

TIC'S ACTIVITY IN FACTS AND FIGURES (2006-2010)

2010

Since December 2010 Television Industry Committee (TIC) has had its representative in the Public Council of the State Committee for Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine.

In November 2010 at the initiative of the TIC Ukraine held the judging of the international competition History Makers 2011. Ukrainian experts estimated the entries submitted to the category Best History Production.

On November 5, 2010 the conference Television as a Business, organized by the Television Industry Committee, was held. Within the framework of the conference the Format-Show prepared by Media Resources Management took place.

In October, the Council for Media Research held press courses in media research for journalists. The press courses is an educational project implemented by the Council to raise the awareness of journalists in media research.

On October 14 the 10th awards ceremony of the National Television Award Triumph 2009-2010 was held. Golden statues were awarded to 48 winners in 47 categories. Award organisers: TIC and the National Council. The ceremony was broadcasted by the Novyi Kanal.

In October 2010, Kateryna Kotenko, the Executive Director of TIC, was elected to the jury of Media & Sat Leaders 2010 awards founded by the editorial board of the Ukrainian national monthly magazine Mediasat.

On October 1, 2010 the IV International Forum of Digital Broadcasting in Ukraine was held; the Forum, as in previous years, was organized by TIC and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters. The Forum included 3 modules. Usual format of presentations was supplemented by a performance via Skype and panel discussions.

In September, TIC held the open meeting of the Technical Committee dedicated to niche channels and the television audience measurement panel.

In September, at the press conference at the National Council of Ukraine for Television and Radio Broadcasting, nominees of the National Television Award Triumph 2010 were announced and the time for the awarding ceremony was set.

In June, the acceptance of entries for the Triumph 2009-2010 award was announced. Award organisers: TIC and the National Council.

In June, during the TV and Radio Fair – 2010, the main annual business forum for professionals of the Ukrainian media industry, TIC held a mini-conference “How to build a media career”.

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In May, the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters and TIC held a press conference of non-governmental media organizations to nominate candidates for members of the National Council of Ukraine for Television and Radio Broadcasting. The purpose of the press conference was to present requirements of non-governmental organizations in the industry for the appointment and nomination of candidates for members of the National Council of Ukraine for Television and Radio Broadcasting, and presentation of candidates from the media community.

In April, TIC, in cooperation with the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters, within the framework of the public campaign against increase of tax rates on advertising, held the roundtable discussion “Effects of increasing tax rates on advertising”. The discussion was held to develop a joint strategy for media companies to act in the circumstances the Government approves the amendments to the legislation of Ukraine. After the public campaign and our efforts, the Government abolished this initiative.

In April, the working meeting of the new National Council of Ukraine for Television and Radio Broadcasting with the representatives of the television industry – TIC members – was held. The modern development of the industry and relations between the industry and the regulator were discussed at the meeting.

Since April TIC has had its representatives at the Public Council under the Ukrainian Parliament Committee on Freedom of Expression and Free Access to Information.

In March, TIC for the second time held the judging ceremony of Banff international television awards in two categories: Soap Operas and Telenovelas and Social and Humanitarian Documentaries. The jury included experts - representatives of the Ukrainian television industry.

In March, an industrial working group on cinematography was established, which includes TV channels that are representatives of TIC, as well as representatives of the Association of Film Producers of Ukraine, Ukrainian Film Industry Association, representatives of film and television productions and film distributors. Professional industry joined its forces to develop a new modern version of the legislation on cinematography, relevant to realities of the market.

In March, at the initiative of TIC, the Media Research Council was established. Leading industrial associations, which are customers or controllers of media researches, and leading researchers in this area united to improve the media research market.

In March, the joint meeting of TIC and the Media Committee of the Ukrainian Bar Association powered by the Association of Film Producers of Ukraine was held. The issues of temporary admission of audio and video media, recorded movies, and other products on the territory of Ukraine were discussed at the meeting, as well as the inclusion of royalties in the customs value of such media, and peculiar features of post-audits carried out by the customs authorities.

In February, TIC members decided to conduct an independent audit of the television audience measurement panel of GFK Ukraine for the second half of 2010.

In February, TIC, together with the Council of Europe, held its annual press-courses “Cifrologia” (Numerology) – an educational project, which aims to raise the awareness of journalists in the field of digital television and technology changes that have major social implications.

In January, TIC filed a lawsuit against Ekonomika Publishing House, LLC, on protection of the business reputation demanding refutation of false information published in the Marketing Media Review. In February, the Economic Court of Kyiv issued a ruling on termination of the proceedings, arguing that the dispute may not be settled in economic courts of Ukraine. In March 2010, TIC and the Ekonomika Publishing House signed an agreement of lawsuit concerning the completeness, accuracy and reliability of the information on the television panel of Ukraine.

During January - February 2010, the Deloitte Company, at the request of TIC, assessed the data security system of the television audience measurements conducted by GFK Ukraine.

In 2010, TIC’s Legal Committee meetings (3 meetings) and its Technical Committee meetings (12 meetings) were held.

In 2010, the company and its members were represented at the:

- Press conference of the Public Council for Information and Communication Technologies (ICT): “Socially Responsible Partnership in the Midst of the Administrative Reform”, December 23, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Tax Code of Ukraine: Major Changes in your Industry”, December 21, 2010
- Public discussion: “Is the democratic law on protection of public morality necessary in Ukraine?”, December 13, 2010
- Media Committee meeting: “Bringing the advertising legislation of Ukraine in compliance with the EU Directive on audiovisual media services. Ukraine's commitments pursuant to the agenda of Ukraine - EU Association”, December 10, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Prospects of digital television broadcasting in Ukraine”, December 08, 2010
- Conference: “Tax disputes 2010: using the right strategy”, December 01, 2010
- Expert workshop: “Planning the transition from analogue to digital broadcasting: technical, economic, and regulatory aspects”, November 29, 2010
- International Expert Workshop: “European approaches to copyright in the TV broadcasting”, November 16, 2010
- First Ukrainian Tax Forum 2010: Reforming the Tax Service in Ukraine According to the European Standards, October 28, 2010
- Open National Forum of Cable TV Operators, October 21, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Tax Code - stimulation or destruction of the economy”, October 08, 2010
- Ukrainian Internet Association (UIA) conference: “The Ukrainian Internet audience: new research results”, October 06, 2010
- Workshop: “Advertising: intellectual property and unfair competition”, September 29, 2010
- GFK conference: “The Ukrainian market since the decline: revitalization or stabilization?”, September 28, 2010
- Public discussion: “Tax Code: the first step towards the tax reform”, September 23, 2010
- Working group meeting: “Tax policy in Television and Radio Broadcasting”, September 14, 2010
- Working group meeting: “State regulation of tariffs for telecommunication operator services in television and radio broadcasting”, September 14, 2010
- Public hearing: “Evaluation of the concept of public broadcasting of the new government”, September 02, 2010
- Roundtable discussion on amendments to the Tax Code, August 19, 2010
- Working groups meetings: “Pricing of scarce resource and its impact on the amount of license fee in television and radio broadcasting” and “Determination of the amount of financial penalties for breaches of legislation and licensing conditions”, August 11, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Local Elections - 2010: A Challenge to the Public”, July 21, 2010
- Meeting of the Media Committee of the Ukrainian Bar Association: “Tax credits for cinematography in Ukraine. Analysis of the current law and the draft Tax Code of Ukraine”, July 09, 2010
- Meeting of the Working Group for Cinema with Hanna Chmil, Acting Director General of the Oleksandr Dovzhenko National Centre, State Enterprise, July 05, 2010
- Expert workshop: “Bringing the Ukrainian media legislation in accordance with the European standards defined in the European Convention on Transfrontier Television and the EU Directive on audiovisual services”, July 2-3, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Features of licensing the subjects of TV and radio broadcasting market in the transition to digital broadcasting”, June 22, 2010
- Conference: “Public Broadcasting Service. German-Ukrainian exchange of ideas”, June 22, 2010
- Roundtable discussion on improving the transparency of media ownership regulation, June 18, 2010
- International Expert Workshop: “The Law of Ukraine “On Telecommunications”: analysis of its compliance with the EU’s *acquis communautaire*”, June 15, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “The practice of application and the basic directions of improvement of the Law of Ukraine “On Advertising” regarding the advertising of certain categories of goods”,

conducted at the initiative of Mykola Tomenko, Vice-Chairman of the Ukrainian Parliament, June 10, 2010

- Forum of Ukrainian Cable TV Operators, June 02, 2010
- Conference: “Media space of Ukraine: problems of state regulation”, May 18, 2010
- Meeting of the Steering Committee of the joint EU and Council of Europe project “Promotion of European Standards in the Ukrainian Media Environment”, April 27, 2010
- Conference “Film Business in Ukraine”, April 23, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “The Freedom of Expression in Contemporary Ukraine: Challenges and Threats”, March 30, 2010
- International Conference: “Digital Multimedia Content Distribution Systems: Problems and Solutions”, March 30, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “The media and public morality. European standards of public morality and the protection of minors. Analysis of Ukrainian legislation on public morality”, March 19, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “New opportunities for business associations in the global world”, March 19, 2010
- Expert workshop on the implementation of the European Convention on Transfrontier Television, March 12, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Simplifying the procedure for prolongation of broadcasting licenses”, February 24, 2010
- Meeting of the Media Committee of the Ukrainian Bar Association: “Election campaign in audiovisual media during the presidential elections in Ukraine in 2010: results, problematic aspects to be resolved in view of future election campaigns”, February 11, 2010
- Roundtable discussion: “Current problems of information legislation in Ukraine”, January 29, 2010
- Roundtable discussion of the Draft Law “On Protection of Public Morality”, organized by the National Expert Committee for Protection of Public Morality (NEC), January 29, 2010
- International Expert Workshop: “Electronic Communications: European model of legal regulation and reform of the Ukrainian legislation”, organized within the framework of the joint project of the Council of Europe and the European Commission “Promotion of European Standards in the Ukrainian Media Environment” in cooperation with the National Committee on Freedom of Expression and Free Access to Information and East European Media Institute, January 29, 2010
- Workshop: “The activities of the media during elections: legal regulation and practice”, January 25, 2010

2009

In December TIC was a partner to the roundtable discussion: “The advertising and communication market in Ukraine. Results of 2009 and forecast for 2010. Facts and trends”, within the framework of which final volume of advertising and communication market in 2009 and the forecast for 2010 were published for the first time.

In December, TIC conducted the research “Media and the Crisis” ordered by the Open Society Institute and intended for internal use by the member-countries of the Open Society Institute.

In December, TIC, together with GfK Ukraine, held its annual conference “TV measurements: 2009” on the performance results of the system of television audiences’ measurement in 2009 and discussion of work trends in 2010.

In December, the Forum “On Urgent Measures for the Development of the Information Society in Ukraine”, organized by the Public Council for Information and Communication Technologies, which is a member of TIC, was held. The main purpose of the event was to discuss urgent issues of information society development in Ukraine, presented earlier in “Guidelines for Candidates for President of Ukraine”, together with the candidates, their representatives, and non-governmental organizations.

In December, the General Meeting of TIC elected an independent auditor to audit the TV panel security of GfK Ukraine.

Since 2009, TIC has published the analytical document in several languages entitled “The state of digital broadcasting in Ukraine” (released 1 issue). The main purpose of the brochure is an attempt to identify new steps for the television industry and the state as a whole which should be scheduled today and to create the source of information related to the industry transition to digital broadcasting.

Since 2009, TIC has been supporting the National Festival of Public Services Advertising and has been a member of the jury in Video advertising category.

In November 2009 the Independent Expert Council on Mass Media intended to work during election campaigns began its work. This body is a temporary public monitoring and advisory body, created to ensure democratic presidential elections in Ukraine in 2010. TIC’s representative was elected the Secretary of the Council.

In November, TIC and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters held the roundtable discussion “The activities of the media during the election campaigns: compliance with the law makes it impossible to work”, whose purpose was to discuss problems which the media are facing in connection with the shortcomings of the election law, and finding common approaches to their solution.

In October, within the framework of the EEBC exhibition, TIC issued a brochure for TV viewers “Digital TV: everything a viewer needs to know”. The purpose of this document was to inform a viewer in the period of transition to digital broadcasting.

In October, TIC presented the Digital Committee stand at EEBC 2009 Telecom & Broadcasting - Seventh East European exhibition and conference on telecommunications and broadcasting.

In October, TIC, as a member of the Public Council for Information and Communication Technologies, developed “Guidelines for Candidates for President of Ukraine “On Urgent Measures for the Development of the Information Society in Ukraine”. The document is the result of collective and creative work of experts, representing virtually all major segments of information and communication technologies in Ukraine.

Since October TIC has had its representative at the Public Council of the State Committee for Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine.

In early October 2009, TIC filed a lawsuit against the Central Elections Committee (CEC) demanding to cancel the method of calculation of the average cost of a print space unit and an airtime unit in the media for campaigning during the regular presidential elections in Ukraine in 2009 – 2010, referring to violation by the CEC of procedures for the adoption of such method and non-compliance of the method with Article 60, paragraph 6 of the Law of Ukraine “On Presidential Elections of Ukraine”.

In September, regular awards ceremony of the National Television Award Triumph 2008-2009 was held. Golden statues were awarded to 24 prize winners. Award organisers: TIC and the National Council. The ceremony was broadcasted by the 1+1 TV channel.

In September 2009, the Third Annual International Forum of Digital Broadcasting in Ukraine, organized as usual by TIC and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters, was held. The Forum brought together over 120 professionals. The program consisted of four modules.

In September 2009 TIC became a member of the Public Council under the State Customs Service of Ukraine.

In June 2009, TIC protested against unscheduled inspections of TV companies by customs authorities. TIC's activity resulted in the termination of inspections. TIC also maintains the position that TV content intended for broadcasting must be imported with conditional full exemption from taxation pursuant to applicable laws and the Convention on temporary admission.

During April and May 2009, delegations of media experts from Moldova, Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan paid friendly visits to the TIC's office.

In April 2009, TIC released its version of a detailed action plan for implementation of digital broadcasting in Ukraine – Roadmap of digital broadcasting in Ukraine. This is a stagewise plan for implementation of digital broadcasting in Ukraine, listing all the necessary actions, responsible persons, and containing a developed plan of cooperation of state and public institutions, broadcasters, operators, equipment suppliers, and viewers involved in the implementation of digital TV. There are also estimated risks and proposed solutions.

In March and April 2009 TIC held the judging ceremony of Banff international television awards in two categories: Soap Operas and Telenovelas and Political Documentaries. The jury consisted of experts, representatives of the Ukrainian television industry.

In March 2009, TIC, together with the Ukrainian Advertising Coalition, the Outdoor Advertising Association of Ukraine, and the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine, held a roundtable discussion on problems of unfair advertising and misleading information.

In February 2009, TIC held press-courses “Cifrologia” (Numerology) to present to the wide range of non-specialized media specific terms and concepts associated with the introduction of digital broadcasting in Ukraine.

In January 2009, TIC organized a meeting with niche channels to discuss the current system of TV researches and the possible involvement of niche channels in full operation on the television market.

In early 2009, TIC filed a lawsuit against the National Council demanding the cancellation of the resolution “On approval of rules for broadcasting on television and radio channels in the days of mourning (grief) and days of remembrance” arguing that the National Council violated the procedure for development and publication of its resolutions. In April 2009 the court satisfied the

TIC's demands concerning the rules of broadcasting in the days of mourning, and the case is now considered in the court of appeals.

During 2009, TIC held meetings of its Legal Committee (3 meetings) and its Technical Committee (14 meetings).

In 2009 the company and its members were represented at the:

- Conference "Digital TV in Russia" (Moscow, Russia)
- DigiTAG CEE (Warsaw, Poland)
- Conference "Days of cable television" (Yalta, Ukraine)
- Digital Switchover Strategies CEE (Krakow, Poland)
- Digital TV World Summit (London, UK)
- EMRO 2009 (Elsinor, Denmark)
- NAB 2009 (Las Vegas, USA).

2008

Each year, TIC announces legislative priorities of the television industry, whereby describes the background information, analytics, and the necessary actions to address the pressing legislative issues for the industry.

Since 2008, TIC has been involved in the working group of the Ukrainian Parliament Committee on Freedom of Expression and Free Access to Information drafting the Law of Ukraine "On Elections of People's Deputies of Ukraine" and in the working group drafting the Law "On Television and Radio Broadcasting".

In 2008, TIC developed proposals and participated in drafting of the Law of Ukraine "On amending some laws of Ukraine to ensure transparency regarding ownership of mass media", working in the working group of the Ukrainian Parliament Committee on Freedom of Expression and Free Access to Information.

In late 2008, Multimedia Service Company - TIC member - changed logo Megasport to K1. Since that time K1 has been a TIC member.

In December 2008, TIC initiated a meeting of representatives of the advertising market and television to discuss terms of cooperation in the crisis.

In October 2008, a regular international audit of the television audience measurement panel of GFK Ukraine was completed; it was conducted from June to October at the request of TIC. The audit was conducted by the French company CESP.

In October 2008, in Cannes, France, TIC together with Media Resource Management, a media consulting company, organized Ukraine D'Azur Party within the framework of MIPCOM, the international content market, which for the first time brought together leading TV channels and production studios of Ukraine. The main purpose of this event was the presentation of Ukrainian TV industry and production as a mature civilized market with a strong production base and rich creative heritage and the landscape.

In September 2008, in Kyiv, at the initiative of TIC and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters, the second International Forum of Digital Broadcasting in Ukraine was held. The Forum was attended by over 130 participants, including representatives of national and foreign governmental bodies in the industry, leading broadcasters, manufacturers of equipment and software for the TV and radio equipment, media experts from 10 countries: UK, Germany, Greece, Estonia, Netherlands, France, Finland, Moldova, and Ukraine.

In June 2008, at the initiative of TIC, the European Semi-Final Round of Judging for the International Emmy® Awards 2008 was for the first time held in Ukraine. In Kyiv the jury worked on evaluation of European programs in two categories: Non-Scripted Entertainment and Comedy. The jury included: international and Ukrainian TV experts - top managers and owners of television companies and TV production studios.

In order to protect the interests of television industry, in June 2008 TIC sued the National Council of Ukraine for Television and Radio Broadcasting demanding the cancellation of recommendations regarding the language of broadcasting as it believed that the National Council is not authorised to determine the language issues, it is the prerogative of the Parliament (Articles 10, 92 of the Constitution of Ukraine). The case is being considered at the court of appeals.

In April 2008, TIC, together with the Ukrainian Advertising Coalition and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters, held the roundtable discussion "Mechanisms against the unfair actions of advertisers" to consolidate the market players and develop a common position and

a mechanism of counteraction to unfair advertisers and uncivilized business practices by the example of Telesystems JSC.

The roundtable discussion resulted in creation of the Mechanism of the industry counteraction to uncivilized business practices (non-payment for services rendered) which operates to this day. This document describes the methods of reaction and counteraction to uncivilized behaviour on the market.

In April 2008, the roundtable discussion was held to discuss the legitimacy and feasibility of the "Recommendations on the language of programs", adopted by the National Council of Ukraine for Television and Radio Broadcasting, and to develop a plan of actions for a constructive settlement of the situation. Organizers: TIC and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters.

In March and in October 2008, TIC held two job fairs Media-Career. The fairs were attended by more than thirteen thousand students and young professionals. The Media-Career participants were printed and electronic media, TV channels and radio stations, media and advertising agencies, photo and news agencies, training companies and recruiting agencies.

During 2008, TIC held meetings of its Legal Committee (7 meetings) and its Technical Committee (18 sessions).

2007

In 2007, TIC worked in the Independent Expert Council on Mass Media intended to work during election campaigns.

Since 2007 TIC has been a member of the Public Board of the State Committee for Entrepreneurship of Ukraine.

TIC also participated in the working group of the State Cinema Agency drafting the law "On Promotion of Cinematography of Ukraine".

In November 2007, TIC, within the framework of celebration of its fifth anniversary, organized the industrial conference "Television as a Business" to celebrate the Day of TV, Radio and Communication Employees. The conference objective was to analyze the television industry achievements over the past 5 years, learn about the experiences of other countries, and share the ideas of the challenges that await the industry in the near future and ways to resolve them. The conference consisted of four modules.

In November 2007, TIC, together with the Public Media Centre, the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters, and the Media Law Institute, organized the roundtable discussion: "What amendments to the media laws are required after the 2007 election campaign?" The discussion resulted in a series of conclusions and recommendations submitted to the Parliamentary Working Group, which was created to draft amendments to election laws.

In November 2007, TIC together with the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters launched a web-site dedicated to the transition to digital broadcasting: www.digitaltv.net.ua.

In October 2007, TIC together with the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters held the First International Forum of Digital Broadcasting in Ukraine dedicated to the transition to digital broadcasting in the country. Representatives of the leading players of the television market, national and foreign experts, technical experts, government agencies and organizations, business and specialized media were invited to participate in the Forum.

In October 2007, the Megasport TV channel joined TIC.

In April 2007, the procedure for auditing the analytical research of the Ukrainian viewership was completed. The audit was conducted by Peter Menneer, a known and reputable European television audience research auditor, at the request of TIC.

In March 2007, the Tonis TV channel joined TIC.

In February 2007, TIC, together with the Ukrainian Media Association and the Independent Association of TV and Radio Broadcasters, powered by the Vidrodzhennya International Foundation, held the conference "Ukrainian product in the national broadcast: state, problems and prospects". The conference objective was to discuss the existing methods of stimulation to increase the number of Ukrainian music and audiovisual products broadcasted, to develop recommendations for increasing their efficiency and procedure for legislative regulation.

In early 2007, in the transition to a new peplemetric panel, an analytical research of the Ukrainian viewership ordered by TIC was conducted by InMind Company.

In 2007, Kateryna Kotenko, TIC's Executive Director, represented TIC at the National Expert Committee for Protection of Public Morality.

During 2007, TIC held meetings of its Legal Committee (5 meetings), Technical Committee (18 meetings) and its PR Committee (3 meetings).

2006

In 2006, TIC released the book "Self-regulation of advertising in Europe" (Analysis of advertising self-regulation and the Code of Advertising Practice in Europe). This was the translation of the original English edition of Blue Book (EASA, fourth edition).

Since 2006 TIC has been involved in the work of the Public Council of the Committee on Freedom of Expression and Free Access to Information.

In 2006, TIC announced a tender for the TV audience research in 2008-2012. The tender lasted several months and was held in three stages; on November 30, 2006 the winner was announced - it was again the research company GfK Ukraine.

Throughout 2006 TIC actively participated in preparing amendments to the Law "On Advertising" relating to limitations on alcohol advertising on television.

In November 2006, TIC, together with the Outdoor Advertising Association of Ukraine and the Ukrainian Advertising Coalition, held the roundtable discussion "Perspectives of the advertising market of Ukraine" to make public and clarify all the changes in the advertising market of Ukraine as a result of the legislative innovations that are discussed in the Ukrainian Parliament.

In October 2006, TIC sponsored the roundtable discussion "Support and stimulation of the Ukrainian film industry through a special tax regime" as part of its work on stimulation and promotion of the national film industry.

In September 2006 members of the TIC's Legal Committee prepared a document of self-regulation which is still in effect - "Regulation of advertising on television" - whereby specified for market players the unclear provisions of the legislation.

TIC has been supporting the traditional television award Triumph for several years. In August 2006, a regular award ceremony was held.

In September 2006, in response to public expectations, TIC initiated the constructive public debate on the Award for Excellence in Television aimed at improving the television industry awards.

In August 2006, NTN Television Company joined TIC.

In July 2006, TIC and the National Council of Ukraine on Television and Radio Broadcasting signed the second Memorandum of Cooperation between television companies and the National Council. The document confirmed the intentions of TV business to reach an understanding with state authorities on Ukrainian broadcasting questions and national production.

During 2006, TIC has been arranging meetings of TIC Law Committee (8 meetings) and TIC Technical Committee (3 meetings).