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Introduction

The Republic of Moldova will host the second European Political Community (EPC) Summit on 1 June at Mimi Castle in Bulboaca.

The Press center is located at the premises of Mimi Castle and is open on 31 May and 1 June.

Teleradio Moldova and Televiziunea Română, TVR, supported by the European Broadcasting Union are the official host-broadcasters of the Summit.

This Media Advisory provides information on accredited media access to different moments of the EPC Summit.



Badge collection

Media badge is required to enter the premises of the Summit on 31 May and 1 June.

Mediacor is the main point for badge collection. All journalists can collect their badges during 26-31 May at the entrance hall of Mediacor. Local media is highly encouraged to collect their badges during 26-28 May to streamline the process.

Mediacor is a production and media hub hosted by the Moldova State University (USM) and located on str. Alexei Mateevici 60, Chişinău. Please note that access to Mediacor is from str. Puşkin (across the street from Uptown café). Please also note that str. Puşkin is a one way street. Please refer to Annex 1 for a detailed plan of accessing Mediacor.

Badge collection hours at Mediacor:

26 - 31 May

for all media

26 - 28 May

highly
encouraged for
local press

10:00 – 16:00

hours

Journalists that arrive late in the Republic of Moldova on 31 May and do not manage to collect their badge during the opening hours at Mediacor will have the opportunity to collect their badge on 1 June at the Railway Station (Gara Feroviară) before departure to the venue.

Badge collection points by date:

26-31 May	Mediacor:	10:00 – 16:00
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1 June	Railway Station:	05:00 - 06:00
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Summit Venue:	Badges will only be issued to accredited journalists with lost badges and journalists arriving with delegations.
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Accreditation badges must be collected in-person.

Lost badges

- Journalists that lose their badge before the Summit or have identified mistakes in their badges should report it immediately to epc.media@mfa.gov.md with the message title „Lost badge for EPC Summit – (First Name, Last Name)”
- In case the badge loss was reported in advance, journalists can collect the new badge at the Chişinău Train Station between 05:00 - 06:00 on 1 June.
- In case badge loss was reported the night before or on the day of the Summit, the accredited journalist will be allowed to board the train and collect the new badge at the Summit Venue.

On-site Media Centre

The on-site Media Centre will be open to accredited journalists on 31 May and 1 June.

On 31 May the Media Centre will be open between 09:00 and 14:00. Journalists with heavy equipment are encouraged to leave it at the media centre on 31 May. While no lockers to store the equipment will be provided, the Media Centre is located at the Summit venue, which is highly secure and surveilled. Leaving heavy equipment at the Media Centre on 31 May will help streamline security control and access to the Media Centre on 1 June.

The on-site Media Centre consists of a Press Centre (2 tents), Press Conference Halls (2 halls) and a Broadcast Centre which includes 20 editing booths.

Please consult the map of the Media Centre at the Summit Venue in Annex 1.

Press Centre

A Press Centre (zone 9) with a capacity of 600 seated workspaces will be available for journalists to work while they cover the event. It will offer open plan workspaces with table and chairs, access to power and to Wi-Fi. The Press Centre will have screens throughout the area with live and taped host coverage for viewing and monitoring. Spaces cannot be reserved and are available on a first come first served basis.

Press conference halls

There are two press conference halls (zones 10a and 10b). One, with a capacity of 150 seats, will host the main press conference. The second one, with a capacity of 50 seats, can also host interviews. Spaces for interviews are available on a first come first served basis. Both press conference halls will host national briefings.

Broadcast Centre

20 TV and radio booths in the Broadcast Centre (zone 9a) are available to be booked with local distribution of host signal, ensured by the EBU.

Please note that the TV and radio booths are located in a wine cellar with a stable temperature of 14°C and 80% humidity. Please consider dressing appropriately.

Each workbooth is 2x2 m and is equipped with:

- 1 table and 2 chairs
- access to power (1x 16Amp)
- 1 x 10 Mb hardline Internet

Broadcast booths at the venue do not have doors but are equipped with curtains for privacy and some sound isolation.

For TV: 1x HD SDI pool drop with distribution panel for access to primary and secondary signal from host broadcaster, as well as 1x main press conference room and 1x national press briefing room.

For radio: 1x XLR pool drop with distribution for access to primary and secondary signal from host broadcaster, as well as 1x main press conference room and 1x national press briefing room, and audio channel selection.

Wi-Fi access will be available throughout the venue, including the Press Centre and the Broadcast Centre. Printers will also be available at the Press Centre.

The electrical sockets and plugs commonly used in Moldova are of type C or F. These sockets are compatible with devices that have Europlug (type C) or Schuko (type F) plugs. The standard voltage in Moldova is 220 V, and the frequency is 50 Hz.

For the convenience of journalists, the Press Centre will offer amenities such as water, coffee, tea, snacks throughout the day, and lunch boxes. There will be no restaurant services available at the Summit venue or in its surrounding area. If you have specific dietary restrictions or preferences, we recommend that you bring your own snacks.

Live Stand-up positions

A limited number of dedicated stand-up positions for broadcasters (zone 3a), with dedicated 16 Amp power and wired internet, are available to be reserved ahead of time.

SNG Parking

A limited number of SNG parking spaces (zone 11) is available near the venue. Please urgently contact Eurovision News Events with your requirements.

To book any of the above dedicated facilities (TV and radio booth, stand-up position, SNG parking) or with any questions on media facilities, please contact Eurovision News Events' team: newsevents@eurovision.net.

Planned Host Coverage

Here is the expected planned coverage from the Host Broadcaster, TRM and TVR following the Summit agenda. The information below is subject to change.

- Arrivals and welcome handshake - live coverage on primary feed
- Doorsteps - live and taped coverage on primary and secondary feed
- Opening session - live host spray and live for opening remarks
- Roundtables - taped coverage, replay on primary feed
- Family photo - live coverage on primary feed
- Closing main press conference - live coverage on primary feed
- National press briefing rooms (x2) - live coverage on secondary and taped coverage with replay on primary

Usage restrictions of host broadcaster coverage: Free of rights.

Please see full details below.

Access to Host Coverage

Host coverage will be available in 1080i50.

- **On-site:** Local distribution of the host coverage will be available in each of the broadcast booths - for TV or radio
- **Digital distribution:** Full events and clips of the Host coverage will be available for download on EBU's Newsdirect platform. Registration is required for security purposes, but free and easy. It is recommended you register ahead of the event to have your login credentials in time. Clips will be available in video files (MXF and MP4) and audio files (MP3 or WAV via MXF download).
- **Satellite:** Distribution of the main and secondary feeds of the host coverage will be made available on EU7B over Europe for downlink via the European Broadcasting Union (EBU.) Parameters are available by booking your online participation on the event's webpage: <https://www.eurovision.net/myeurovision/booking/event/52177> and click on Participation + and select the signals you wish to receive. You will be sent a synopsis with the parameters to downlink the signal.

The footage from the Host Broadcaster is available for free to all media on the EBU platform NewsDirect. Sign up is required for access. www.newsdirect.ebu.ch.

All the media opportunities are also live streamed on Europe by Satellite (EbS).

■ Accessing Newsdirect

To access broadcasting videos, media representatives and delegations need to register (registration is free and simple but required for security reasons) and then login on the Newsdirect digital platform: <https://newsdirect.ebu.ch/auth/login>.

Next, they will click on the event "European Political Community Summit" and find all the available media there. Events can be downloaded in their entirety or highlighted clips can be selected

for downloads in MXF, MP4 and audio file.

For detailed instructions, please consult Annex 1. How to download broadcasted media.

Media opportunities

Accredited media will have following access to the moments of the EPC Summit:

■ Arrivals

Participating delegations will arrive at Mimi Castle between 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. The Head of Delegation (HoD; Head of State or Government) will arrive in the motorcade at the main gate of Mimi Castle.

Media attendance

The arrivals will be covered by multiple camera angles in the courtyard, and the host will have cameramen stationed in the scrum to cover the doorsteps.

■ Handshakes and doorsteps

The President of the Republic of Moldova, Maia Sandu, will welcome HoDs on the red carpet (zone 2). During that time, in the case of an official photographer being present, they will need to stay out of the host camera view.

After a brief exchange of greetings, both will position themselves facing official photographers and then facing doorstep cameras.

After the handshake, the HoD will continue their journey on the red carpet towards the Plenary Room, walking along the doorstep area where they will have an opportunity to make press statements (zone 3b).

Media attendance

All accredited media will have access to handshakes and doorsteps. Media are kindly requested to be aware that doorsteps will be occurring at the same time as ongoing HoD arrivals and handshakes.

Opening ceremony

The opening ceremony will start at 12:00 pm and last until 12:30 pm.

The HoDs will participate in the opening ceremony, accompanied by one member of their respective delegations.

During the opening ceremony of the Summit, the organizers will provide simultaneous translation in the following languages: English/French/German/Italian/Spanish/Romanian.

Media attendance

Given the space, a limited pool of photographers will be able to take photos at the beginning of the opening ceremony.

The segment will be covered by the Host Broadcaster, which will provide a live coverage/camera spray of the opening meeting and opening remarks of all speakers.

Please note that no videographer besides the Host Broadcaster will have access to the opening ceremony.

Family photo

A family photo will follow.

Media attendance

All accredited media will have access to the family photo (zone 5). They will be guided and accompanied to the location of the family photo and back to the media centre area.

The Host Broadcaster will provide live video coverage of the family photo.

■ **Roundtable sessions**

Following the plenary event, leaders' roundtable conversations will take place inside the Mimi Castle.

Up to four roundtables are planned.

Media attendance

Only host photographers will have access at the beginning of the sessions. There will be taped spray coverage provided by the host broadcaster.

■ **Bilateral meetings**

It is expected that after working lunch HoDs will hold bilateral and other-format meetings.

Media accreditation

Official photographer(s) of the HoDs will have access to the bilateral meetings. Access to delegation photographers and videographers accredited as media will be granted on per request basis. It will be the responsibility of national delegations hosting the bilateral meetings to agree media access.

The Host Broadcaster will not cover bilateral meetings as the coverage is to the discretion of the participating delegations.

■ **Main press conference**

The press conference held by Moldova's President Maia Sandu is scheduled between 17:00 and 17:30 (zone 10a).

Media accreditation

All accredited media are welcome to attend and cover the main press conference. Some spaces will be provided on a pool basis to international outlets. Remaining spaces will be offered on a first-come-first served basis.

Other media will be able to follow the main press conference via a livestream from the Host Broadcaster.

The Host Broadcaster will provide live coverage of the press conference on the primary feed, both in the broadcast booths and via satellite.

■ **National press conferences**

The national press conferences can take place before or after the main press conference. The final schedule of press conferences will be confirmed in due course.

■ **Media accreditation**

Media attendance at the national press conferences will be decided by the national delegation hosting each press conference.

The Host Broadcaster will provide single-camera coverage of the national press briefings.

■ **Social Media and the website**

All the information dedicated to the second EPC Summit can be found on the official website of the event:

 www.epcsummit2023.md

Additional information can be found on the official EPC Summit in Moldova social media accounts:

 EPCMoldova  EPCMoldova  EPCMoldova
 EPCMoldova  EPCMoldova

Official live announcements will be posted in the lead up to the summit date. Usage of content will be allowed based on the copyright norms indicated on the official social media platforms.

■ **Official photos and videos**

Official photos are published on the official Flickr account EPCMoldova. These photographs are uploaded as quickly as possible after every opportunity. The official photos are courtesy of the Presidential Administration of the Republic of Moldova. They may be used free of rights for news and official government purposes only, with mandatory credit to the Presidential Administration of the Republic of Moldova.

Contact information

Contact for delegations
(booking of the individual/
national press conference)

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Booking stand-up positions
or TV and radio booths

[https://www.eurovision.net/
events/news/politics/52177/
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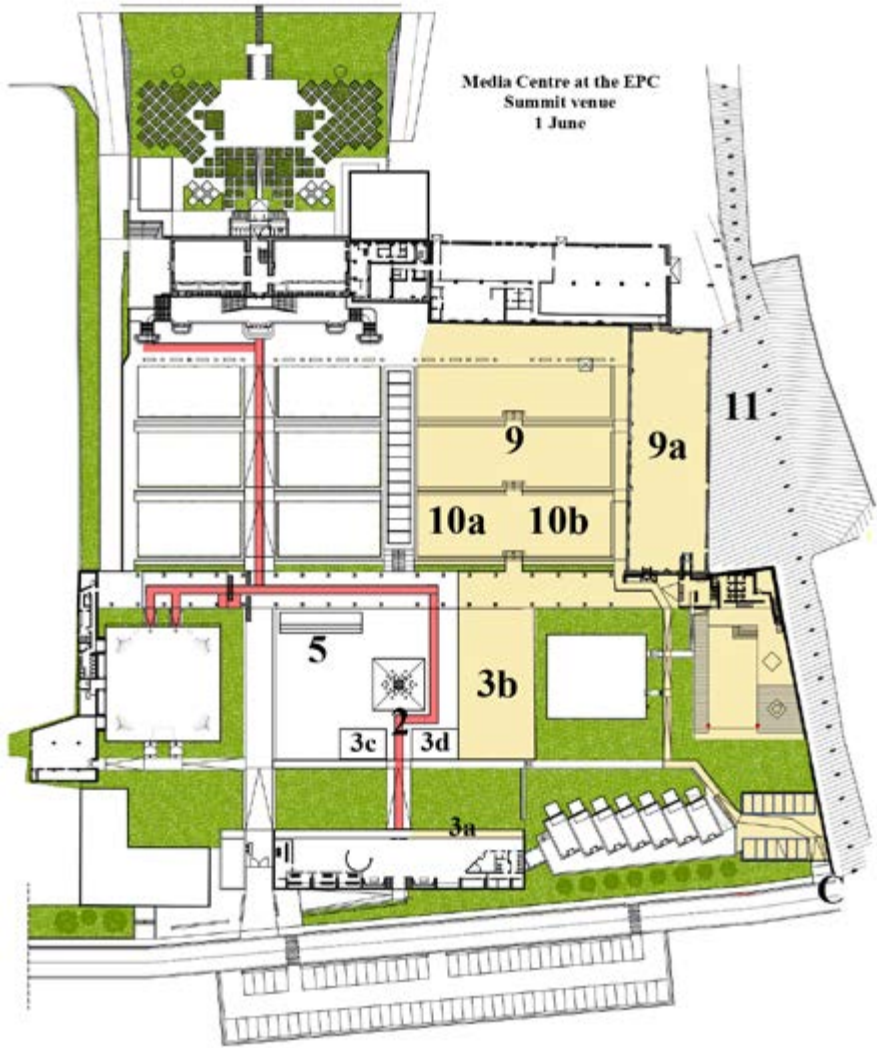
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Other information

Detailed information regarding press accreditation, badge collection, media workspaces before the Summit, reaching the Summit Venue and others can be found in the Practical Media Guide published on the official website of the second EPC Summit.

ANNEX 1. Map of the Media Centre at the Summit Venue



ANNEX 1. How to download broadcasted media

Acces & Login

<https://newsdirect.ebu.ch/>

Newsdirect Authentification Methods

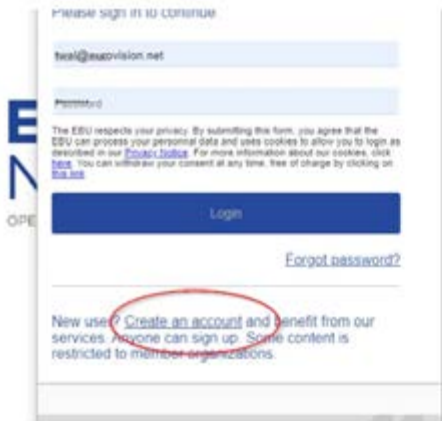
EBU SSO Account

1. Select **Single Sign-On** (vs **External**)
2. Click on EBU SSO
3. Enter your EBU e-mail and password



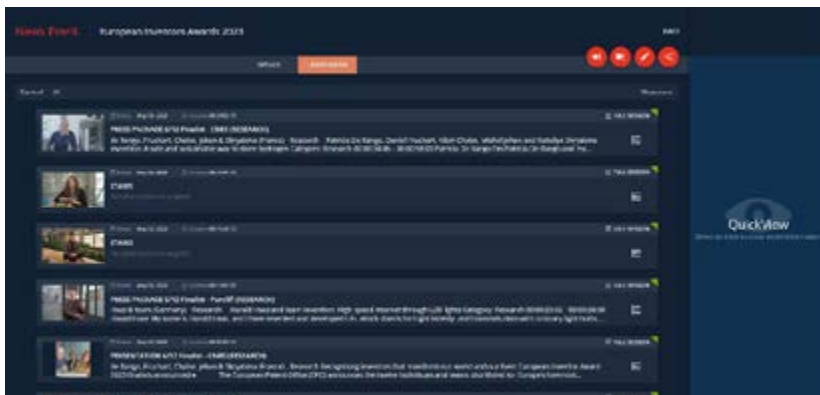
New user

Should you not have an EBU SSO account, follow steps 1 and 2, then click on **Create an account**.



How to download a media

Click on **News Events**, select the event you want, then click on **Show details** (bottom right) and then the **Linked Media** view (and on **Show more** (top right) if needed).



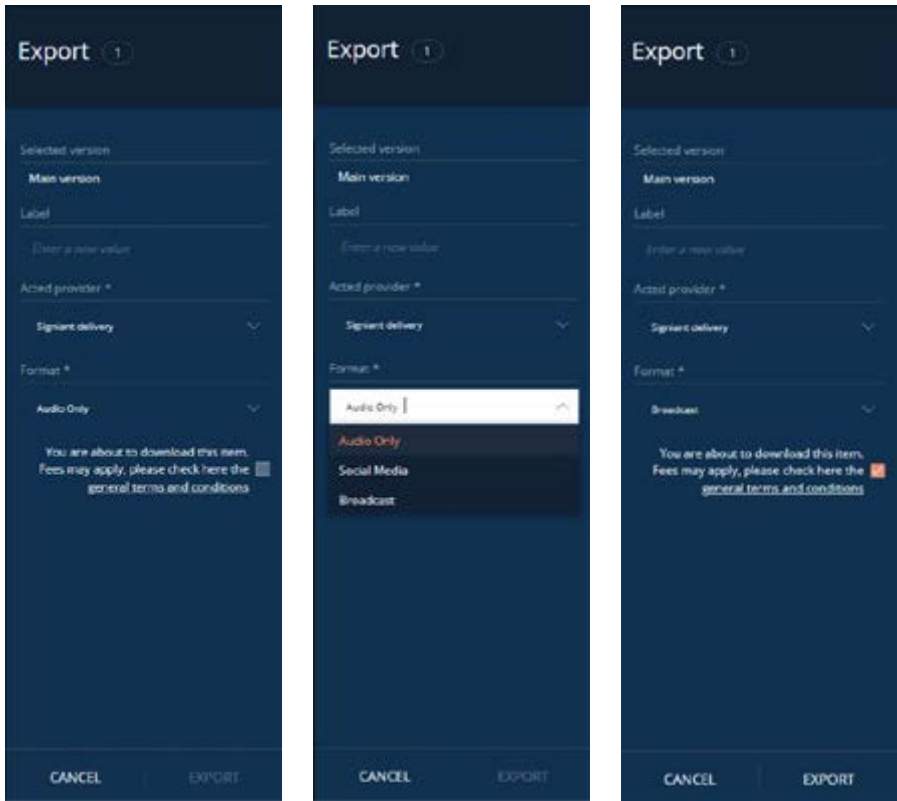
Then click on the content you want to download, and click on the Export icon highlighted in green below:



AS you can see, you are given the choice by the platform between 3 formats:

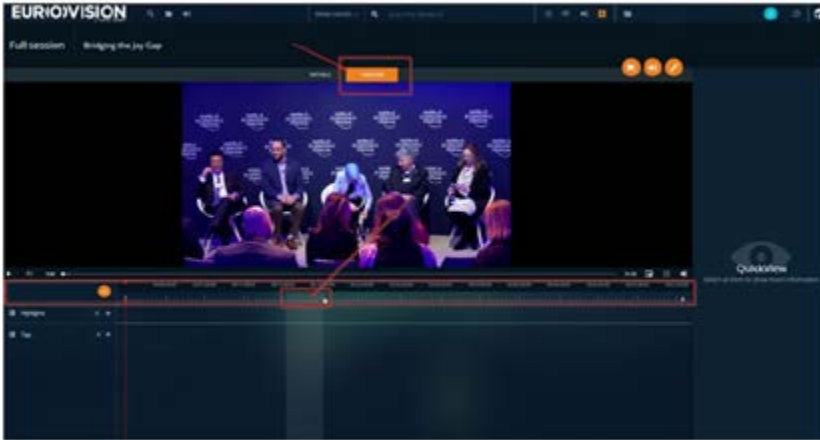
- Broadcast: h264 crf HD 1980x1080 (.mp4)
- Social Media: h264 crf 1280x720
- Audio only: AAC 192kbps (.mp3)

Select the requested format, check the general terms and conditions and click on **EXPORT** (bottom right).

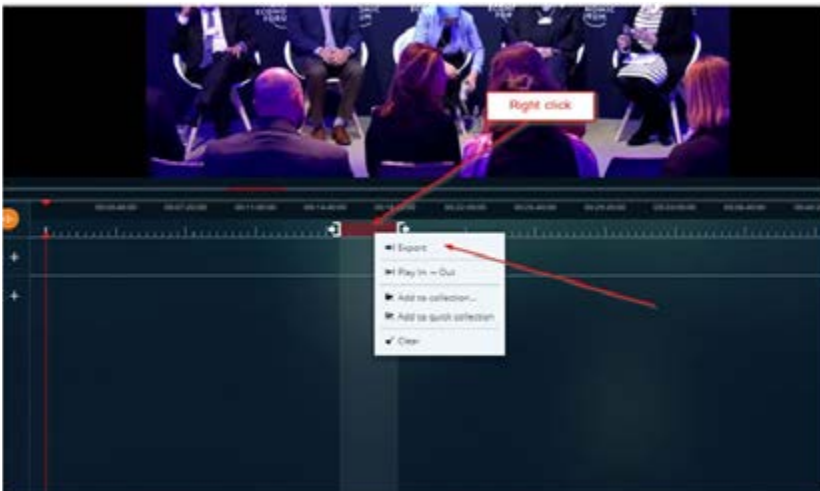


You can also download an extract:

1. Select the **Timeline** view (highlighted by default in orange) and drag the mouse below the player to select the part of the media you need:



2. Your selection will be highlighted in red. Right-click on it, and choose **“Play In-Out”** to preview your clip, then **“Export”** to download it:



And then that is the same procedure as we saw before to export.

When you click on export, you will receive an email with a link:



Then, click on the link and you'll access the Signiant Media Shuttle platform, where you will be able to download the document you exported (you have to click on the name of the document before click on the download button).



ANY ISSUES?

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