Online expert seminar on Article 18 DSM

Speakers' biographies

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Ricardo Gómez Cabaleiro became Director of Legal Affairs at DAMA in 2021 and was appointed Secretary General in 2023. Prior to this, he held senior positions in the IP sector, such as Director General of the Institute for the Protection of Rights in the Digital Environment, Director of the Copyright Institute, and partner at Lehcab where he led significant intellectual property cases, both before the Spanish courts and the CJEU. He teaches postgraduate programmes specialising in IP in Spain and is the author of books and articles on copyright published in Spain. He has been a board member of the SAA since 2025.

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Dr. Tomasz Targosz is a partner at Traple Konarski Podrecki & Partners and an assistant professor at Jagiellonian University in Krakow. A specialist in intellectual property law, he focuses particularly on copyright and patent disputes and is actively involved in IP litigation and advisory work. He represented the Polish Filmmakers Association in a dispute concerning intermediary liability for copyright infringement (Chomikuj), as well as in a case involving the Polish State's failure to guarantee fair compensation for private copying.

MEP Axel VOSS

Axel Voss (CDU), MEP, is the European People Party coordinator for the Committee on Legal Affairs and is the former rapporteur of the 2019 Copyright Directive and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), and the 2024 Legal Affairs Committee on the AI Act. He studied law at the Universities of Trier, Freiburg and Munich, and has been working as a lawyer since 1994. From 1994 to 2000, he was a civil advisor at the EU Commission's representation in Germany. Afterwards, he worked for nine years as lecturer for European Affairs at the RheinAhrCampus of the College of Koblenz. Since 2009, he has been working as a Member of the European Parliament.

Moderator: Cécile DESPRINGRE

Cécile Despringre studied International and European Law at the University of Paris I and holds a Master's degree in International Economic Law. After a traineeship at the Delegation of the European Commission in Geneva, she started her career at SACD as their European Affairs Officer in 1997. In 2001, she was promoted to Deputy Director for European Affairs and Trade Negotiations. In 2006, Cécile became the CEO of the Federation of European Screen Directors (FERA). In 2009, she was offered to set up a new organisation, the SAA, the home for European collective management organisations of audiovisual authors in Brussels. Since March 2020, Cécile is also the President of the Board of Directors of Cineuropa.