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## RTCG IS PARTNER OF THE FAST FORWARD HUMAN RIGHTS FILM FESTIVAL

Centre for Civic Education (CCE) will organize Fast Forward Human Rights Film Festival for the third time, with even more diverse programme. In this regard, <u>CCE has</u> <u>signed a new Cooperation Agreement with RTCG</u> today on the 9 November, when *the International Day Against Fascism and Anti-Semitism* is being celebrated.

**Daliborka Uljarević**, executive director of the CCE and **Rade Vojvodić**, General Director of the RTCG signed a contract that was created as an expression of understanding of both sides that an intensive communication and cooperation among all stakeholders is required in contributing to the establishment of a human rights culture. This especially refers to the cooperation between the media and non-governmental organizations, which besides the institutions may significantly affect the improvement of this framework.

According to the contract, RTCG will devote full media attention and provide representation of the Festival in its regular news and other programmes, produce festival chronicles during the Festival, broadcast promotional video and participate in the Festival Council through its representative. CCE will present RTCG in promotional material issued by the Festival, give exclusive rights to interviews with guests of the Festival and TV rights for 6 films to RTCG.

By supporting the Fast Forward Human Rights Film Festival, public broadcasting service RTCG gives a positive contribution to promotion of principles of tolerance, understanding of the modern concept of human rights and respect for diversity, development of empathy for the numerous violations of human rights and increase of public awareness of the need for citizens to defend their and rights of those who are not able to do it. Exactly that kind of approach is the basis for the functioning of every genuine public broadcasting service and CCE welcomes the decision of RTCG leadership to strengthen its own transformation process through these activities too. That proves that last year established cooperation in this aspect has not been *ad hoc*, but that the leadership of this media has a tendency to approach such projects in a systematic and long-term manner.

By signing a new cooperation agreement on the International Day against Fascism, CCE and RTCG symbolically reminded of the principles which the Fast Forward Film Festival itself will promote and which are summarized in the message that human rights are inseparable, guaranteed and indefeasible, and there is no excuse for their violation, which should be sanctioned.

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