

# 05. Europa video player

## Rules

All videos in the European Commission websites must be

- played using the Europa video player
- published on the [Audiovisual Portal](#)

## Background

The Europa video player and [Audiovisual Portal](#) are managed by the Audiovisual Services (DG Communication/A4).

The Europa video player provides an easy way to integrate video files on web pages and works on any device and browsing platform (web, mobile, apps...) .

## Main features

- multi-browsers: IE10+, Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Edge, Vivaldi, Opera
- multiple audio tracks
- subtitling feature (SRT and VTT format)
- Europa analytics integration
- virtual reality and 360° video
- streaming format: HLS and progressive MP4
- MPEG-DASH support
- no installation required (central tool)
- based on HTML5 and keeps a Flash component to serve some social media platforms (mainly Facebook) which don't accept third party players
- this service doesn't require cookies

Watch this [online tutorial](#) to find out more about the main features of the Europa video player.

## Procedures

### Centrally stored videos

Follow the [central deposit procedure](#) (EU Login required) to publish videos on the Audiovisual Portal and play them on your website.

### Locally stored videos

Locally stored videos are not allowed for contents produced or purchased by the services of the Commission.

They must be hosted on DG Communication's Audiovisual Library by decision of the Central Communication Steering Committee of 6 November 2018.

## Contact and support

Need further assistance on this topic? Please contact the team in charge of the [Europa video player](#) service. (EU Login required)