

**Creators' Rights Alliance
Response to Reflection Document
on Creative Content in a European
Digital Single Market**



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The Creators' Rights Alliance brings together major organisations representing authors and performers in the UK. The Alliance thanks the Commission for the opportunity to comment on the Commission's thoughts set out in the Reflection Document on Creative Content in a European Digital Single Market.

The Alliance supports the joint statement of principle by European creators' organisations, which indicates that each signatory will be making its own more detailed submission. We regret that we have been too much occupied with proposed national legislation affecting authors' rights in the UK to produce a point-by-point response.

We therefore attach:

- 1) A briefing to UK Parliamentarians on some of the concerns raised by proposals for licensing "orphaned works" and extended collective licensing more generally. These concerns apply equally to the measures for extended collective licensing implied in the Reflection Document.
- 2) The Creators' Rights Manifesto. This document sets out the Alliance's view that authors' and performers' rights must, in the digital age, be seen clearly as rights of every citizen, given that new technologies mean that probably the majority of citizens of Europe are, or will very shortly be, published or "broadcast" authors and/or performers¹

Best regards,

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¹ A version of the Creators' Rights Manifesto laid out for printing as a booklet is available at www.creatorsrights.org.uk