



Team Europe Democracy (TED) Network Grants

A EU Toolkit for Supporting Independent Media and Information Integrity

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Countries of implementation: European Union Member States



The <u>Global Forum for Media Development (GFMD)</u> is an international network of journalism support and media development organisations. They act together to support journalism and media through collaboration, knowledge exchange, and advocacy.

Objective

Provide practical guidance and tools to help EU and Member State stakeholders apply the OECD Principles on Support to Media and the Information Environment. The toolkit turns high-level commitments into practice, ensuring media and information-integrity support is relevant, effective, and sustainable across EU policies.

Key Activities

Develop a modular, user-friendly toolkit with:

- Principle-based checklists, case studies, and operational guidance for EU institutions, Member States, and implementing partners.
- Consultations and focus groups across DGs, EEAS, and civil society to identify needs and best practices.
- Integration of evidence from OECD, GFMD, and MFC research into actionable tools for programming, coordination, and evaluation.

Target Groups / Beneficiaries

- EU institutions (European Commission DGs, EEAS, and Executive Agencies).
- EU Delegations, Member State embassies, and cultural institutes.
- Civil society and media organisations benefiting from better-aligned, safer, and more flexible support.

Expected Outcomes

- Improved donor coordination and coherence across EU institutions and Member States.
- Safer, more resilient, and better-funded media ecosystems.
- Systematic integration of information integrity into EU democracy, development, and security agendas.