

MUSIC ADVOCACY IN EUROPE

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BACKGROUND

- Political process to influence public-policy
- key pillar of democracy: freedom of association
- first hand information
- Indispensable mechanism for policy making

TARGET

- EC DG's (Markt, Connect, EAC)
- EP Committees
- Council (Coreper I &II)
- Music Industry (MSP's, Publishers, CMS)
- Society & Academics
 - > advocacy tools should consider nature of target

TOOLS & INSTRUMENTS

Transparency (EC lobbyist register)

Public consultations

Campaigning

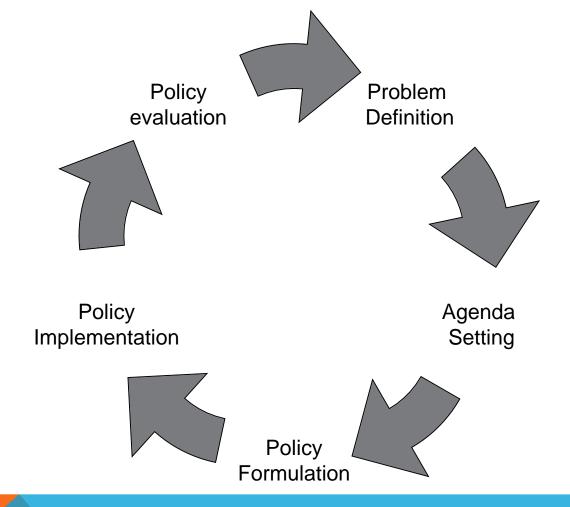
Commissioning and publishing research

Amicus brief (in court)

KEY:

Credibility, legitimacy and partnerships (i.e. EP Cavada Report 2012)

Timing



INTERNAL DECISION MAKING PROCESS

- corporate companies vs membership associations
- Structural challenge
- ECSA 3 committees:
 - Popular music writers
 - Film & audiovisual music writers
 - Contemporary & art music writers

TIMING

- starting advocacy after the policy formulation is too late
- advocacy must start when a certain problem is identified / defined and thus
- set on the agenda of relevant working groups

Well timed advocacy depends on 2 inter-related aspects:

TIMING

- Intelligence & Information channel
- Effective internal decision making process

CONCLUSION

Efficient advocacy should consider various aspects, but focus on:

- Problem definition & agenda setting
- Efficient decision making process
- Instruments to convey messages
- Timing & network
- Partnerships & collaboration

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