquet and broadcasting signal coverage throughout the country, AMA has considered and continues to consider this commitment as cooperation with and support for the Public Broadcaster in relation to its role and mission to inform, educate and entertain the audience, as part of the responsibility and obligation to offer a qualitative and diverse audio-visual product and service.

Regarding the evaluation of the program bouquet, AMA has submitted to RTSH the evaluations that were carried out during the last review.

- AMA highly appreciates the fact that RTSH AGRO took the necessary measures regarding the
  warning that has been identified in the last two reviews on partial broadcasting of documentaries
  lacking translation into Albanian (subtitling or dubbing). We have identified that this problem
  has already been overcome, thus having a positive impact on the audience of the audio-visual
  content of this channel on the platform of RTSH.
- We believe that there is still a need to improve the program structure at RTSH FËMIJË thematic channel, taking into account the evaluations of the "Council for viewers and listeners" regarding providing creative, entertaining and interactive programs.
- Regarding RTSH KUVENDI, where the audience can watch the full parliamentary sessions broadcastings or the standing committees' workings, AMA reiterates the recommendation to broadcast informative and explanatory content included in conversations, interviews, or professional analysis with field experts, on draft laws that are being discussed and that are important for the citizens and the community. This approach will have a greater impact on promoting and invigorating public consultation on legal acts, prior to them being discussed and voted by MPs in the plenary session. We should also bear in mind that the Committee on Education and Media (in the meeting on 26.06.2020) recommended RTSH KUVENDI "to offer more space, to be more active and to assist MPs and the Parliament through broadcasting not only plenary sessions but also documentaries, interviews, reportages, consequently making a comparison with the neighbouring countries".
- RTSH must constantly provide the sign language translation of at least one news edition within 24 hours in two general program bouquet channels, in compliance with the Service Contract requirement, article 7.
- In the programme bouquet of RTSH should be fulfilled the requirements of law no. 76/2014, on some additions and amendments to Law no. 9636, dated 6.11.2006, "On the Protection of Health from Tobacco Products", as amended. Article 1 of this law stipulates that RTSH "broadcasts every month educational programs regarding the protection of health from tobacco products, in compliance with the law on audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania. These educational programs last 90 minutes and are broadcasted during the timeframe 08.00-22.00. One of these 30-minute programmes must be broadcasted during the timeframe 17.00-22.00".
- RTSH MUSIC currently broadcasts artistic events for all age groups and regarding different musical genres. This thematic channel would be even more interesting if it were enriched with sections, which "serve to the national traditions, their development, preservation, dissemination and broadcasting of artistic values, folklore values, etc." pursuant to Article 6 of the Contract.

Regarding the compliance with the Service Contract in relation to the digital signal coverage of the public operator, please refer to paragraph 9.4 of this report.

#### 11.4 Frequency spectrum planning and management

The frequency spectrum planning and management is performed pursuant to the provisions of law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended, as well as the regulatory national and international legal acts.

The highly effective management of the audio/audio-visual spectrum creates opportunities to license new operators in the market, ensures the avoidance of harmful interferences inside and outside the country and guarantees high quality service to end users.

#### 11.4.1 Frequency planning for audio-visual services

Based on national and international legal acts and by-laws, the frequency UHF and VHF band is the designated band for digital terrestrial DTT broadcasting. Based on the National Digital Plan (PKN), the UHF band is currently being used by audio-visual operators which enable digital broadcasting throughout the country.

RTSH - the Albanian public operator - possesses frequencies for two digital networks and 5 national private digital operators possess frequencies for one digital network. Meanwhile, a local network has been licensed, which covers the allotment service of Elbasan. Also, in PKN are provided some free frequencies for the licensing of local/regional operators. The Digital Frequency Plan is presented as follows:

Digital Frequency Plan for 2 national public networks of RTSH (approved by AMA with decision no. 27, dated 01.02.2013)

	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-
Rrjetet Shqipëria	001D	002D	003D	004D	005D	006D	007D	008D	009D	010D	011D
Shqipena	Shkodër	Kukës	Dibër	Lezhë	Tiranë	Elbasan	Fier	Berat	Korçë	Gjirokastër	Vlorë
RTSH (MUX-1)	28	26	38	43	34	23	27	25	43	26	23
RTSH (MUX-2)	41	32	24	23	21	33	31	30	45	37	39

Digital Frequency Plan for 5 national private networks in the UHF band in the Republic of Albania

Rrjetet	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-
Kombëtare Private	001D	002D	003D	004D	005D	006D	007D	008D	009D	010D	011D
	Shkodër	Kukës	Dibër	Lezhë	Tiranë	Elbasan	Fier	Berat	Korçë	Gjirokastër	Vlorë
KLAN (MUX-3)	34	50	55	33	41	42	35	32	51	44	46
DIGITALB (MUX-4)	59	40	30	46	53	48	28	36	55	29	57
TOP CHANNEL (MUX-5)	45	42	25	29	59	49	22	54	57	50	43
MEDIA VIZION (MUX-6)	22	36	54		57	46	29	24	21	48	53
ADTN (MUX-7)	51	52	60		39	40	45	47	27	35	51

The company "Era Digital" sh.p.k., with AMA's decision no. 186, dated 19.12.2019, has been granted a local license for digital audio-visual broadcasting for the district of Elbasan. The Ch37 frequency channel has been defined in use.

Free frequency channels in VHF and UHF band

	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-	AL-
	001D	002D	003D	004D	005D	006D	007D	008D	009D	010D	011D	012D Sub.
	Shkodër	Kukës	Dibër	Lezhë	Tiranë	Elbasan	Fier	Berat	Korçë	Gjirokastër	Vlorë	Tiranë
	9	9	8	9	10	7	10	5	6	8	8	6
Kanalet e lira në VHF		56				56		52	28	38		26
						58			59	56		44
Kanalet e										58		50
lira në UHF										60		60

Referring to the table above, there are 6 free frequency blocks in band III VHF for digital terrestrial audio-visual service (DTT) which enable a national digital network. Meanwhile regarding the digital terrestrial audio service (T-DAB) there are 6 free channels, specifically Ch11A, Ch11B, Ch11D, Ch12A, Ch12B and Ch12C, which enable two national digital networks.

Related to UHF band, there is a reduction of the number of free channels, given the release of the 694-790 MHz band known as the DD2 band. Specifically, remain the following: 1 frequency in the District of Korça (Ch28), 1 frequency in the District of Gjirokastra (Ch38) and 2 frequencies in the sub-allotment of Tirana (Ch 26 and Ch44). Based on the Digital Frequency Plan, it results that about 30.9% of the frequency channels, defined by AMA, for the 5 national private UHF networks, belong to the DD2 band.

Meanwhile, in the framework of the 700 MHz band (DD2) release process, by AMA's the decision, no. 96, dated 26.11.2021, the new Digital Frequency Plan for digital terrestrial broadcasting has been approved (which does not include DD2 band), which envisages 7 national digital networks as well as some local/regional networks as follows:

Rrjetet	AL001D	AL002D	AL003D	AL004D	AL005D	AL006D	AL007D	AL008D	AL009D	AL010D	AL011D	Numri i kanaleve në total
MUX 1 (RTSH)	33	33	42	33	33	42	31	36	27	37	31	6
MUX 2 (RTSH)	34	34	40	34	34	40	39	41	28	38	39	6
MUX 3 (Klan)	28	28	30	28	28	30	29	30	45	29	23	5
MUX 4 (Digitalb)	21	36	38	21	21	48	21	48	48	48	28	5
MUX 5 (Top Channel)	22	22	24	22	22	24	27	47	24	26	27	5
MUX 6 (Media Vizion)	45	45	32	45	45	46	43	43	43	44	43	5
MUX 7 (ADTN)	23	23	25	23	23	25	35	32	21	35	35	5
Lokale	29	26	27	29	-	37		34	-	42	-	

#### 11.4.2 Audio-visual band frequency coordination

During 2021, AMA has continued the process of coordination with the signatory countries of the Agreement GE06 on the frequency reorganization of the respective frequency plans, for the identification of optimization spaces and the increase of broadcasting capacities.

Based on neighbouring countries requests for coordination, AMA has conducted technical studies and verified the compliance of proposals submitted by countries in the region with the provisions GE06 Plan.

The administrations of Croatia, Montenegro and Italy have requested AMA's approval regarding the frequency assignments in the UHF band, according to which Albania is considered affected by the changes of this Plan.

During this year, there were also performed coordination procedures in compliance with:

- Final acts of GE-75 Regional Conference "On audio broadcasting in the frequency bands LF / MF (Region 1 and 3)", pursuant to the notifications received from the Italian administration.
- Final acts of the GE-84 Regional Conference "On the planning of audio broadcasting in the VHF band (Region 1 and some parts of Region 3)", based on notifications received from the administrations of Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Bulgaria.

In the framework of the coordination process of VHF III band for digital audio/audio-visual broadcasting (in DVB-T2 and T-DAB technology) with the countries that are washed by Adriatic and Ionian Sea waters (Italy, Croatia, Slovenia, Montenegro, Bosnia -Herzegovina, Greece and Albania), initiated by the Italian administration, there have been organized even during 2021 several meetings, in order to reallocate and use this band efficiently, proportionately and with no harmful interference.

This process, initiated in October 2019, has continued with the next meetings on 17-19 February 2020 (organized in Rome), while the last meetings were conducted online due to COVID-19 pandemic (in July 2-3, 2020, November 10, 2020 and December 7, 2020, February 22, 2021, April 19, 2021, May 14, 2021 and December 17, 2021).

After many discussions and proposals between the participating administrations, it has been adopted, in principle, the new draft frequency plan for the reallocation of VHF III band, a procedure which is still in coordination with the countries that are washed by Adriatic and Ionian Sea waters, as well as the border countries of each administration of this group.

Based on the GE-06 Plan, Albania can build a national network enabling digital terrestrial audio-visual broadcasting (DTT) and two national networks enabling digital terrestrial audio broadcasting (T-DAB). Meanwhile, the new draft frequency plan for the reallocation of the VHF III band by the Adriatic and Ionian group, in contrast to the GE-06 Plan, enables, for the Albanian administration, in addition to the above, the third national network for T-DAB digital audio broadcasting.

Referring to the coordination procedure with neighbouring countries, which are not part of the Adriatic and Ionian group, Albania has coordinated with the administrations of Serbia, Northern Macedonia and Kosovo, to obtain their consent.

In this framework, Albania has received approval from the Serbian administration, for the proposed changes to the GE06 Plan, for the use of frequency channels in DTT and T-DAB services. Meanwhile, the Macedonian party has agreed on the frequency channels of the T-DAB service. The coordination process with the Macedonian party continues. AMA, has expressed its readiness for more detailed technical analysis, exchanging technical data with the Macedonian party, in order to complete the coordination procedure of frequency channels in the DTT service.

The coordination procedure of VHF III band will continue during 2022, in order to agree on the use of frequency channels by each administration party to the discussions, as well as the finalization of proposals upon the signing of a multilateral agreement between the participating countries.

Following the approval of the Digital Frequency Plan (not including the 700 MHz band), AMA has initiated the coordination procedure of the UHF band with neighbouring countries, by sending an official letter requesting cross-border coordination, in order to obtain approval from the relevant administrations, for the changes proposed of the GE-06 Plan.

In this framework, AMA, during October 2021, participated in bilateral meetings with Montenegro and Northern Macedonia, to inform them about the changes that have occurred in the new Albanian Digital Frequency Plan, as well as to demand their utmost commitment in speeding up the coordination procedures, given that we are within the limits set for the 700 MHz band release (June 30, 2022) in the spectrum policy document.

**During February and March 2022,** AMA has engaged in several bilateral meetings with countries in the region such as Montenegro, Northern Macedonia, Greece, Croatia, Italy to reach an agreement on the Albanian Frequency Plan. Currently, AMA has received the approval of the administrations of Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Northern Macedonia, Greece and Italy. We are coordinating with Serbia and Croatia, in order to complete the coordination process with all countries in the region.

The completion of the coordination process will pave the way for the 700MHz band release from audiovisual broadcasting and the use of this band for broadband (5G) services, the registration of frequency channels in the ITU, the implementation of relevant changes in national digital networks, as well as the signing, by the Albanian party, of multilateral agreements for the use of the UHF band, such as the SEDDIF and Adriatic and Ionian one.

#### 11.4.3 Frequency planning for audio services

For the planning and administration of the audio spectrum FM 87.5-108 MHz, AMA, has periodically evaluated the free capacities of audio frequencies, as well as updated the Frequency Use Plan for these services. The availability of free frequencies, of the FM audio band, remains another challenge for the regulatory authority, given that in the regions where there is more demand for this service such as Tirana, Durrës, Fier and Vlora, are identified shortages in finite sources, while there are available resources needed for other districts of the country.

During 2021, AMA has conducted technical studies in order to license interested entities to provide audio broadcasts in various districts of the country.

During this year, two radio entities have been licensed to provide analogue audio service in the Municipalities of Shkodra and Vau i Dejës, as well as in the districts of Tirana and Durrës, specifically:

- Decision no. 3, dated 18.01.2021, "Granting the license for the analogue audio broadcasting, to the company "I.B.C- TELECOM" sh.p.k., for the audio subject "Radio I.B.C" to cover with audio signal the "Municipalities of Shkodra and Vau i Dejës".
- Decision no. 21, dated 16.02.2021, for "Granting the license for regional analogue audio broadcasting, to the company "ABEG"sh.p.k., for the audio subject" Radio ST", to cover with audio signal "Districts of Tirana and Durrës ".

Technical studies have been also conducted for the opening of competitions on granting of analogue audio broadcasting licenses at the local/regional level.

Regarding its tasks, AMA has also conducted studies on the requests submitted by audio entities to change the broadcasting technical characteristics. Studies consist on performing technical calculations on the signal coverage of the service area and avoiding various interferences inside and outside the country. In the framework of improving the signal coverage of the service area, AMA has undertaken two decisions, specifically:

- By Decision no. 77, dated 28.06.2021, has approved "Granting the right to use frequencies 103.9 MHz and 101.7 MHz, the Albanian Radio and Television for the broadcasting points of Shashica (for Radio Tirana 1) and Pepellash (for Radio Korça), as well as

- By Decision No. 80, dated 27.07.2021, has approved the "Acceptance of the request of the association" "Radio Maria" licensed for the community radio "Radio Maria", to change the technical conditions of the license", in order to improve the quality signal coverage of the service area

Meanwhile, by Decision no. 10, dated 02.02.2021, AMA has approved the expansion of the licensing area of the company "Media New Vizion" licensed for the subject "Radio 1", to cover with audio signal the "Municipalities of Elbasan, Cërrik and Belsh".

#### 11.5 Addressing interference caused by audio/audio-visual operators

In the framework of the improvement in interferences identification, coming from neighbouring countries and those caused by broadcasting points in the territory of Albania, as well as taking measures to avoid them, even during 2021, AMA has had a special focus on monitoring FM audio spectrum, throughout the country. Monitoring aims to identify and resolve quickly interferences caused by signals emitted by broadcasters in neighbouring countries.

In this framework, AMA manages the centralized FM audio spectrum monitoring system, in 12 broadcasting stations. The FM audio spectrum, respectively in the cities of Kukës, Shkodër, Lezhë, Durrës, Fier, Vlorë, Berat, Gjirokastër, Korçë, Pogradec, Librazhd and Saranda is monitored on-line by this system. In addition to the immediate identification of interferences, the system enables:

- a) Immediate identification of cases when market operators change frequencies;
- b) Immediate identification of illegal use of audio spectrum;
- c) Control of the real broadcasting status of licensed audio entities (whether they are broadcasting or not);
- d) Control of technical parameters of audio subjects. In other cities, audio spectrum monitoring is performed periodically through the Mobile Frequency Monitoring Centre (FMC).

#### Interferences produced within the country

During 2021, AMA has not administered any complaints regarding interferences produced within the country

#### Interferences produced in neighbouring country

Regarding the interferences produced in neighbouring countries, during 2021, AMA has administered several complaints, received from neighbouring countries, regarding the following issues:

1 During 2020, AMA has administered the complaint of the Montenegrin administration, on causing harmful interference to the entity "Radio Elita" by our entity "Radio One". This issue was carried over during 2021, where AMA approved, with decision no. 17, dated 05.02.2021, the request acceptance of the subject "Dynamicsound" sh.p.k., to change the technical conditions

(change of frequency in the broadcasting point Fushë Dajt from 94 MHz to frequency 95.2 MHz), as well as specification of the licensing area of the entity in "Districts of Tirana, Durrës, Fier and Vlora", thus solving the problem. The use of 95.2 MHz frequency by the entity "Radio One" at the broadcasting point Fushë Dajt has been coordinated and has received approval from the Montenegrin party.

- 2 Meanwhile, during September/October 2021, AMA, has administered the complaint of the Macedonian regulatory authority (AEC-Agency for Electronic Communications), received in electronic form, through which it has expressed concern for the identification of harmful interferences in the territory of Struga, at the frequency 90.4 MHz, at the broadcasting point of Vishni of the audio entity FM "Radio Play", from the Radio Klan entity. This issue has been resolved in a very short time, taking the necessary measures to eliminate harmful interference.
- 3 Another complaint, on producing harmful interference, has been received from the administration of Northern Macedonia on the interference produced in the aeronautical band (108-137 MHz) by our operator "Radio Logos". Regarding to this issue, there were carried out the necessary findings, as well as measures were taken to regulate the broadcasting technical parameters and set them within the allowed norms, eliminating the harmful interference caused by this entity.

Referring to the interferences in the audio-visual broadcasts to our country or neighbouring countries, during 2021, AMA has administered the complaint of the Croatian regulatory authority, HAKOM, on the interferences produced in the region of Dubrovnik by the public audio-visual operator (RTSH) on channel Ch 21.

The Croatian regulatory authority has stated that channels Ch 21 and Ch 34, were put into operation in the region of Dubrovnik in 2020, when Croatia started the process of migrating audio-visual broadcasting from DVB-T technology to DVB-T2, in order to release the 700 MHz band and its use for the 5G service.

During April 2021, the Directorate of Frequency Planning and ICT (DPFTIK), has communicated by email with representatives of the Croatian regulatory authority, regarding the interference produced by our national audio-visual operators, in the channels Ch 21, Ch 34, Ch 39, Ch 41 and Ch 53, in the region of Dubrovnik. In these communications it has been stated that the frequency channels Ch 21 (for allotment AL005D) and Ch 34 (for allotment AL001D and AL005D), have been in use by our public operator for more than 4 years at the broadcasting point of Fushë Dajt. Meanwhile channels Ch 39, Ch 41 and Ch 53 are in use by our national private operators, in full compliance with the provisions of the GE06 Plan.

Also, inter alia, the Croatian regulatory authority has been informed that the replacement of the Ch21 channel with another frequency channel is currently impossible. This possibility can be considered only in the re-planning process, although it is very difficult, given the high number of national networks in our country (7 networks in total), as well as coordination agreements signed by neighbouring countries.

Regarding the above, AMA has proposed to the Croatian administration to take into account the current situation, and has expressed readiness for further coordination with Croatian experts, to find a technical solution as soon as possible to avoid harmful interventions.

## 12. AMA ACTING IN COMPLIANCE WITH TRANSPARENCY AND INCREASING INSTITUCIONAL REPUTATION

#### 12.1 Internal structure of the institution

Even during this pandemic year, AMA continued its function, in accordance with the new conditions created due to the pandemic in 2020, implementing the protocols set by the Ministry of Health and Social Defence and the Public Health Institution, as well as internal acts approved by AMA. The Audio-visual Media Authority has exercised its activity based on functional tasks, continuing its activity to fulfil the objectives and requirements for the supervision of the audio-visual activity.

In fulfilment of one of the objectives of the Strategic Action Plan 2021-2023, in the framework of communication and sectoral development, to achieve a more fruitful approach with the public, audio-visual media service providers and other stakeholders, in 2021, the Communication Strategy for 2021-2022 has been approved. Due to the situation created by COVID-19, this strategy is more specific, bringing some changes in the way of the institution's organization and communication plan. The purpose of this strategy is to inform and promote, with stakeholders and the general public, the objectives, initiatives; the impact and achievements in the field of audio and audio-visual media.

Through this strategy AMA has created a communication plan, for the period May 2021 to December 2022, which includes the type and typology of activities, period, message, stakeholders, communication channels to be used, budgets, human resources and tasks to be accomplished.

The Audio-visual Media Authority, as an institution involved in the national internship program, also during 2021, has become part of Call VI of the National Internship Program. Based on the applicable legal and sub-legal framework, AMA included, in its activity, the teaching internship of some students, who successfully completed the internship at the organizational units of AMA gaining a qualifying experience for further development of personal professional and communication skills.

Following the obligations deriving from the legislation of HIDAACI, with decision no. 43 dated 18.03.2021, AMA approved the regulation "On the prevention of conflicts of interest and the declaration of assets in exercising public functions by the administration of the Audio-visual Media Authority". This act has been forwarded to HIDAACI and aims to guarantee an impartial, transparent decision-making, in the best possible interest of the public and its trust, by the officials of the Audio-visual Media Authority, through the prevention of conflict between public interests and private ones, in exercising public functions in the Audio-visual Media Authority.

During 2021, the meetings of AMA members have continued in normal basis and, in special cases, were held through online platforms. In total, during this reporting year, there were held 25 meetings. From March 2021, following the resignation of one of AMA's members, AMA's meetings during 2021 were held with 4 (four) members.

#### 12.2 Transparency program

The Audio-visual Media Authority, as an independent public institution, in addition to its activity, defined in law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania" as amended, must ensure to be transparent to the public, implementing the provisions deriving from law no. 119/2014 "On the Right to Information".

Pursuant to Order no. 187, dated 18.12.2020, of the Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection "On the approval of the revised Transparency Program", AMA approved, on March 29, 2021, the new transparency program, which has been published on the official website of the institution, according to the instructions of the Commissioner for the Right to Information.

The transparency program, revised, is divided into several subcategories for the publication of information by the public authority, where among the most important are as follows:

- AMA related information,
- Legal regulatory framework,
- The right to information and complain,
- Control and monitoring mechanisms operating on AMA,
- AMA's budget and financial data information,
- Information on procurement procedures/ competitive concession/\public-private partnership procedures,
- Services provided by AMA,
- Procedures/mechanisms for giving opinions regarding the process of drafting laws/by-laws, public policies or regarding the exercise of AMA functions
- Document management system, types and forms of documents,
- Register of requests and responses,
- Social assistance / subsidies provided by AMA,
- The most frequently requested information/ documents and those deemed useful for publication by AMA.

During 2021, the Audio-visual Media Authority received about 103 information requests, the answers of which were provided within the deadline provided by law (10 working days), thus setting a positive review for AMA.

AMA updates and publishes the "Register of Requests and Responses" once in three months, which contains requests for information that have arrived at the institution and the answers that AMA has provided to applicants.

#### 12.3 AMA's activities

Despite the pandemic situation, AMA has carried out a series of activities and meetings with counterparts/interest groups or collaborators.

> International Conference "Protection of Children in Audio-visual Media"

On October 13, 2021, there was held the International Conference, in Tirana, on "Protection of children in audio-visual media", which has been organized by the Audio-visual Media Authority.

AMA's Chairperson, Armela Krasniqi guaranteed, in her speech that AMA will continue the regular and strict monitoring for the implementation of the provisions deriving from the "Broadcasting Code" and the strengthening of penalties for audio-visual media service providers that violate the provisions of this code on protection of children and announced that, based on AMA's strategy for 2021-2023, there will be a review of the Broadcasting Code.

The OSCE Representative on the Freedom of the Media, Teresa Ribeiro, stated that "the right to freedom of expression, especially that of children, emphasizes the importance of human rights protection. Praising AMA for organizing the conference, Ribeiro said that "I have just concluded the media conference for Southeast Europe, which this year was held in Tirana. This conference on journalism, in this time of crisis, serves to explain the importance of journalism to the public and, as a key pillar of our democratic society. This conference provided extremely important opportunities to discuss about the freedom of media and freedom of expression in the region".

The international Conference "Protection of children in audio-visual media was conceived and organized in three discussion panels. There were experts from Great Britain, Belgium, Germany, as well as professors and experts in the field from the country and the region.

The first panel discussed the "Regulatory process and protection of children".

importance of media education for children, as a challenge for democratic societies.

The General Manager of PA Media Group in the United Kingdom, Clive Marshall, the Executive Director of KSF in Germany, Stefan Linz and the founder and CEO of Wagner-Hatfield (Belgium) Jean-François Furnémont, shared the experiences of their countries in this regard. The discussion was enriched by Mrs. Elma Tershana who presented the studies of and findings of the observatory for the protection of children.

The second panel was dedicated to the great need that "Media Education" has received nowadays.

The member of the panel Remzi Lani, from the Albanian Media Institute, professors Iris Luarasi and Elvin Luku, the expert Emiliano Kaziaj, RTUK Supreme Council expert Yusuf Demirtas emphasized the

The third panel discussed advertising and promotion for children. UNICEF Representative Mr. Roberto De Bernardi, Professor Alban Tartari, the expert from Montenegro, Jadranka Vojvodic, the representative from the Agency for Children's Protection Anila Bregu, discussed the impact of advertising and promotion for and to the children. According to them, there is a need for increased interaction between all stakeholders,

who operate and have a role in this field.

This conference is an added value and a good moment of reflection for all stakeholders involved, the media, society and the community, on their role in educating minors. AMA aims to turn meetings of this nature and level into a work habit and activity, with the belief that caring for children is the greatest value we can give to society.

#### ➤ Meeting with the SUADA Center on Copyright

On January 14, 2021, AMA organized a round table with representatives of the SUADA Center on Copyright. The participants in this round table estimated its organization as useful, as a concrete effort to create a space for discussion and expertise, as only through open and direct communication issues are evaluated reasonably and stakeholders will be able to overcome shortcomings and obstacles, through better interaction and coordination.

#### ➤ Meeting with media representatives on the 700 MHz band release (DD2)

On the premises of the Audio-visual Media Authority, on January 20, 2021, the Directorate of Frequencies and ICT welcomed media representatives in our country, to closely discuss the 700 MHz frequency band release. During this meeting, the participants discussed the challenges and steps that are expected to be taken in the future, for the 700 MHz band release (DD2).

#### > AMA staff joins 'Donate Blood' initiative

The Albanian Red Cross Initiative "Donate blood and make the world a healthier place", in order to enrich the blood bank to provide enough blood for thalassaemic children, was supported by the Audio-visual Media Authority for the fourth year in a row.

# > Exchange of experiences in covering election campaigns between AMA and IMC - a new space for cooperation between the two regulatory authorities

A delegation from the Independent Media Commission of Kosovo (IMC) was on an official business visit to the premises of the Audio-visual Media Authority.

The process of monitoring the way audio and audio-visual entities cover the election campaign was the main topic between the representatives of the delegations from the two audio-visual regulatory authorities.

#### > AMA's delegation, official business visit at the Independent Media Commission (IMC)

The delegation of the Audio-visual Media Authority (AMA), headed by the Chairperson of AMA, Mrs. Armela Krasniqi, paid an official business visit at the Independent Media Commission (IMC) in Kosovo. In this meeting, the AMA delegation was received by the Chairperson of the IMC, Mr. Xhevat Latifi and other IMC members.

The main topics of discussion were the current developments for both regulatory authorities, the continuation of institutional cooperation and the possibilities of expanding this cooperation and, in the future, the amendment of some by-laws of the IMC on the regulation of the media in Kosovo.

#### > Journalism students at Bedër University are introduced to the AMA

The Chairperson of the Audio-visual Media Authority, Armela Krasniqi, welcomed in the premises of the institution some students of Journalism and Communication, from "Bedër" University.

In this round table, Krasniqi introduced the students with AMA's daily work and challenges, and shared her experience in the field of journalism, as well. At the end of the meeting, journalism students visited some of the departments and met closely with AMA staff. Some of the AMA's publications were added to the library of students participating in the meeting and the possibility for future internships was left open.

#### ➤ AMA, regional roundtable for the implementation of EU Directive 2018/1808

The Audio-visual Media Authority and the Independent Media Commission - IMC - held a business meeting in Tirana. The implementation of Directive 2018/1808 is one of the obligations stemming from the various international commitments of the two countries and as such it requires decision-making and full commitment of both institutions. AMA and IMC availed of this opportunity to exchange information on the work done so far in this regard, focusing on the way each country will implement the said Directive.

#### ➤ Hate speech in the media, AMA-KMD-UET - discussion forum

The Communication Department at UET, in cooperation with the Commissioner for Protection from Discrimination and the, organized a forum on managing hate speech in the media, in the form of denigration or stigma.

In terms of this phenomenon, AMA and KMD have undertaken an awareness campaign to challenge hatred and discrimination in the media, in order to raise awareness of as many actors or elements of Albanian society.

During 2021, AMA representatives have participated in more than 37 conferences, meetings, round tables both inside and outside the country, with counterparts and collaborators on topics related to AMA activity.

In August, the Chairperson Armela Krasniqi received in a meeting at the premises of AMA, the OSCE Ambassador of Albania Vincenzo Del Monaco. During this meeting, the two representatives discussed the challenges that media faces nowadays and the need to strengthen cooperation in this regard. Also in August, Mrs. Krasniqi held a virtual meeting with AMA counterparts in Finland, Traficom. In the virtual meeting between the representatives, the main topics of discussion were: implementation of Directive 2018/1808; media education; protection of children in audio/audio-visual media; audience measurement etc.

In September, the Chairperson of AMA, together with representatives of AMA, participated in a series of international meetings, more specifically in the International Conference on "Using modern tools on measuring the audience", organized by the Service of Public Media in the Western Balkans, in Belgrade, Serbia; at the 29th meeting of the General Assembly of the Alliance of News Agencies of the Western Balkans and Southeast Europe (ABNA), in Prishtina, Kosovo.

AMA has strengthened its presence in regional and international meetings, which discuss recent challenges and developments in the field of media. In this regard, in September of the reporting year, Mrs. Krasniqi participated in the Regional Conference on Media Regulatory Authorities: "The role of national media regulatory authorities in the new paradigms - revised AVMSD" organized by the Council of Europe, Montenegro. The conference is a continuation of the Project cooperation "Freedom of Expression and Freedom of the Media in Southeast Europe (JUFREX 2)", which provides a platform for the exchange of experiences, opinions and knowledge on topics important for regulatory authorities work. These meetings enable expanded discussions on elections, media pluralism, hate speech, digital services, new developments in

the fight against disinformation and the ongoing work of the Council of Europe and the European Union in this area.

In October, the Chairperson of AMA participated in the 75th Anniversary Conference of the Austrian Press Agency (APA) organized by the European Alliance of News Agencies (EANA) and the General Assembly, in Vienna, Austria.

The Chairperson of the Audio-visual Media Authority, Armela Krasniqi, in July held a introductory meeting with the High Representative for Media Freedom at the OSCE. During this meeting, Mrs Krasniqi as the Chairperson of AMA, spoke about the vision that will lead her activity. During this meeting, she focused on the main pillars of AMA's activity, such as the protection and rights of children, protection of journalists, copyright, the transposition of the EU directive AVMS 2018/1808 and other issues in the media space, which require constant attention.

In December, the Chairperson of the Audio-visual Media Authority, Mrs. Armela Krasniqi held a business meeting on the Central Management Office of the State Media Authorities in the Federal Republic of Germany. In this meeting, Mrs. Krasniqi was welcomed by Dr. Wolfgang Kreissig, Chairman of the Directors of the State Media Authorities (DLM) which consists of 14 german regulatory authorities, divided by states, and Mr. Peter Matzneller, Director of Foreign Affairs and Vice-Chairperson of the EPRA Board. The officials discussed on the common challenges faced by regulatory authorities today, as well as the need to strengthen cooperation through the exchange of information, and above all by acting in line with of best practices in the sector.

#### 12.4 AMA in cooperation with partners

#### Project "Broadcasting Code and young people, how much and how well do they recognize it"

The purpose of the project focuses on gathering information about the recognition of young people from the age of 15-29 for television, as well as their assessments about the role of the mass media in education, awareness and entertainment of the youth.

The survey conducted, within this project, is entirely based on the Broadcasting Code, based on each section. The code itself was drafted pursuant to law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", amended and based on the reference of a broad Albanian legal corpus and international conventions.

300 field surveys completion, within the age group of young people from 15-29 years old, in five regions of the country, respectively: 60 surveys in Elbasan, 60 surveys in Lezha, 60 surveys in Kukës, 60 surveys in Vlora and 60 surveys in Tirana were conducted hand in hand with the project team submitting and processing data, in order to not only measure the familiarity of the young people with the Broadcasting Code but also to issue recommendations for the issues found in audio-visual broadcastings regarding the Code.

In addition to gathering information this survey, has directly influenced in informing young people about the principles of the Code, as the questions themselves are made based on the principles and basic pillars of the Broadcasting Code.

The survey presents a wide range of quantitative and qualitative data on the observance and, in particular, on the violation that television programs show against the norms and principles of the Code. In this spirit, this study aims to convey to the public and the media, not only a publication with indicators, but also it provides an overview of integrated information based on the problems and qualities of television programming, (including news editions) with entertainment topics, socio-cultural, aimed at children and young people. The main importance of this study lies upon the critical approach in the media content in terms of non-application of ethics principles, a thesis which is confirmed by the responses of the target group. According to the answers of the survey, an overview of data on the demands of the youth audience is obtained, a space which has lacked, to some extent, studies and articles in the field of communication and media. The study also sets forth recommendations for the Authority, media, civil society, etc.

#### Project "Education on media and information by each and every one"

The Albanian Media Institute, SEI, through the project supported by AMA, has as a main objective, to monitor and analyse the problems concerning fabricated news, or the spread of disinformation, disinformation as aspects of being known as information disorder (or false information).

According to SEI the focus of this phenomena is associated today, with the most noted instrument in journalism and communication, which is Education on Media and Information, EMI, (or Media and Information Literacy - MIL). SEI, has set out two issues throughout the long-term commitment in this project not only in the Albanian media, but also on the global media, as challenges of society to increase the level of education of the public in understanding and "reading" as more content, which is published or broadcasted by traditional media outlets, or by the social networking system.

By taking into consideration the steps taken by SEI in the implementation of this project, three main products are identified namely, conducting a research study, carrying out a publication, as well as organizing a roundtable with representatives of the community of journalists, experts, civil society, etc.

The study includes a part of performance monitoring, problems and of challenges at the same time, as well

as a professional analysis.

# Project ''Identification of problems related to disinformation - fake news in audio-visual media, protection of audiences from disinformation and fake news.''

The project conducted desk research, which helped define the monitoring and survey methodology. The aim of the project is to identify cases of misinformation specifically fake news in the audio-visual media and to propose measures to ensure the protection of audiences from such a phenomenon, through understanding misinformation of fake news and further education for the media.

During the desk research, experiences, aims and methods were examined, which will help in the approach to misinformation, disinformation in the audio-visual media. Empirically, the "Aleph Organization" conducted a survey through a questionnaire with at least 26 closed-ended questions, with 180 people online, in order to obtain reliable answers. Throughout the monitoring of selected media, it became possible to measure the degree of disinformation in the news editions in the media, achieving an approximate measurement for the audio-visual market in general.

One of the main activities was audio-visual media monitoring in order to identify the extent of misinformation, disinformation - false news in audio-visual broadcasts. 4 TV channels were selected respectively, two of which were news and two general, which were monitored for 15 days, divided over a month in the broadcasts of news editions in prime time (respectively 19:30; 20:00; 19:00 and 15:00)

The other main activity was also the survey. The survey was conducted on 5 May 2021 - 23 May 2021. 57% of respondents are female while 43% are male, in which the average age is 21.8 years. 63% of respondents are undergraduate students belong mainly to the Faculty of Economics, History-Philology, Law, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Fine Arts, Architecture and Urbanism, Mechanics, etc.

The survey obtained data on the impact of misinformation broadcasts of various degrees to the public and, meanwhile, we measured the level of media education in relation to the false news of the target group in this project, as well as the impact of advertising in the decision-making or perspective of the respondents. The survey was conducted with 180 people, online, via e-mail, as required, respecting the distancing measures due to Covid-19.

The final publication included *desk research*, monitoring findings, survey findings, project conclusions and recommendations, which were summarized in a publication equipped with ISBN.

# "Election monitoring and priorities to be addressed in the future. A comparative analysis in the three region countries: Albania, Kosovo, Northern Macedonia"

According to this analysis, in the three countries where the study was conducted, television is the main source of information, but the importance of portals has increased significantly in recent years. In Albania there is no legal regulatory framework for portals, but only for television and radio. In Northern Macedonia, the Electoral Code provides the same rules for televisions, journalists and portals. In Kosovo, the traditional media space is largely regulated by law and supervised by relevant institutions, while online media remain unregulated.

Regarding some elements, such as the broadcasting of advertisements or the relation of journalists with political parties, the obligations and monitoring of the media in Northern Macedonia start from the moment the election date is announced. In Albania and Kosovo, this obligation starts on the day the election campaign begins.

In Albania and Northern Macedonia lack the in-depth and analytical reporting of the election campaign. In Kosovo, the Independent Media Commission (IMC), in addition to quantitative analysis, also evaluates and qualitatively analyses the presentation of the campaign by the media. However, there is still room for improvement in order to have a better presentation of the data.

# "Adjustment of techniques for stabilization and maintenance of the maximum level of volume and noise in television"

The project "Adjustment of techniques for stabilization and maintenance of the maximum level of volume and noise in television", was implemented by the non-profit organization "New Vision Organization" (NEO).

Its focus has been the analysis and selection of best practices in the European Union and beyond, in terms of regulating techniques for stabilizing and maintaining the maximum level of volume and noise on television and radio and submitting proposals for AMA later on.

At the first phase, the organization monitored 25 programs, gathering data from each television, in different time slots as well as in their dynamic programming.

The organization has consulted the legal basis of the most important international institutions, which deal with this market regulation, preserving the public rights not to use noise and high-level audio during advertising or promotional spaces, aiming to attract attention for commercial reasons.

In the final product, the non-profit organization "New Vision Organization" (NEO), prepared recommendations for AMA, in compliance with the EU, ITU and EBU recommendations, in terms of monitoring techniques and recommendations for audio-visual operators.

#### 12.5 Cooperation agreements

#### **AMA-AKEP Cooperation**

The Audio-visual Media Authority and the Electronic and Postal Communications Authority signed, on 03.11.2021, the Memorandum of Cooperation in order to guarantee and uphold the operational, technical and legal support in areas of common interest for both parties.

The institutions are committed to cooperate for its realization and implementation in accordance with this memorandum in the following directions:

- 700 MHz band (DD2) band release by AMA, and taking over the administration of this band by AKEP.
- Establishment of a TASK-FORCE, with joint representatives from both institutions in order to fight against illegality regarding the non-copyright broadcasts through electronic communications networks.
- Establishment of a joint group, which will continuously follow the problems of interferences caused by entities, whose activity is included in these institutions scope as well as interferences reported by the regulatory authorities of neighbouring countries;
- Establishment of a unified inventory of frequencies, based on the legal obligations set for both institutions regarding the "Approval of the longaeval program for spectrum policy and action plan" as well as the by-laws issued for its implementation.

#### Cooperation agreement with the Polytechnic University of Tirana

Pursuant to law no. 97/2013 "On audio-visual media in the Republic of Albania", as amended; law no. 80/2015, dated 22.07.2015 "On higher education and scientific research in higher education institutions in the Republic of Albania", as amended, as well as the legislation in force in the respective fields, during the joint work processes of the two institutions, on April 7, 2021, the Polytechnic University of Tirana and the Audio-visual Media Authority (AMA) signed the Memorandum of Understanding "On Inter-Institutional Cooperation and Interaction".

In implementation of this agreement, the parties signed a Service Contract on June 7, 2021, with the object "Attendance / Participation in ITU study groups, which addresses the regulatory and technical issues of audio / audio-visual broadcasting".

FTI (UPT) obligations inter alia include:

- Following and participating in the study groups set up by ITU structures and specifically the Office of Radiocommunications, the Office of Standardization and the Office of Development, for audio-visual issues.
- Engaging in the questionnaire's completion prepared by these working groups, in close cooperation with AMA.
- Analysing the conclusions drawn from the study groups and expressing the opinion at the academic level regarding these conclusions.

Regarding the above, FTI (UPT), submitted to AMA in December 2021, the final information on the proposals of ITU working groups, as well as the conclusions drawn from them, regarding the technical and regulatory issues of audio broadcasting / audio-visual.

This material will help AMA, for the preliminary preparation on the issues that will be discussed and approved at the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) to be held in 2023, for which the Albanian administration, as a member with full rights in ITU, has the power on decision making.

#### 12.6 Publication of AMA Periodic Bulletin

During 2021, AMA prepared the 7th Edition of the Periodic Bulletin, which provides an overview of the dynamics in the audio / audio-visual market, including indicators of economic and financial nature, technical and technological, ownership, content, human resources engaged, etc., in 2020. The Bulletin is a standardized and sustainable product, as a concrete help to analyse the problems and trends within a year or by making comparisons from one period to another.

The Periodic Bulletin is an auxiliary material not only for the media service provider staff, where the performance or certain segments of their entity in connection with the whole market is shown, but the *hard copy* or *soft copy* version is preferred by market audio / audio-visual, researchers, journalism and communication students, for local and foreign institutions that monitor and support projects and programs in the media sector, etc.

#### 12.7 Management of the human resource performance

The public servants training is a very important element of the legislation in the public service field and from the level of its implementation can be assessed the qualitative level of the administration of this institution during the realization of its mission. Considering in this perspective, also during 2021, in cooperation with the Albanian School of Public Administration (ASPA), the Directorate of Human Resources and Foreign Affairs has followed and coordinated the participation of all public servants in the on-line training provided, in order to enhance knowledge and improve performance.

Efforts have also been made for the participation and training of the institution staff in meetings and workshops organized within various projects where AMA is a party. Specifically, we mention the project "Technology of audio/audio-visual broadcasting in the digital world", a project which is made possible by AMA in cooperation with the Institute of Albanian Broadcasting Engineers. This project aimed to complete the knowledge of engineers and technicians on digital broadcasting both television (DVB-T2) and radio (DAB / DAB +). In this activity, the technical staff was introduced to the latest developments in the field of audio-visual broadcasting, the innovations they bring, the needs of technological developments and those of human resources, required to follow and be innovative in embracing techniques and new standards of audio and audio-visual communications.

The commitment of AMA's staff to fulfil the obligations arising from the process of integration into the European Union, currently, in terms of the field of audio-visual policies, has been continuous and with maximum priority. In this context, AMA, following its commitment in the process of approving the National Plan for European Integration 2022 - 2024 (formerly PKIE 2021-2023) in cooperation with leading institutions of the chapters and contributing institutions, has become part of training people in charge of inter-institutional working groups on European Integration, on the chapters of the *acquis* in which the Audio-visual Media Authority is involved.

AMA evolves as an institution that possesses knowledge, learns from experience and supports the deepening of employees' knowledge. In this context, in the plan of professional development of the employee, a training was organized, with the staff of the institution, during 2021, on the topic "AMA engagement in the election monitoring process and the coverage of the election campaign in the media audio-visual, challenges and conclusions".

#### 13. FINANCIAL INDICATORS AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

#### 13.1 Management of financial resources

The Audio-visual Media Authority, as a self-financing institution, creates and ensures with its own financial resources the fulfilment of its functions. In this prism, the improvement of the financial indicators of the activity of the Authority has been one of the realized objectives of AMA, in implementation of the strategy and 3-year action plan, 2021-2023.

Based on Article 24, of law no. 97/2013, AMA sources of funding are:

- a) income from payments for obtaining and renewing licenses and/or authorizations;
- b) income from annual fees for licenses and/or authorizations;
- c) revenues from the administrative processing of application requests;
- *ç*) revenues from tariffs for broadcasting services specified in fiscal laws, in the role of tax agent;
- d) financing from the State Budget;
- dh) other legal sources.

AMA by means of Decision no. 153, dated 24.12.2020, has approved the draft budget for 2021 for "**Total Income**" (Expected Current Income; Income from debtors of the previous year; Income carried forward from the previous year; and "**Total Expenditures**" (Wages, contributions and compensations; Goods and services; Current investments).

Decision no. 153, dated 24.12.2020 has undergone some changes during 2021, mainly for the monitoring of the electoral process, for the parliamentary elections of April 25, 2021.

# 13.2 Implementation of funding sources in 2021 Performance of self-financing sources for "Current income of the period" and "Income from debtors of the previous year"

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No.	Туре	Income forecast for 2021	Financial liabilities related to the audio- visual media service providers licensed / authorized in 2021 (Invoicing during the year 2021)	Revoked / stated invalid licenses / authorizations and / invoicing systems during 2021	Remission of the liability for default interest with decision no. 70, dated 19.05.2021	Total income accomplishe d in 2021	Realization in % (accordi ng to the draft budget)	Realization in % (by accuracy)
		1	2	3	4	5	6=5/(1-3- 4)*100%	7=5/(2-3- 4)*100%
A	Current income for the period (1+2+3+4+5+6+7)	235.380	220.520	2.764		220.009		
1	Income from license / authorization + fees for renewals	210.130	216.718	2.168		202.107	97	94

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	a) Realization of							
	payments by local		16.625			14.375		
	private		10.023			17.075		
	television entities							
	b) Realization of							
	payments from							
	national digital		56.593			56.593		
	terrestrial, satellite		00.070			20.070		
	and							
	local networks							
	c) Realization of							
	payments by							
	entities obtained		55.488			50.785		
	authorization from		33.400			30.763		
	AMA for OTT,							
	IPTV,							
	Internet TV							
	d) Realization of							
	payments by local		20.506			10.005		
	private analogue		20.596			18.087		
	radio entities							
	e) Realization of							
	payments by entities							1
	authorized by AMA		67.416	2.168		62.267		
	(cable)							
2	Income as a tax	645	662	7		632	99	96
4	agent	045	002	,		032	99	90
	- From licensed /		662	7		619		
	authorized		002	/		019		
	entities							
	- From entities							
	revoked licenses/					13		
	authorizations							
	Income from							
2		1.305	2 140			2 100	238	99
3	administrative	1.305	3.140			3.100	236	99
	processing							
4	Income from	100				29	29	
	bank interest	100				2)	2)	
	Other income (DVD							
5	broadcast, material	60				63	105	
	photocopies)	00				0.5		
6	Other income:	23.140		589	1.425	13.606	64	
	-From default interest	5.290		84	1.425	3.663		
	-From fines	420		07	123	511		
		420				311		
	-From debtors of							1
	previous years	17.279		505		9.432		
	(licenses /	17.277		505		7.752		
	authorizations							
	+ 5% RTV fee)							
	-Income from							
7	debtors revoked					472		
•	license/ authorization	150				.,2		
	Salary income					400		
D						408		
В	returned by former							
В	returned by former AMA employees							
В	returned by former	235.379	220.520	2.764	1.425	220.417	95	

During the calendar year 2021, AMA marked again an increase in the receivables of its funding sources, thus achieving the fulfilment of objectives of this year and the realization of the annual budget forecast. Achieving these results was made possible by following the payment of financial obligations created in 2021, of licensed / authorized entities, through written, electronic mail and telephone communication. During the reporting year, AMA has investigated judicial bodies for the collection of financial liabilities incurred to the AMA and the State Budget by entities whose licenses / authorizations have been revoked or invalidated, during the years 2016-2021.

Under the conditions created by the difficulties from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as reflecting through the social dimension in easing the financial liabilities of the audio-visual media service providers, mainly to the audio broadcasting entities, AMA approved the decision no. 70, dated 19.05.2021, "On the approval of financial facilitation for audio and audio-visual entities".

The above-mentioned decision had some financial effects for 2021, specifically the financial assistance was given as follows:

- For 3 (three) of the entities licensed by AMA as community audio, an immediate assistance in the amount of ALL 600,000 (200,000 ALL / entity) was granted.
- For entities licensed / authorized by AMA which were financially liable for default interests incurred until the end of 2020 and which were outstanding by the date of approval of the decision (19.05.2021), their remission was decided. The total amount of remissioned default interest was ALL 1,425,148.

Meanwhile referring to one of the AMA's decision provisions, no. 70, dated 19.05.2021, for the categories of audio subjects was decided, only for 2022, the benefit of the reduction of the annual license fee, according to certain modalities, and was set as a condition for the benefit of this reduction, full repayment of outstanding liabilities from this category by June 30, 2021. From this provision, the beneficiary entities for 2022, are as follows:

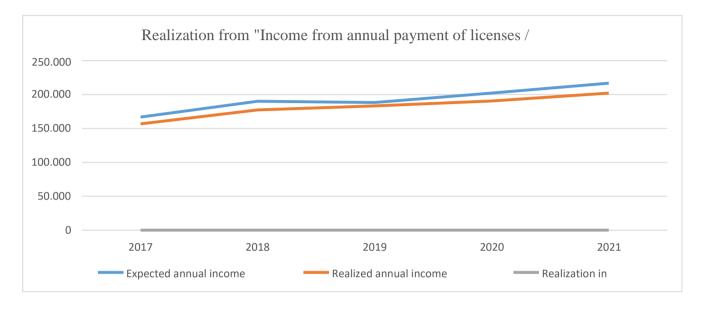
- 8 entities licensed for analogue audio broadcastings with service area up to 1 (one) municipality, benefited from the remission of the annual license fee for 2022.
- 34 entities licensed for analogue audio broadcastings with service area over 1 (one) municipality up to 4 (four) districts, received a remission of 50% of the annual license fee for 2022.
- 3 entities licensed for national analogue audio broadcasting, benefited the remission in the amount of ALL 500,000, from the annual license fee for 2022.

The main source of AMA self-financing is "Income from annual license / authorization fee liabilities". During 2021, AMA has continued with the increasing trend of receivables of its funding sources, where the item "Income from annual license / authorization fee liabilities", for the period 2017-2021 is presented as follows:

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Years	Expected annual income	Realized annual income	Realization in %
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2017	166.773	156.661	94%
2018	190.052	177.352	93%
2019	188.192	183.229	95%
2020	201.973	190.573	94%
2021	216.717	202.107	94%



Sub-item "Revenues from fines", based on point 13, article 133, of law no. 97/2013, which stipulates that: "...The fine is an executive title that is performed by the bailiff service and is paid 80 percent in the State Budget and 20 percent in the AMA's budget", provides AMA's revenue, for 2021, in the amount of ALL 420,000 (ALL  $2,100,000 \times 20\% = ALL 420,000$ ).

At the end of 2021, as a result of payments from the entities themselves or as a result of contracts concluded with private bailiffs, AMA collected ALL 2,553,100, of which ALL 510,620 belong to the institution's revenues.

The accomplishment of the performance of executive titles, for sanctions with fines, during the years 2017-2021, for the collected receipts and the revenues, which belong to the institution, is presented as follows:

000 ALL

Executive titles with fine sanction / years	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total receipts (100%)	11.326	12.977	8.832	2.008	2.553
AMA's income (20%)	2.265	2.595	1.766	402	511

During 2021, there was an increase in the collection of payments for sanctions with fines compared to the forecast made in the amount of ALL 420,000.

#### 13.3 Financial liabilities of the audio-visual media service providers

#### a) Licensed / authorized audio-visual media service providers during 2021

The summary overview of licensed / authorized audio-visual media service providers, which results in financial liabilities to AMA and the State Budget, until the end of 2021, is presented as follows:

000 ALL

Categorization of entities	Licence / Authorization	The charge for radio and television broadcasting services RTV	Default interest	Total
Analogue televisions	2.441	7	915	3.363
National terrestrial, satellite and local digital networks	-	-	469	469
Internet-based program provider / repetitive (IPTV/OTT)	4.702	-	2.144	6.846
Analogue radio	2.228	833	898	3.959
Repetitive program supported on cable network	3.977	-	1.450	5.427
Total amount	13.348	840	5.876	20.064

# b) Audio-visual media service providers with licenses / authorizations revoked / statement of invalidity, in the years 2015-2021

During 2021, AMA has taken decisions to revoke / state the invalidity of licenses / authorizations. 4 (four) audio-visual media service providers resulted in financial liabilities, in the total amount of ALL 719,368. This amount consists of:

- 2 (two) entities authorized to repeat the service of the third-party program based on the cable network, in the amount of ALL 74,790;
- 1 (one) entity authorized to provide program services in the OTT network, in the amount of ALL 415,095;
- 1 (one) entity licensed for local private television, in the amount of ALL 229,483.

In 2021, with AMA's decision, the measure of obligation for an entity in the amount of ALL 18,520,000 was written off, whose authorization to repeat the service of the audio-visual program based on the Internet (IPTV) has become invalid.

Meanwhile, during 2021, debtors (license / authorization revoked) have voluntarily and through the private bailiff service been paid, liabilities to AMA and the State Budget in the total amount of ALL 727,022.

Regarding the above mentioned, the amount of financial liabilities of entities revoked licenses / authorizations or state their invalidity, was reduced from ALL 113,554,678 to ALL 95,027,024, as follows:

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Categorization of entities/years	Analogue televisions		Program repetitive		Program provider		Analogue radio	
	Entity no.	The amount of financial liabilitie	Entity no.	The amount of financial liabilitie	Entity no.	The amount of financial liabilitie	Entity no.	The amount of financial liabilitie
2015	-	-	5	10.405	-	-	-	-
2016	4	5.388	13	40.557	2	25.042	3	1.923
2017	3	415	7	2.754	1	162	3	1.105
2018	6	3.179	7	670	-	-	1	106
2019	2	100	2	2.122	-	-	1	0.3
2020	1	415	1	87	-	-	1	114
2021	1	17	1	51	1	415	-	-
Total				95.	027			

#### 13.4 Use of financial resources in 2021

During the reporting year, AMA has managed financial resources based on the amended draft budget for 2021, as well as the Public Procurement Forecast Register, as amended.

In the framework of monitoring the electoral process, for the parliamentary elections of April 25, 2021, as well as the requests of the directorates / units, AMA has made some necessary changes in its draft budget.

#### 13.4.1 Expenditures and investments in 2021

 $000\,ALL$ 

No.	Expenditures/ Investments	Plan	Additions/ Omissions during 2021	Accu racy	% of realization
		1	2	3	3/(1+2)*100
	Current expenses (a+b)	210.868	19.199	136.945	60
I	a) Salary, social and health insurance contributions, compensation	85.543	7.178	86.984	94

	b) Expenditures on goods and services	125.325	12.021	49.961	36
	Investment expenses (a+b)	38.329	1.232	22.568	57
	a) Intangible fixed assets	31.810	946	16.661	51
	- Studies and research (2021)	15.000	-	8.066	
	- Studies, research, surveys (started in 2020, to be completed in 2021)	4.800	-	4.119	
II	-Programs/ applications	12.010	946	4.476	
	b) Tangible fixed assets	6.519	286	5.907	87
	- Purchase of electronic equipment (2021)	960	-	702	
	- Other office / technical tools and supplies	1.959	598	2.080	
	- Other office / technical tools and supplies (started in 2020, to be completed in 2021)	3.600	(312)	3.125	

#### 1. With its own funds, AMA accomplished:

Expenses for salaries and compensation, contributions for social and health insurance (for employees according to the organizational structure of AMA and outside the structure / call center), as well as the necessary expenses for goods and services required by its directorates/ units.

With its own funds, AMA covered the expenses for payments for external monitors, for the parliamentary elections of April 25, 2021.

With the draft budget for 2021, approved by decision no. 153, dated 24.12.2020, provided the remaining liability from AMA to the company "Media +" sh.a., in the amount of ALL 11,191,369.

AMA, following the written correspondence with the Private Judicial Bailiff and the company "Media +" sh.a .:

- paid on behalf of the company "Media +" sh.a. in the amount of ALL 7,824,471;
- reduced the financial liabilities of the company "Media +" sh.a. to AMA in the amount of ALL 766,898;
- pursuant to Confiscation Order no. 6/10 prot., dated 24.06.2021, ALL 2,600,000 ALL confiscated in one of the AMA bank accounts.

AMA, following the Cooperation Agreement with the Commissioner for Protection from Discrimination (KMD), approval in the draft budget for 2021, financially supported the KMD for the project: Challenge hatred - "Cases management of use of hate speech with religious background in the form of denigration, stereotyping and stigmatization", in the amount of ALL 1,496,500.

Developments in the same profile took place from the Ministry of Culture, which, following the financial support provided by AMA, in October 2020, for two projects, in the total amount of ALL 7,200,000 (ALL 3,600,000 / project), in 2021 completed the project "Education through Culture" in the amount of ALL 3,550,000, returning to AMA's account the unspent amount of ALL 50,000. Regarding the project "Film digitalization" the contract has been amended between the Ministry of Culture and AMA for its completion in 2022.

In 2021 as well, AMA continued to contribute financially for social and public (ecological) activities, donating trees to the Municipality of Tirana in the amount of ALL 620,400.

#### 13.4.2 Investment progress:

In the item "Intangible fixed assets", were accomplished:

- Item "Studies, research and surveys", divided as follows:

Projects started in 2020, to be completed in 2021, were accomplished in the amount of ALL 2,747,220 for financing projects with topics: "Audio/audio-visual broadcasting technology and infrastructure in the digital world"; "Media Convergence and the Post-Truth Phenomenon"; "Evaluation of audiences to compliance with the Broadcasting Code in audio-visual broadcasting by the audio-visual media service providers." Also in 2021, the project "Religious radios in Albania - Situation, Problems, Challenges" was finalized, in the amount of ALL 572,000.

Projects in 2021 were accomplished in the amount of ALL 8,065,475, for financing projects with topics: "Translations of foreign literature into Albanian"; "Traditional journalism opposing the new audiences. How is traditional Albanian journalism changing?"; "Attending / participating in ITU study groups dealing with regulatory, technical issues of audio / audio-visual broadcasting"; "Adjustment of techniques for stabilization and maintenance of the maximum level of volume and noise on television"; "Protecting audiences from fake news and identifying problems related to media education"; "Broadcasting Code and young people, how much and how well do they recognize it - Survey on the performance of the Broadcasting Code in audio-visual broadcasting"; "Education for media and information by each and every one"; "Election monitoring and priorities to be addressed in the future" (first phase).

- The item "Programs/ applications" was accomplished in the amount of ALL 4,476,000 for: "Programme (software) for recording audio (radio) subjects through the centralized FM system in 12 stations", "Software program for the Help-desk service", as well as "Purchase of software for data processing for the Central Election Commission" (item added in February 2021 to the draft budget of the year).

In the item "Fixed tangible assets" were accomplished:

- "Purchase of electronic/ computer equipment", in the amount of ALL 702,000.
- "Other office / technical tools and supplies":

Started in 2020, to be completed in 2021, accomplished in the amount of ALL 3,124,680 for the purchase of "Server / SAN (Storage Area Network)";

Started and accomplished in 2021 in the amount of ALL 2,080,348 for: External HDD; DVB-T2 65" TV, LTO Cassette; DVR; Decoder; Professional headphones; Chronometers; Working tools; Repair UPS M4T Evolution; Office furniture; Vase flowers for interiors; Thermometer, voltage apparatus and oximeter; Signalling equipment; Curtains; Paintings; Glass decoration.

#### 13.5 Financial statements

#### Income and Expenditure Statements as at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021

ALL

No.	Туре	2021	2020
A	Current income of the period	229227329	216208795
1	Income from license / authorization	215452298	202589141
2	Income as a tax agent	663.970	750.256
4	Income from administrative processing	3040000	3610000
5	Income from bank interest	28.769	38.803
6	Other income from fines, default interest for licenses / authorizations / fines	10042292	9220595
В	Operative Expenses	109557691	107261936
1	Office supplies	2248315	2777518
2	Salaries, compensations and other staff costs	93714755	87837125
3	Domicile maintenance costs	759.216	1409428
4	Costs for supply services	11171670	8643783
5	Transportation and car maintenance costs	1645135	2397292
6	Local tax	15.000	15.000
7	Court costs, legal	3.600	4181790
C	AMA's expenses of the operational activity	11068887	44427521
1	Consulting, training, market research	2003552	994.280
2	Representation expenses	9065335	2293641
3	Digitalization costs	-	41139600
D	Loss of the year	20020163	1153962
1	Fine repeal	29.000	424.720
2	Revocation of license/ authorization, settlements	19991163	729.242

E	Revocation of license/ authorization, settlements	1039821	-61.277
	Economic results (A-B-C-D-E)	87540767	63426653

# Statement of assets and liabilities for the years 2020-2021

ALL

No.	Туре	2021	2020
<i>A</i> .	Current assets (I - V)	634004088	617804863
I.	Detailed inventory	4126082	5165902
II.	Request for collection to third parties (1 - 4)	437710724	440095135
1	-License application	105063600	121708368
	(Accounts receivable)	15678871	13912683
	(License application revoked)	89384729	107795685
2	-Accounts for the RTV services fee	<u>7550440</u>	<u>7981265</u>
	(Accounts receivable)	1908145	2222272
	(License application revoked)	5642295	5758993
3	-Fine application	<u>296793722</u>	284466822
4	-Accounts for default interest	<u>28302962</u>	<u>25938680</u>
	(Accounts for default interest for licences/authorizations)	5866587	3502305
	(Accounts for default interest for fine)	22436375	22436375
III.	Other requests against third parties	5297652	5709452
	- Obligation to return amounts from former employees	2709156	3117156
	-Difference from the state for taxes and fees	5.483	6.283
	-Prepayments to third parties, personal fines, etc.	2583013	2586013
IV.	Financial support for ongoing projects	5096500	7200000
V.	Cash and Bank	181773130	159634374
В.	Long-term assets (I - II)	158450318	164700148
I.	Studies and net research	38290211	32768791
II.	Fixed net assets	120160107	131931357
	- Economic inventory	2936308	6877491
	- Technical installations, supplies, work tools	28634024	30784179
	- Vehicles	6172429	6858255
	- Expenses for domicile buildings	82417346	87411432
С.	Liabilities (I-IV)	792454406	782505011
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II.	Transfer from MoF for the Digitalization Public Information Campaign	105000000	105000000
III.	Result of the fiscal year	87540767	63426653
IV.	Short-term liabilities to third parties (1 - 6)	367051234	415825052
1	-Staff, deficits and fines	23.007	-
2	-Liabilities to clients for the state, for taxes, fines and default interest	309647539	300,862,783
3	-Liabilities to suppliers	1059893	10312396
4	-Liabilities to the state for taxes and contributions	1291168	1350599
5	-Creditors of previous years (followed by bailiffs)	55029627	103023975
6	-Creditors for work guarantee (in the form of collateral)		275.300
	ASSETS - LIABILITIES ((A+B)-C))	-	-

#### ANNEX 1

#### "MONITORING DATA OF THE MAIN EDITIONS IN THE NATIONAL MEDIA SERVICE PROVIDER1

## January 2021

Entities	ТСН		KL	AN	RTS	SH1	R. TI	RANA	TA	R	VIZIO	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Government	19.83	0.1727	49.02	0.2671	34.25	0.2106	89.85	0.4073	7.4	0.1848	30.52	0.0529	2.23	0.2193
Democratic Party of Albania	3.58	0.0312	43.48	0.237	30.43	0.1871	27.6	0.1251	4.93	0.1232	70.17	0.1217	1.23	0.1211
Prime Minister's Office	54.92	0.4781	61.08	0.3329	45	0.2767	69.38	0.3145	18.18	0.4542	58.45	0.1014	3.72	0.365
Socialist Party of Albania	9.92	0.0863	8.97	0.0489	10.95	0.0673	5.17	0.0234	3	0.0749	24.87	0.0431	0.58	0.0573
Presidency	6.65	0.0579	4.9	0.0267	13.4	0.0824	3.38	0.0153	1.57	0.0391	21.85	0.0379	1.6	0.1571
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	4.25	0.037	0	0	3.67	0.0225	18.88	0.0856	1.67	0.0416	3.87	0.0067	0	0
Parliament	1.28	0.0112	1.7	0.0093	8.17	0.0502	4.32	0.0196	0.83	0.0208	0.78	0.0014	0	0
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	1.6	0.0087	7.28	0.0448	0	0	0	0	6.68	0.0116	0.33	0.0327
Republican Party	2.32	0.0202	7	0.0381	0	0	0	0	0.78	0.0196	6.55	0.0114	0.48	0.0475
Movement for National Development Party	0.42	0.0036	0.93	0.0051	2.03	0.0125	0	0	0.72	0.0179	6.63	0.0115	0	0
Demochristian Party	0.58	0.0051	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.57	0.0142	5.6	0.0097	0	0
Environment alist Agrarian Party	1.05	0.0091	1.53	0.0084	0	0	0	0	0.38	0.0096	5.42	0.0094	0	0
Democratic Conviction Party	1.95	0.017	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.28	0.0092	0	0
Central Election Commission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.4	0.0059	0	0
Movement for Change Party	1.93	0.0168	0	0	2.7	0.0166	0	0	0	0	2.78	0.0048	0	0

<sup>1</sup> In April 2021 there were no data, as the reportage of the campaign for the general elections was monitored by the Audio-visual media service providers

# February 2021

Entities	ТСН		KLAN		RTSH1		R. TIRANA		TAR		VIZIO	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Government	13.22	14.37%	38.07	16.56%	46.9	20.72%	92.1	37.92%	13	31.91%	47.93	17.43%	1.8	10.43%
Democratic Party	2.78	3.03%	71.33	31.04%	54.53	24.10%	46.85	19.29%	3.67	9.00%	78.33	28.48%	3.93	22.80%
Prime Minister's Office	47.12	51.23%	73.38	31.93%	64.55	28.52%	56.5	23.26%	15.43	37.89%	54.7	19.89%	6.25	36.23%
Socialist Party of Albania	7.82	8.50%	19.62	8.54%	9.85	4.35%	7.32	3.01%	0	0	28.03	10.19%	0.63	3.67%
Movement for for Integration Party	1.2	1.30%	0	0	2.18	0.96%	9.78	4.03%	0.42	1.02%	25.53	9.28%	0.63	3.67%
Presidency	5.27	5.73%	12.23	5.32%	22.43	9.91%	13.43	5.53%	4.85	11.91%	15.85	5.76%	2.05	11.88%
Parliament	7.98	8.68%	6.52	2.84%	12.78	5.65%	8.52	3.51%	0.98	2.41%	4.08	1.48%	0.3	1.74%
Republican Party	0	0	1.17	0.51%	1.38	0.61%	2.35	0.97%	0.7	1.72%	10.1	3.67%	0	0
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	3.05	1.33%	6.87	3.03%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.43	2.51%
Democratic Conviction Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.05	2.20%	0	0
New Democratic Spirit Party	4.72	5.13%	0.38	0.17%	0	0	0	0	0.5	1.23%	0	0	0	0
Movement for National Development Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.62	0.95%	0	0
Movement for Change Party	1.7	1.85%	1.37	0.59%	2.55	1.13%	1	0.41%	0	0	1.83	0.67%	0.45	2.61%
Independent Deputy	0.17	0.18%	0	0	1.28	0.57%	0.13	0.05%	0	0	0	0	0	0

## **March 2021**

Entities	ТСН		KLAN		RTSH1		R. TI	RANA	TAR		VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Socialist Party of Albania	47.4	26.68%	63.85	17.92%	43.43	20.90%	32.5	23.04%	8.98	19.60%	102.55	26.98%	3.98	25.48%
Democratic Party of Albania	22.47	12.65%	70.12	19.68%	52.25	25.15%	32.72	23.20%	9.03	19.71%	89.58	23.57%	3.27	20.90%
Prime Minister's Office	40.8	22.96%	53.95	15.14%	40.02	19.26%	21.67	15.36%	11.43	24.95%	35.43	9.32%	1.5	9.59%
Government	12.82	7.21%	33.03	9.27%	44.28	21.31%	23.82	16.89%	7.87	17.16%	43.58	11.47%	2.22	14.18%
Presidency	4.28	2.41%	6.88	1.93%	16.22	7.80%	12.47	8.84%	4.45	9.71%	21.62	5.69%	3.08	19.72%
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	8.93	5.03%	0.75	0.21%	1.3	0.63%	7.55	5.35%	2.32	5.05%	16.67	4.38%	0.35	2.24%
Democratic Conviction Party	1.87	1.05%	1.22	0.34%	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.23	1.90%	0	0
Movement for National Development Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.22	1.90%	0	0
Republican Party	6.47	3.64%	1.15	0.32%	0	0	2.78	1.97%	0.67	1.45%	1.27	0.33%	0	0
Parliament	4.7	2.65%	4.33	1.22%	5.62	2.70%	4.17	2.95%	1.08	2.36%	3.3	0.87%	0.55	3.52%
Party for Justice, Integration and Unity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.52	1.45%	0	0

# May 2021

Entities	T	СН	KL	AN	RTS	SH1	R. TI	RANA	TA	ıR	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	JB FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Democratic Party of Albania	66.38	51.30%	67.68	34.78%	53.92	30.14%	43.65	22.17%	22.9	37.40%	77.43	32.82%	5.12	40.61%
Government	5.37	4.15%	36.6	18.81%	43.33	24.22%	62.22	31.60%	4.75	7.76%	77	32.64%	0	0
Prime Minister's Office	7.33	5.67%	46.43	23.86%	33.77	18.87%	30.1	15.29%	7.47	12.19%	22.8	9.66%	1.88	14.95%
Socialist Party of Albania	14.82	11.45%	8.13	4.18%	21.13	11.81%	25.93	13.17%	8.33	13.61%	21.07	8.93%	1.22	9.66%
Parliament	15.92	12.30%	20	10.28%	12.78	7.14%	18.9	9.60%	7.77	12.68%	17.95	7.61%	2.05	16.27%
Presidency	6.77	5.23%	5.38	2.77%	10.6	5.92%	12.23	6.21%	6.62	10.81%	12.3	5.21%	2.13	16.93%
Environment alist Agrarian Party	3.8	2.94%	1.58	0.81%	0.6	0.34%	0	0	0.6	0.98%	0	0	0	0
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	3.67	1.88%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Independent Deputy	2.95	2.28%	0.05	0.03%	0.53	0.30%	1.83	0.93%	0.38	0.63%	0	0	0	0
Central Election Commission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.53	1.07%	0	0
Democratic Conviction Party	2.48	1.92%	0	0	1.25	0.70%	0	0	0.42	0.68%	0	0	0	0
VV Self-determination Movement	0	0	2.1	1.08%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	2	1.55%	1.72	0.88%	1	0.56%	0	0	0.9	1.47%	0	0	0.2	1.59%
Republican Party	1.58	1.22%	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.1	1.80%	0	0	0	0
Demochristian Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.13	0.48%	0	0
Other parties	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.05	0.53%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Albanian Democratic Movement Party	0	0	0.57	0.29%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.20%	0	0

<u>June 2021</u>

Entities	Т	СН	KL	AN	RTS	SH1	R. TI	RANA	TA	ıR	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Government	19.75	22.19%	78.57	44.32%	45.1	24.88%	101.77	56.83%	8.47	19.15%	72.45	36.28%	2.52	26.22%
Democratic Party of Albania	34.68	38.97%	25.47	14.36%	49.78	27.46%	21.35	11.92%	16.27	36.79%	58.52	29.30%	2.27	23.61%
Prime Minister's Office	15.25	17.13%	51.18	28.87%	44.32	24.45%	36.98	20.65%	8.73	19.75%	29.88	14.96%	2.7	28.13%
Parliament	2.35	2.64%	1.33	0.75%	14.13	7.80%	5.68	3.17%	2.33	5.28%	2.9	1.45%	0.37	3.82%
Socialist Party of Albania	10.78	12.12%	9.77	5.51%	13	7.17%	8.53	4.77%	2.7	6.11%	11.12	5.57%	0	0
Independent Deputy	0.42	0.47%	0	0	11.42	6.30%	0	0	0.48	1.09%	9.38	4.70%	0	0
Presidency	5.77	6.48%	2.22	1.25%	3.52	1.94%	3.25	1.81%	3.95	8.93%	8.9	4.46%	1.48	15.45%
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	3.85	2.17%	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.55	3.28%	0	0
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.52	0.85%	0.57	1.28%	0	0	0.27	2.78%
Democratic Alliance Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.72	1.62%	0	0	0	0

# <u>July 2021</u>

Entities	T	СН	KL	AN	RTS	SH1	R. TII	RANA	TA	AR .	VIZION	PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/	time/min	time/ %
Government	6.07	7.78%	40.77	32.46%	42.4	32.91%	91.38	57.66%	2.45	8.82%	43.27	27.08%	0.77	18.18%
Democratic Party of Albania	34.78	44.58%	41.7	33.20%	31.67	24.58%	23.65	14.92%	10.77	38.75%	61.92	38.76%	1.6	37.94%
Prime Minister's Office	24.82	31.81%	37.65	29.98%	32.08	24.90%	23.4	14.76%	10.97	39.47%	25.47	15.94%	1.5	35.57%
Socialist Party of Albania	3.47	4.44%	1.43	1.14%	5.72	4.44%	3.25	2.05%	1.57	5.64%	21.67	13.56%	0	0
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	0.78	0.62%	6.87	5.33%	7.62	4.81%	1.35	4.86%	0	0	0	0
Parliament	3.12	3.99%	2.18	1.74%	5.4	4.19%	2.38	1.50%	0	0	4.58	2.87%	0.35	8.30%
Presidency	1.8	2.31%	1.08	0.86%	3.8	2.95%	1.83	1.16%	0	0	1	0.63%	0	0
Republican Party	3.07	3.93%	0	0	0	0	1.8	1.14%	0.68	2.46%	1.47	0.92%	0	0
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	0.47	0.60%	0	0	0	0	1.45	0.91%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Independent Deputy	0.43	0.56%	0	0	0.92	0.71%	0	0	0	0	0.38	0.24%	0	0

# **August 2021**

Entities	Т	СН	KL	AN	RTS	SH1	R. TI	RANA	TA	AR .	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Government	5.05	7.78%	35.15	38.23%	55.6	53.69%	44.02	72.54%	5.03	38.08%	88.7	67.36%	1.88	25.11%
Prime Minister's Office	16.95	26.10%	40.43	43.97%	23.23	22.43%	8.03	13.24%	2.67	20.18%	25.28	19.20%	1.15	15.33%
Democratic Party of Albania	18.18	28.00%	13.88	15.10%	14.32	13.82%	6.92	11.40%	3.85	29.13%	8.37	6.35%	2.17	28.89%
Socialist Party of Albania	12.55	19.33%	0.52	0.56%	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.5	4.94%	0.4	5.33%
Other Deputy Ministers	2.27	3.49%	1.5	1.63%	6.55	6.32%	0	0	0	0	2.1	1.59%	0	0
Presidency	4.58	7.06%	0.47	0.51%	2.78	2.69%	0	0	0.38	2.90%	0.73	0.56%	1.57	20.89%
Albanian Democratic Movement Party	2.12	3.26%	0	0	0	0	1.72	2.83%	0.78	5.93%	0	0	0	0
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	0	0	0	0	1.08	1.05%	0	0	0.5	3.78%	0	0	0.33	4.44%

# September 2021

Entities	Т	CH	KL	AN	RTS	H1	R. TI	RANA	TA	ıR	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time /min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Democratic Party of Albania	48.43	32.08%	63.38	40.14%	45.28	26.31%	25.15	21.63%	13.02	28.81%	91.25	43.12%	3.75	28.34%
Prime Minister's Office	24.62	16.30%	46.48	29.44%	62	36.03%	34.13	29.35%	17.3	38.29%	43.23	20.43%	3.02	22.80%
Government	10.72	7.10%	16.02	10.14%	23.43	13.62%	35.18	30.25%	5.72	12.65%	46.65	22.05%	3.08	23.30%
Socialist Party of Albania	31.97	21.17%	9.32	5.90%	11.17	6.49%	11.95	10.28%	3.7	8.19%	13.73	6.49%	1.58	11.96%
Parliament	30.58	20.25%	12.63	8.00%	18.33	10.65%	8.03	6.91%	3.23	7.16%	7.48	3.54%	0.53	4.03%
Presidency	2.85	1.89%	5.88	3.73%	8.77	5.09%	1.63	1.40%	2.22	4.91%	4.08	1.93%	0.73	5.54%
Movement for for Integration Party	1.83	1.21%	0.15	0.09%	0	0	0.22	0.19%	0	0	5.17	2.44%	0.27	2.02%
Independent Deputy	0	0	4.05	2.56%	1.13	0.66%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	0	0	1.98	1.15%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## October 2021

Entities	T	СН	KL	AN	RTS	SH1	R. TI	RANA	TA	AR .	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	JB FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Democratic Party of Albania	52.92	35.63%	71.68	37.61%	58.93	31.01%	37.25	17.27%	17.15	30.93%	123.38	42.92%	6.18	29.78%
Government	30.25	20.37%	41.78	21.92%	54.52	28.68%	101.5	47.06%	15.03	27.11%	56.3	19.58%	4.38	21.11%
Prime Minister's Office	23.7	15.96%	52.93	27.77%	33.98	17.88%	30.63	14.20%	10.13	18.27%	33.85	11.78%	4.68	22.55%
Socialist Party of Albania	15.48	10.42%	8.65	4.54%	13.82	7.27%	17.88	8.29%	5.9	10.64%	31.03	10.80%	2.55	12.28%
Parliament	21.95	14.78%	12.28	6.44%	21.93	11.54%	19.85	9.20%	3.45	6.22%	11.33	3.94%	2.18	10.51%
Movement for for Integration Party	2.08	1.40%	0	0	0.98	0.52%	6.03	2.80%	0.37	0.66%	19.9	6.92%	0.22	1.04%
Demochristia n Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.55	2.28%	0	0
Presidency	1.92	1.29%	0	0	3.4	1.79%	1.85	0.86%	2.13	3.85%	2.62	0.91%	0.55	2.65%
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	3.27	1.71%	2.5	1.32%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Republican Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.33	0.60%	0	0	0	0
Movement for National Developmen t Party	0.23	0.16%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Central Election Commission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unity for Human Rights Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## November 2021

Entities	Т	СН	KL	AN	RTS	H1	R. TI	RANA	TA	AR .	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Democratic Party of Albania	45.57	29.40%	81.18	37.37%	58.93	26.52%	29.45	14.25%	12.43	22.83%	139	43.83%	6.9	29.74%
Prime Minister's Office	37.52	24.21%	64.33	29.61%	61.92	27.87%	50.9	24.63%	18.98	34.86%	68.85	21.71%	4.67	20.11%
Government	19.13	12.35%	32.45	14.94%	45.62	20.53%	66.55	32.21%	9.52	17.48%	31.43	9.91%	5.12	22.05%
Parliament	30.12	19.43%	11.65	5.36%	26.67	12.00%	32.15	15.56%	5.1	9.37%	18.05	5.69%	0.97	4.17%
Socialist Party of Albania	13.23	8.54%	14.8	6.81%	12.8	5.76%	17.2	8.32%	3.92	7.19%	19.93	6.29%	2.07	8.91%
Presidency	5.63	3.64%	4.48	2.06%	10.82	4.87%	6.28	3.04%	3.37	6.18%	11.22	3.54%	2.25	9.70%
Socialist Movement for Integration Party	1.53	0.99%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.72	1.32%	8.3	2.62%	0.37	1.58%
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	1.58	0.73%	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.45	2.03%	0	0
Environmentali st Agrarian Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.37	2.01%	0	0
Democratic Conviction Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.85	1.84%	0	0
Republican Party	1.93	1.25%	3.02	1.39%	2.57	1.16%	2.22	1.07%	0.42	0.77%	1.53	0.48%	0.28	1.22%
Movement for National Development Party	0.3	0.19%	0	0	0.37	0.17%	0.28	0.14%	0	0	0	0	0	0

# December 2021

Entities	Т	СН	KL	AN	RTS	H1	R. TI	RANA	TA	ıR	VIZION	N PLUS	CLU	B FM
	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/ min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/%	time/min	time/ %	time/min	time/ %
Democratic Party of Albania	92.65	58.89%	126.55	50.98%	88.27	40.66%	70.08	39.37%	34.43	50.15%	183.83	61.72%	7.93	43.04%
Prime Minister's Office	31.25	19.86%	59.02	23.77%	60.37	27.81%	39.68	22.29%	13.42	19.54%	46.48	15.61%	4.53	24.59%
Government	17.47	11.10%	45.83	18.46%	34.47	15.88%	36.32	20.40%	10.52	15.32%	42.33	14.21%	3.07	16.64%
Socialist Party of Albania	5.53	3.52%	3.38	1.36%	12.37	5.70%	4.18	2.35%	2.98	4.34%	7.6	2.55%	0.6	3.25%
Parliament	4.45	2.83%	5.25	2.11%	11.8	5.44%	10.02	5.63%	3.92	5.70%	7.13	2.39%	0.35	1.90%
Presidency	5.98	3.80%	3.48	1.40%	5.83	2.69%	6.3	3.54%	3.4	4.95%	4.32	1.45%	1.38	7.50%
Movement for for Integration Party	0	0	0	0	2.15	0.99%	0	0	0	0	4.73	1.59%	0.57	3.07%
Movement for National Development Party	0	0	0	0	1.57	0.72%	1.05	0.59%	0	0	1.43	0.48%	0	0
Other Deputy Ministers	0	0	1.42	0.57%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unity for Human Rights Party	0	0	0	0	0.28	0.13%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# CASES WHERE AUDIO-VISUAL MEDIA AUTHORITY IS A PARTY

	CASES PENDING IN THE COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE				
No.	Claimant/Respondent	Scope	The judicial phase in which the process occurs	Lost/ Won in the actual phase	
1	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Saranda Cable Tv	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Won/ Concluding a contract with the bailiff service	
2	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Cable Devi-E.R.I. Cable TV	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Voluntary termination / payment of the obligation	
3	Claimant: Edi Tanushi Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 111, dated 11.07.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 9, dated 24.04.2019.	In the Shkodra First Instance Administrative Court	Won/ Concluding a contract with the bailiff service	
4	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Vlora Channel sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Won/ Concluding a contract with the bailiff service	
5	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "Teknomedia" sh.p.k. (Nesër TV)	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Pending (until the completion of the foundation in the appeal for the renewal of the license)	

6	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "RTV RE.AL" sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Voluntary termination / liquidation of the obligation
7	Claimant: Bibë Tanushi Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 19, dated 06.02.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 31, dated 14.11.2018.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Rejection of the lawsuit
8	Claimant: Edi Tanushi Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 163, dated 07.11.2019, for not renewing the authorization of the natural person entity Edi Tanushi.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Won
10	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: Liberta Thanza (Drini Cable TV)	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Won
11	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: Individual Hajri Hoxha/ HB-CA	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Voluntary termination / payment of the obligation
12	Claimant: AMA Respondent: The Company "Triangle Media Group"/ City TV	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court The decision has become final	Won
13	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Irakli Stefani/Tv Tele Joni)	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Partially won
14	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Erisa Bakalli (Durrësi TV)	Financial liabilities	In the Durrës First Instance Administrative Court	In process

15	Claimant: AMA Respondent: The Company "Cable Albania Kombi"	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Won
16	Claimant: The Company "Info Kabëll" sh.p.k. Alfred Spiro	Reinstate within the deadline of the appeal	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	Return of acts
17	Respondent: AMA Claimant: AMA Respondent: Albi Kreci (Alb Vito Peqin Cable TV)	Financial liabilities	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process
18	Claimant: The Company "Media+" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Damage compensation due to delay in the obligation's payment by the AMA.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process
20	Claimant: The Company "Tibo" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 82, dated 21.10.2021, against the decision for the fine imposition no. 10, dated 27.09.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process
21	Claimant: Preng Doda, Respondent: AMA	Executive title invalidity, the fine imposition decision no. 1, dated 21.07.2020 and the suspension of its execution.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	The suspended trial until the end of the verification of the foundation
22	Claimant: The Company "Johaniteri" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 89, dated 21.10.2021, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 7, dated 08.06.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process

23	Claimant: The Company "Egnatia Televizion" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 87, dated 21.10.2021, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 8, dated 08.06.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process		
24	Claimant: The Company "Tibo" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 95, dated 26.11.2021, against the decision for the fine imposition no. 12, dated 10.11.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process		
25	Claimant: The Company "Tibo" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 103 dated 21.12.2021, against the decision for the fine imposition no. 13, dated 01.11.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process		
26	Claimant: The Company "Tibo" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal no. 04 dated 07.01.2022, against the decision for the fine imposition no. 14, dated 10.11.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process		
27	Claimant: The Company "Nisatel" sh.p.k.	AMA's decision repeal no. 94, dated 09.11.2021 of AMA, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition no. 11, dated 29.09.2021.	In the Tirana First Instance Administrative Court	In process		
28	Respondent: AMA Claimant: The Company "Sky Gjirokastër" sh.p.k	AMA's decision repeal, no. 140, dated 12.07.2017, for not giving authorization.	In the Gjirokastër First Instance Administrative Court	In process		
CASE	Respondent: AMA  CASES PENDING IN THE COURT OF APPEALS					
1	Claimant: "IN TV Albania" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the invalidity of AMA documents, no. 1259/1 prot., dated 28.05.2020 and no. 1217 prot., dated 13.05.2020 as well as the obligation to transfer "Kombi Tv" licence to "IN TV".	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process		

2	Claimant: Preng Doda, Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 69, dated 21.08.2020, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 1, dated 21.07.2020.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Lost / In process
3	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Radio Motiv	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process
4	Claimant: Dritan Memushi Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 70, dated 21.08.2020, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 03, dated 21.07.2020.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
5	Claimant: AMA Respondent: The Company "Alba_Tra_Net Scu" sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
6	Claimant: Gëzim Ismaili (Media+) Respondent: AMA	The Respondent's obligation to state the statute of limitations for the administrative penalty execution of: Fine no. 387, dated 01.06.2011, in the amount of ALL 200.000; Fine no. 433, dated 16.11.2011, in the amount of ALL 400.000; Fine no. 616, dated 11.04.2013, in the amount of ALL 2,000,000;	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
7	Claimant: "Ora" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 86, dated 21.10.2021, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 06, dated 08.06.2021.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Shortened appeal exercised to meet the deadline by AMA.)	Lost / In process
8	Claimant: Ismet Drishti, Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 27, dated 22.04.2020, "On obtaining a licence regarding the provision of the audio-visual program service "Zjarr TV".	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by both litigant parties.)	Partially affirmed

9	Claimant: Sevi Mediu (Anfab Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	Decision cancellation on fine imposition of Directorate of Surveillance, no. 7, dated 17.04.2019; Decision cancellation on fine imposition of Directorate of Surveillance, no. 8, dated 19.04.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
10	Claimant: Gerantina Zylo Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 156, dated 11.10.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 14, dated 10.05.2019	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
11	Claimant: Albi Kreci (Alb Vito Peqin Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 157, dated 11.10.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 16, dated 07.08.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
12	Claimant: The Company "Beqaj Kabllor 2014" sh.p.k.(TV Kabllor Beqaj) Respondent: AMA	AMA's administrative acts repeal: Inspection report of the audio-visual activity, dated 28.09.2019; AMA's decision no. 19, dated 15.10.2019, on fine imposition.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
13	Claimant: Altin Sharka, (Hysgjokaj Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal no. 114, dated 11.07.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 4, dated 15.04.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Partially Lost / In process

14	Claimant: The Company "Teknomedia" sh.p.k., (Nesër TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 91, dated 16.05.2018, on not renewing the entity's license. The respondent's obligation to compensate the claimant:  Moral and psychological injury due to the Respondents actions in the amount of ALL 5 000 000.  Financial damage in the form of missing profit in the amount of ALL 5,316,186.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
15	Claimant: The Company "G NET" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 83, dated 16.5.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 2, dated 11.04.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
16	Claimant: Gëzim Cake, (Zargoçan Cable TV" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 115, dated 11.07.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 10, dated 25.04.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
17	Claimant: Elion Boriçi (Brado Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 95, dated 07.06.2019, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 3, dated 12.04.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
18	Claimant: The Company "DEVI- E.R.I." sh.p.k. (Devi-Eri Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	Invalidity declaration of the executive title, the fine imposition decision no. 47, dated 18.11.2015, for which has been issued the execution order no. 2233/3/2 act, dated 20.06.2018, from Tirana Administrative Court of First Instance, due to the liability being written off.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

19	Claimant: Sevi Mediu (TV Kabllor Anfab) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 180, dated 05.11.2018, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 16, dated 08.06.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
20	Claimant: Ismail Buçpapaj, (TV Bajram Curri) Respondent: AMA	Objection and invalidity declaration of AMA's decision, dated 31.01.2019, "On the exercise of the audio and / or audio-visual broadcasting activity and reports" On the inspection of the audio-visual activity of 31.01.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
21	Claimant: Guri Meko (Kabllor Delta Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	Stating the statute of limitations for fine sanctions of KKRT, no. 303 dated. 16.12.2010, was upheld with decision no. 26 dated 20.01.2011, fine no. 449, dated. 29.02.2012 and fine no. 479, dated. 19.07.2012, was upheld with decision no. 119, dated 31.08.2012, of KKRT.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
22	Claimant: Guri Meko (Aral Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 181, dated 05.11.2018, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 17, 11.06.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
23	Claimant: Ermal Marinaj, unauthorised Respondent: AMA	Executive title invalidity, decision no. 22, dated 06.07.2018, Directorate of Surveillance.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

24	Private entity Dritan Memushi, for the entity "Tepelena Sat Cable TV" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 186 dated 05.11.2018, which has partially upheld the decision no. 20 dated 03.07.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
25	Claimant: The Company "AVN" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 169, dated 12.09.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
26	Claimant: The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions and cancellation of the letter Order "On the confiscation" no. 215/2 prot., no. 215 Reg., dated 26.11.2018, of the enforcement company "Tirana Execution Office" sh.p.k.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
27	Claimant: The Company "New Media Vizion" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 160, dated 12.09.2018, "On rejecting the licensing area expansion of "Radio 1"	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Lost / In process
28	Claimant: Spiro Zguri, (TV Magic Channel) Respondent: AMA	Title invalidity for the decision of AMA, no. 104, dated 12.07.2017, regarding the financial liabilities' settlement.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
29	Claimant: Lartment Mato, unauthorised Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 155, dated 13.07.2018, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 10, dated 29.05.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

30	Claimant: The Company "Fokus TV" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions: Fine no. 509, dated 23.10.2012 of AMA's Inspection Group; Fine no. 13, dated 22.05.2015, of AMA's Inspection Group;	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
31	Claimant: Dritan Memushi, (Tepelena Sat Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 117, dated 16.05.2018, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 4, dated 20.02.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
32	Claimant: The Company "4+ Media Group" sh.p.k., (TV 4+) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 122, dated 08.06.2018.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
33	Claimant: The Company "Capital Radio" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 73, dated 20.04.2018. Reinstate within the deadline of the appeal of the company "Capital Radio" against the decision of AMA, no. 90, dated 19.05.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Partially Lost / In process
34	Claimant: The Company "Media Nord" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions regarding the executive title, fine imposition decision no. 41, dated 27.4.2017	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
35	Claimant: The Company "Media +" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions notified via letter no. 405/1, dated 24.04.2013	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

36	Claimant: The Company "Media Nord" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Invalidity of the executive title, the fine imposition decision no. 41, dated 27.04.2017	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
37	Claimant: Abedin Fraholli, (Fraholli Cable TV) Respondent: TRING Third party: AMA	Causing contractual damage based on the contract dated 01.01.2016, concluded between Tring TV and Fraholli Cable TV. Liability settlement according to AMA's decision, no. 51, dated 24.10.2016.	In the Civil Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
38	Claimant: The private entity Sevi Mediu, (Anfab Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 179, dated 04.09.2017, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 74, dated 02.08.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
39	Claimant: The company "4 Plus Media Group" sh.p.k., (TV 4+) Respondent: AMA	Executive title invalidity, AMA's decision, no. 44, dated 27.04.2017 imposed on the company "4 Plus Media Group" sh.p.k.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
40	Private entity Fred Hasa,(Pirg Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, 171, dated 04.09.2017, against the decision no. 63, dated 19.07.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won

41	Claimant: The Company "Radio Link" sh.p.k., (Radio DJ 96.1) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 210, dated 25.10.2017, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 83, dated 09.08.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
42	Claimant: AMA Respondent: The Company "Radio Albania News"	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals of Tirana. (Appeal exercised by AMA.)	Partially Lost / In process
43	Claimant: Sevada Guço Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the invalidity on the evaluation no. 7, dated 12.06.2017, of the Disciplinary Commission concerning the estimation of the disciplinary measure "Leaving the civil service".	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
44	Claimant: Dritan Memushi, (Tepelena Sat Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 115, dated 09.12.2015, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 15/1, dated 22.09.2015.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
45	Claimant: Apollon Cable TV Respondent: AMA	KKRT's decision repeal, no. 63/2011	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
46	Claimant Private entity Dritan Xhaçi, (Xhaçi Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 69, dated 04.04.2016, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 6, dated 10.02.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process

47	Claimant: Private entity Dritan Xhaçi, (Xhaçi Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 234, dated 03.11.2016, "On application review of the entity natural person Dritan Xhaçi, regarding the authorization renewal to rebroadcast the audio-visual program service to third parties, based on the cable network "TV Kabllor Xhaçi".	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
48	The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a.  Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 114, dated 12.07.2017, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 65, dated 01.12.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
49	The Company "Intel Media" sh.p. k Respondent: AMA	Decision repeal no. 7, dated 27.01.2017, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 58, dated 22.11.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
50	The Company "Beqaj Kabllor 2014" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 169, dated 04.09.2017, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 60, dated 14.06.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
51	Private entity Fred Stakaj (Lezha Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 104, dated 19.05.2016, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 09, dated 17.03.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
52	Edmond Sulejmani, (TV Kabllor Jug) Respondent: AMA	Objection and suspension of enforcement actions.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
53	The Company "Reçi KGM" sh.p.k.(Lissus Cable TV)	AMA's decision repeal, no. 26, dated 27.01.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 62, dated 15.12.2015.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

	Respondent: AMA			
54	Claimant: Private entity Dritan Xhaçi, "Xhaçi Cable TV" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal no. 69, dated 04.04.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 6, dated 10.02.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
55	Claimant: Private entity Dritan Xhaçi, "TV Kabllor Xhaçi" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal no. 180, dated 23.07.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 18, dated 03.06.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
56	Claimant: Abidin Fraholli, (Fraholli Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 274, dated. 22.12.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition, no. 51, dated 24.10.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
57	Claimant: The Company "Elbasan Cable" sh.p.k., (TV Elbasan Cable) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 271, dated 22.12.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 34, dated 22.09.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
58	Claimant: The Company "Kombi" sh.p.k., (TV Kombi) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no . 53, dated 12.04.2017, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 13, dated 27.01.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
59	Claimant: Private entity Besnik Deliu, "K.A.M. Cable TV"	AMA's decision repeal, no. 56, dated 12.04.2017, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 27, dated 23.02.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

	Respondent: AMA			
60	Claimant: The Company "Kombi" sh.p.k.(TV Kombi) Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the illegality of AMA documents, no. 264, dated 21.12.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 41, dated 18.10.2016.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
61	Claimant: The Company "Envo- Company" sh.p.k., for the entity "Envo Company Cable Tv" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 118, dated 12.07.2017, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 34, dated 10.04.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
62	Claimant: The Company "Envo- Company" sh.p.k., (Envo Company Cable TV)	Repeal of fine imposition decision, no. 55, dated 23.05.2017 and fine imposition decision no. 56, dated 02.06.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
63	Respondent: AMA Claimant: Gazmir Mango (New Planet Radio) Respondent: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
64	Claimant: Gazmir Mango (New Planet Radio) Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the statute of limitations of the fine imposition decision no. 237, dated 03.03.2010.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process

65	Claimant: The Company "Arlibon" sh.p.k., (Fieri Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal no. 106, no. 107, no. 108, no. 109, no. 110, no. 111 and No. 115, Dated 12.07.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
66	Claimant: The Company "Radio Link" sh.p.k., (Radio Dj 96.1) Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 130, dated 12.07.2017 and decision no. 81, dated 29.05.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
67	Claimant: Aristotel Petro, TV Alpo Respondent: AMA	Cancellation of administrative acts: 1. Report date 08.02.2018; 2. Decision date 08.02.2018; The respondent's obligation to return the seized equipment.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
68	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: Private entity Ruzhdi Bajrami, (Bajram Net Cable TV)	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process
69	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "Media 99" sh.a., (TV Koha)	Financial liabilities	In the trial process at the Civil Court of Appeals (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	In process
70	Claimant: Private entity Aqif Haveriku, TV 6 Third person: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions regarding the fine imposition decision no. 61, dated 22.11.2016	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process

71	Claimant: Private entity Aqif Haveriku, (TV 6) Third person: AMA	Objection of enforcement actions regarding the fine imposition decision no. 43, dated 27.04.2017.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
72	Claimant: Private entitiy Josif Shegani, (Lin Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	Invalidity declaration of the executive title, the fine imposition decision no. 1, dated 07.03.2014.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
73	Claimant: Private entity Ledio Shameti, (Kamza Cable TV) Respondent: AMA	Invalidity of the executive title, the fine imposition decision no. 506, dated 23.10.2012. Suspension of the executive title implementation.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
74	Claimant: The Company "Beqaj Kabllor 2014" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Invalidity of the executive title, the fine imposition decision no. 60, dated 14.06.2017. Suspension of the executive title implementation.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
75	Claimant: Private entity Fatjon Latifi, "ENT-Kabllor TV" Respondent: AMA	Statute of limitations regarding the executive title and statement of the invalidity of the fine imposition decision no. 392, dated 01.07.2011.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost / In process
76	Claimant: Private entity Fred Stakaj Respondent: AMA	Objection and suspension of the decision in the amount of ALL 312.490.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
77	Claimant: AMA.	Decision repeal no. 30945/3 prot., dated 15.11.2016, of Directorate of Tax Appeals in the General Tax Directorate of Tirana;	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process

	Respondent: Regional Tax Directorate of Tirana	Return of the amount of ALL 586,019.		
78	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: Private entity Elona Shaha, For the entity "TV Stream"	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process
79	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "Cable Albania Shkodër" sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Lost / In process
80	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "Reci KGM" sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process
81	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The entity The Company "Veleçiku" sh.p.k., for the entity TV Veleçiku.	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals.  (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won/ In process
82	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: Private entity Shpëtim Plaku, for the entity "TV Alb Pajove"	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Partially Lost / In process

83	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "ACN" sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the state attorney)	Against the return of acts
84	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: Private entity Ardjan Sulovari, for the entity "Dire Cable TV"	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process
85	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "Egnatia-Radio Cable TV" sh.p.k.  Claimant: AMA	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Lost / In process
86	Respondent: The Company "Vraniger Communication" sh.p.k.	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Lost / In process
87	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Natural person entity Sulejman Leshi	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Won / In process
88	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Klodjan Shqau Edmond Kristo	Financial liabilities	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Ceased by the Court/ In process

	Former			
	administrator and			
	partner of the			
	company Egnatia-			
	Radio Cable TV"			
	sh.p.k.			
	Claimant: Zylyftar	Decision cancellation, no. 82/2019, dated		
	Bregu	04.07.2019, of the Albanian Parliament,	In the Administrative Count of Annuals	XX / T
89	Respondent: AMA and	regarding the dismissal of the AMA member 2. Claimant's return as Ama member;	In the Administrative Court of Appeals.  (Appeal exercised by the Claimant.)	Won / In process
	the Parliament	3. Payment of the respective compensation as a	(Appear exercised by the Claimant.)	process
	the running	member of AMA until his return to duty.		
	Claimant: The	•		
	Company "Vlora	AMA's decision repeal, no. 05, dated 16.01.2020, which has upheld the decision of the		
90	Cable TV" sh.p.k.	fine imposition no. 21, dated 17.12.2019.	In the Administrative Court of Appeals.	Lost / In
	Respondent: AMA	ine imposition not 21, dated 17112.2017.	(Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	process
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	Claimant: Masa	AMA's decision repeal, no. 179, dated		
91	Group" sh.p.k.	05.11.2018, which has upheld the decision of the	In the Administrative Court of Appeals. (Appeal exercised by the Respondent.)	Lost
	Respondent: AMA	fine imposition, no. 15, dated 08.06.2018.	(Appear exercised by the Respondent.)	
		CASES PENDING IN THE SUI	PREME COURT	
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No	Claimant/Respondent	Scope	Recourse exerciser	Lost in the
				actual phase
	Endrit Kopliku	Declaration of employment contract termination		Lost
1	Respondent:	dated 02.12.2013, as immediate and unjustified.	AMA	Lost
	AMA			
	The Company "Focus			
	Media News" sh.p.k.,	AMA's decision repeal no. 10, dated		Lost
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2	for the entity "TV	27.01.2016, which has upheld the decision of the	AMA	
2	for the entity "TV News 24"	27.01.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 53, dated 07.12.2015.	AMA	

	Respondent: AMA			
3	The Company "Fibernet" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Cancellation for relative invalidity of order no. 283, dated 03.09.2015 and decision no. 1, dated 03.09.2015.	The Claimant	Won
4	The Company "Fibernet" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Cancellation for relative invalidity of AMA's decision, no. 85, dated 26.10.2015.	The Claimant	Won
5	The Company "Intel-Media" sh.p.k., for the entity "Jug Cable TV"  Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 93, dated 26.10.2015, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 39, dated 15.09.2015.	AMA	Lost
6	Cable Television "AVN" Respondent: AMA	KKRT's decision repeal, no. 62, dated 11.02.2011 and fine imposition decision no. 339, dated 11.01.2011.	AMA	Lost
7	Cable Television "AVN" Respondent: AMA	KKRT's decision repeal, of fine imposition decision no. 72/2010.	AMA	Lost
8	The Company "Digit-Alb" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 65, dated 04.04.2016. administrative act repeal, fine of the report no. 3, dated 26.01.2016, for imposing a fine on "Digitalb" sh.a. company	The Claimant	Won

9	Sevada Guço Respondent: AMA	Termination of the labor dispute, through the direct superior's decision repeal no. 1010/2 prot., dated 28.12.2015 and the removal of the disciplinary measure "Remarks".	AMA as recourser and counter-recourse by the claimant	Lost / In process
10	Fitnete Hajdari Respondent: AMA	Return of the claimant to the previous employment position, for termination of the employment contract for an indefinite period without reasonable cause, unilaterally.	AMA	Partially Lost / In process
11	"Tv. Ca. Ura Vajgurore" Respondent: AMA	Executive title invalidity, of the fine decision no. 9, dated 07.03.2014, after it was written off due to the expiration of the statute of limitations.	Claimant as recourser and counter-recourse by AMA	Won / In process
12	Fred Stakaj, (TV Lezha Kabëll) Respondent: AMA	Invalidity of the executive title, the fine imposition decision no. 9, dated 17.03.2016; Objection and suspension of enforcement actions.	The Claimant	Won / In process
13	Private entity Geront Dervishi Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision cancellation, no. 31, dated 16.04.2015, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 1, dated 13.01.2015.	The Claimant	Won
14	Private entity Geront Dervishi Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision cancellation, no. 65, dated 10.05.2015, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 2, dated 11.03.2015.	The Claimant	Won
15	The Company "Elbasan Cable" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 67, dated 04.04.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 4, dated 10.02.2016.	The Claimant	Won
16	The Company "Devi- E.R.I" sh.p.k.	AMA's decision cancellation, no. 19 dated 27.01.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 47, dated 18.11.2015.	The Claimant	Won

	Respondent: AMA			
17	Private entity Eneritan Pupa, for the entity "Pupa Cable TV" Respondent: AMA	Determining the invalidity of the decision of AMA, no. 270, dated 22.12.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 53, dated 04.11.2016.	The Claimant	Won
18	The Company " Shijaku Cable TV" sh.p.k., for entity " Shijaku Cable TV" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 106, dated 19.05.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition, no. 7, dated 04.03.2016.	The Claimant	Won
19	The Company "Media +" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	KKRT's decision repeal no. 95, dated 03.04.2013 and AMA's decision no. 09, dated 22.05.2013	State Advocacy	Lost
20	The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decisions repeal no. 67 and No. 112, dated 12.07.2017.	The Claimant	Won
21	Blerta Boriçi Respondent: AMA	Employment relations	AMA	Lost
22	Engjëllushe Ibrahimi Respondent: AMA	Employment relations	The Claimant	Won
23	The Company "Albanian Mobile Communications" sh.a.	KKRT's decision repeal no. 177/1 prot., dated 02.02.2012; administrative act cancellation as invalid and allowing the	Recourser by claimant and counter-recourse by AMA	Won

	Respondent: AMA	broadcasting of the advertisement for the 3G Internet of the AMC sh.a. company		
24	The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 40, dated 11.05.2015, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 3, dated 13.03.2015.	AMA	Lost
25	The Company "Media Vizion" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	The Respondent's obligation to prevent the licensing competition procedure of national digital networks initiated by AMA's decision, no. 29, dated 16.04.2015.	The Claimant	Won
26	The Company "TRING TV" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	The Respondent's obligation to perform the administrative action of division into the obligation instalments carried over to years that was rejected by AMA's letter, no. 1525/1 prot., dated 31.12.2014	The Claimant	Won
27	The Company "Media +" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	KKRT's decision repeal as invalid, no. 34, dated 01.02.2013.	AMA	Lost / In process
28	Private entity Milika Nito, for the entity "TV Ura Vajgurore" Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the invalidity of the fine imposition decision no. 9, dated 07.03.2014.	Claimant as recourser and counter-recourse by AMA	In process
29	Luljeta Mërkuri Respondent: AMA	Decision cancellation, no. 175, dated 01.08.2012, For temporary transfer and real implementation of the KSHC's decision, no. 135, dated 19.05.2011.	AMA	Lost / In process
30	The Company "George" sh.p.k., for the entity" TV ARV"	KKRT's decision repeal, no. 115, dated 03.04.2013, on the validity of the license of the local television entity TV ARV.	The Claimant	Won / In process

	Respondent: AMA			
31	The Company "ABCom" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Administrative act repeal, notice no. 740/1 prot., dated 10.03.2016, to the company "ABCom" sh.p.k.	The Claimant	Won / In process
32	The Company "ABC News" sh.a.; the Company "TV KLAN" sh.a.; The Company "DIGIT- ALB" sh.a.; the Company "TOP CHANNEL" sh.a.	AMA's Regulation of Article 6.5 repeal, approved by the AMA's decision no. 76, dated 04.04.2016.	AMA	Lost / In process
33	Respondent: AMA The Company "Media 99" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Decision's repeal and cancellation, no. 77, dated 19.05.2016.	The Claimant	Won
34	Pandi Kasapi Respondent: AMA	Damage compensation (product of the monthly salary of category III-a / 1 from 21.07.2009, until the issuance of the KKRT's order).	The Claimant	In process
35	The Company "Intel- Media" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Cancellation of fine imposition decision in the amount of ALL 300,000 decided by the decision of the private cable television entity "TV Jug".	State Advocacy	In process
36	Applicant: AMA	Request on the issuance of an execution order for the decision of the fine imposition no. 49, dated 24.11.2015.	AMA	In process
37	The Company "Top Channel" sh.a.,	AMA's decision repeal, no. 4. dated 26.03.2014 "On imposing the obligation to carry national programs from the electronic cable	AMA	Lost/In process

	The Company "TV Klan" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	communications networks of the authorized entities for the repetition of audio and audio-visual programs in these networks"		
38	The Company "ACN" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal for relative invalidity, no. 103, dated 12.07.2017.	The Claimant	Won
39	The Company "Elbasan Cable" sh.p.k., (TV Elbasan Cable) Respondent: AMA	The fine repeal no. 13, dated 11.04.2016 and decision no. 147, dated 13.06.2016.	The Claimant	Won on both instances
40	The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 105, dated 19.05.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 10, dated 23.03.2016.	The Claimant	Won
41	The Company "Masa Grup" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Securing a lawsuit, through the suspension of the implementation of the administrative act decision no. 15, dated 18.06.2018.	AMA and State Advocacy	Lost
42	The Company "Media +" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal and determination as invalid, no. 09, dated 22.05.2013.	State Advocacy	Lost
43	Private entity Fred Hasa, for the entity "Pirg Cable TV" Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 178, dated 04.09.2017.	The Claimant	Won

44	The Company "TV Alsat" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	Financial liabilities	State Advocacy (against retrial decision)	Won
45	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Alfred Bej	The Respondent's obligation to return the amount of ALL 1,995,656.	The Respondent	Won
46	Claimant: AMA Respondent: Anila Hajnaj	The Respondent's obligation to return the amount of ALL 1,631,500.	The Respondent	Won
47	Claimant: Endirë Bushati Respondent: AMA	Decision repeal no. 94/2014 of the Assembly of the Republic of Albania "On the election of the Chairperson of the Audio-visual Media Authority". Regulation of financial relations between the claimant and the AMA by forcing the AMA to pay the claimant from departure until 21.07.2016.	AMA	Lost
48	Claimant: The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision repeal, no. 150, dated 13.06.2016, which has upheld the decision of the fine imposition no. 12, dated 11.04.2016.	The Claimant	Won
49	The Company "Tring Tv" sh.a. Respondent: AMA	AMA's decision amendment, no. 285, dated 29.12.2016, deciding on the qualification and issuing of the national private audio-visual license to the company "Tring Tv" sh.a.	In the process of trial to the Supreme Court.  The Administrative Court of Appeals has decided to revoke the decision of the First Instance Administrative Court and return the case for retrial by another judicial body.  (Recourse exercised by AMA.)	Won
50	Claimant: AMA  Respondent: The Company "Epiri- 2011" sh.p.k.,	Financial liabilities	In the process of trial to the Supreme Court.  The Administrative Court of Appeal has decided to reject the AMA's appeal.  (Recourse exercised by AMA.)	Lost

51	Claimant: Top Channel Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the invalidity of the fine imposition decision no. 54, dated 07.12.2015 (political advertisement).	In the process of trial to the Supreme Court.  The Administrative Court of Appeal has decided to uphold the decision of Tirana  First Instance Administrative Court.  (Recourse exercised by the State  Advocacy.)	Lost
52	Claimant: "Adria- Med" sh.p.k. Respondent: AMA	Statement regarding the invalidity of AMA's decision, no. 233, dated 11.12.2017, which has upheld the decision for fine imposition, no. 88, dated. 10.10.2017.	In the process of trial to the Supreme Court.  The Administrative Court of Appeal has decided to repeal the sanction.  (Recourse exercised by AMA and the State Advocacy.)	Lost