Amendment 131

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Proposal for a directive
Recital 38 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

In accordance with Article 11(2), the responsibility of information society service providers pursuant to Article 13 should not extend to acts of hyperlinking in respect of press publications.

Or. en
Amendment 132

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Proposal for a directive
Article 13 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Information society service providers that store and provide to the public access to large amounts of works or other subject-matter uploaded by their users shall, in cooperation with rightholders, take measures to ensure the functioning of agreements concluded with rightholders for the use of their works or other subject-matter or to prevent the availability on their services of works or other subject-matter identified by rightholders through the cooperation with the service providers. Those measures, such as the use of effective content recognition technologies, shall be appropriate and proportionate. The service providers shall provide rightholders with adequate information on the functioning and the deployment of the measures, as well as, when relevant, adequate reporting on the recognition and

Amendment

1. Information society service providers that store and provide to the public access to large amounts of protected works and other subject-matter uploaded by their users which the service providers organise and promote for profit-making purposes shall:
use of the works and other subject-matter.

(a) be obliged to enter into licensing agreements with requesting rightholders for uses of their protected works that conflict with the normal exploitation thereof;

(b) provide requesting rightholders all information about user uploaded content made publicly accessible on the service through dedicated automated communication channels, so that the rightholders can inspect the uploaded content and, using the same channels, directly claim recognised copyrighted works and request removal or de-listing in accordance with paragraph 3.

The costs arising from the inspection shall be borne by the service providers.

Or. en
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Proposal for a directive
Article 13 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall ensure that the service providers referred to in paragraph 1 put in place complaints and redress mechanisms that are available to users in case of disputes over the application of the measures referred to in paragraph 1.

Amendment

2. Member States shall provide for an exception or limitation to Articles 2 and 3 of Directive 2001/29/EC for works uploaded by the users if these users do not act for commercial purposes and are not the rightholder or his or her representative. In the case of the absence of an agreement with a rightholder, revenue generated from the availability of the work on the service after it has been made available shall be awarded to the confirmed rightholder through a licensing agreement with the respective collecting society representing that type of author. The first sentence of Article 13(2) shall not apply, if the uploaded work is the original unmodified and unabridged version of the work.

Or. en
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Proposal for a directive
Article 13 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall facilitate, where appropriate, the cooperation between the information society service providers and rightholders through stakeholder dialogues to define best practices, such as appropriate and proportionate content recognition technologies, taking into account, among others, the nature of the services, the availability of the technologies and their effectiveness in light of technological developments.

Amendment

3. To ensure that the measures provided for in paragraph 1 are effective and proportionate and without prejudice to exceptions and limitations to copyright and to freedom of expression, complaints and redress mechanisms shall be put in place. Those mechanisms shall ensure that:

(a) rightholders are able to automatically report exact and complete matches of uses of protected works for monetisation or removal to the service providers using web-based automated communication (application programming interfaces);

(b) rightholders furthermore have the right to request an expeditious de-listing
from search results of uploads that are exact and complete matches of protected works available in wholesale, even during the removal dispute period;

(c) where the rightholder requests the removal of copyrighted content, the uploader should have a fixed period of time, but no less than 48 hours, to respond to the request. During that period the content shall remain available online, notwithstanding potential delisting pursuant to point (b) above. The uploader shall receive an explanation of the request and a list of possible defences that puts them into a position where they can easily challenge the request if appropriate;

(d) Member States shall provide a mechanism to resolve disputes, for example by appointing an independent third party, that allows uploaders and rightholders to challenge the decision by the service provider;

(e) The service providers or the independent third party appointed by the Member State shall exclude from the reporting mechanisms described in this paragraph, for a limited period of time, individual rightholders or their representatives who submit requests obviously abusively or in a high number of unsuccessful cases.

Or. en
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Proposal for a directive
Article 13 – paragraph 3a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission
Amendment

3a. Member States shall facilitate, where appropriate, the cooperation between the information society service providers, rightholders and users’ representatives through stakeholder dialogues to define best practices.

Or. en
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Proposal for a directive
Article 13 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. The service providers and rightholders shall publish aggregated statistical data about their interaction, such as the number of removal requests and the number of complaints and redress procedures referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3.

Or. en