

Time to correct imbalance of genders in news media

This opinion piece argues that male voices dominate the airwaves in Ireland, as presenters and commentators. The National Women’s Council recently published its submission to the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland. It set out its recommendations in a consultation document for the “draft code on fairness, impartiality and accountability in news and current affairs”. This contained research showing that women’s voices accounted for fewer than a quarter of all panelists, presenters and newsreaders in current affairs radio shows aired by the main stations of the State. The phenomenon of the extensive exclusion of is not limited, though, to the airwaves. Print media and television programmes regularly reinforce the impression that women are, or should, be non- contributors and that the hard business of politics and current affairs is better left to male counterparts.

Key information on EU or National policies/legislation on women's' representation on the Media:

The article mentions the National Women’s Council submission to the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland in a consultation document for the “draft code on fairness, impartiality and accountability in news and current affairs”.

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