

EMPOWERING USERS (MEDIA LITERACY)

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1. Responsibilities in media literacy

The public authorities and audiovisual media service providers shall contribute to the media literacy of citizens.

The Catalan Audiovisual Council (CAC) is and has been active in the promotion of Media Literacy on a voluntary basis:

- Drawing up codes of practice and recommendations.
- Conducting research (i.e. evaluating media skills).
- Promoting awareness of the need for media literacy.
- Setting / coordinating policies.



The CAC projects regarding Media Literacy are structured around four lines of action:

- a) Publications.
- b) CAC School Awards.
- c) Promotion of Research.
- d) Co-regulation and self-regulation.



a) Publications

White Paper: Education in the Audiovisual Environment

-The aim was to diagnose the issue and propose the most suitable treatment in order to correct any dysfunctions detected.



Llibre Blanc: L'educació en l'entorn audiovisual



Quaderns del CAC, extraordinary number. November 2003



a) Publications

By the Forum for Audiovisual User Organisations



(amongst others)

- The values in the contents of the programmes targeted to children and young people (2002)
 http://www.cac.cat/pfw_files/cma/forum/documents/Valors_en_la_program-aci_infantil.pdf
- Television and family, activities for the debate (2006)
 http://www.cac.cat/pfw_files/cma/forum/documents/televisio_i_familia_activitats_debat_definitiu.pdf
- Publicity in the family environment (2010)
 http://www.cac.cat/pfw_files/cma/forum/documents/Publicitat_entorn_familiar_--Activitats_debat.pdf



a) Publications How to watch TV?

- Didactic guide for teachers with activities addressed to primary and secondary school students

- Volume 1: Fiction

- Volume 2: News programmes

- Volume 3: Advertising

 Volume 4: Talk Show, Sports, Contests and other formats



How to watch TV? 2005 4 volumes and DVD



a) Publications Education in

Communication

audiovisual

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- Establishes a basis both for:
- criteria on which this education should be based.
- dimensions that must be taken into account.

Education in audiovisual communication

Quaderns del CAC, 25. May-August 2006



a) Publications

Childhood, adolescence and media literacy

The monographic *Quaderns del CAC* (number 40) related to the *Media Literacy in childhood and adolescence* will be published next July 2014.



b) CAC School Awards (Premis El CAC a l'Escola)

- Since 2003.
- The purpose is to encourage students to develop the tools for critical reading of audiovisual content.



- Category A: Primary and secondary school students (from 3 to 18 years old).
- Category

B:

Teachers.



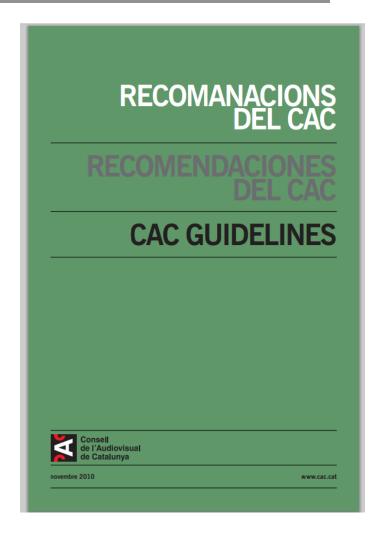
c) Promotion of Research CAC research projects into audiovisual communication

- Open to projects about audiovisual communication, in the wide sense of the concept.
- Some of the projects that received grants deal with Education in Audiovisual Communication.
 - I.e.: A strategy for the media literacy in YouTube (by Carmen Echazarreta)
 - The documentary as an educative tool (by Ramon Breu).



d) Co-regulation and Self-regulation

Up to now CAC has drawn up a list of recommendations which refer to the media treatment of immigration, personal tragedies, drugs, anorexia and bulimia, gender violence, the quality of the electoral information, trash television, toy advertisements on television...





3. Other organisations with media literacy policy/how do the different stakeholders in your country collaborate?

- There are several initiatives, amongst others:
 - a) the department of Education of the Catalan Government: Xarxa XTEC (www.xtec.cat), more focused on Digital competences, like the mSchools

http://mobileworldcapital.com/en/page/67

b) and associations (i.e. Drag Màgic, www.dracmagic.cat, Teleduca www.elparlante.es, Aula Media www.aulamedia.org), more focused on media literacy.



3. Other organisations with media literacy policy/how do the different stakeholders in your country collaborate?

- Agreement of collaboration between the Department of Education and the CAC (the agreement will be signed next 18th June 2014, the award day of the CAC School Awards).
 - The object of the agreement is to establish a collaboration framework between the CAC and the Department of Education with the aim to set up a plan to introduce communication education in the Catalonian educative community.



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- The CAC interacts and partnerships with:
 - Universities
 - Civil society
 - Administration.
- At international level, the CAC has subscribed to a collaborative agreement with the Bayerische Landeszentrale für neue Medien, amongst others, to promote the elaboration of a good practice code for safe media use, targeted at the most vulnerable groups, specially the minors.



4. How do you measure the success of Media Literacy initiatives?

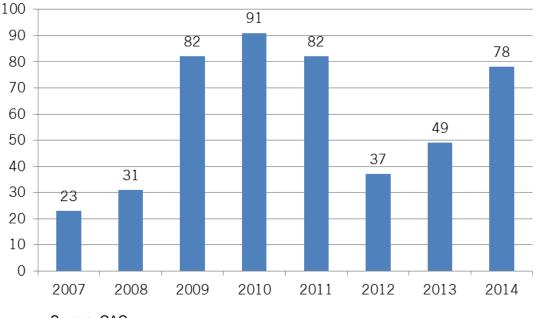
In the case of the CAC School Awards, there is a comparative analysis of the projects submitted, in the following terms:

CAC School Awards. Number of Education Centres and applications submitted. Period 2007-2013.

	Number	Application
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	centres	submitted
V (2007/08)	28	31
VI (2008/09)	57	82
VII (2009/10)	59	91
VIII (2010/11)	59	82
IX (2011/12)	24	37
X (2012/13)	34	49
XI (2013/14)	53	78

Source: CAC

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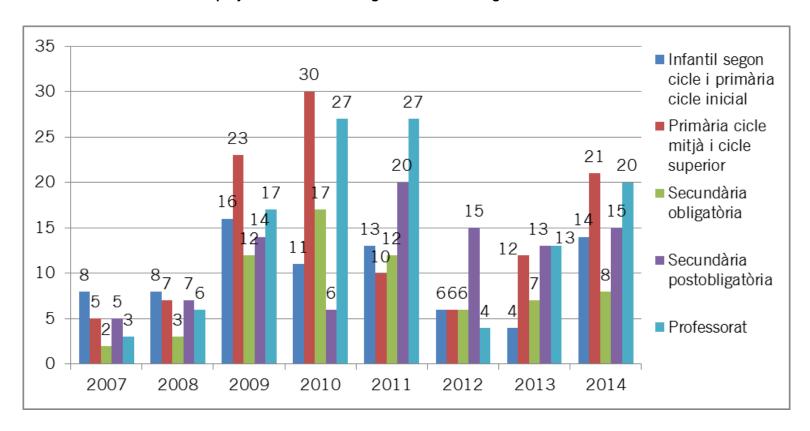


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CAC School Awards. Number of projects submitted. Categories and subcategories distribution. Period 2007-2014



Source: CAC

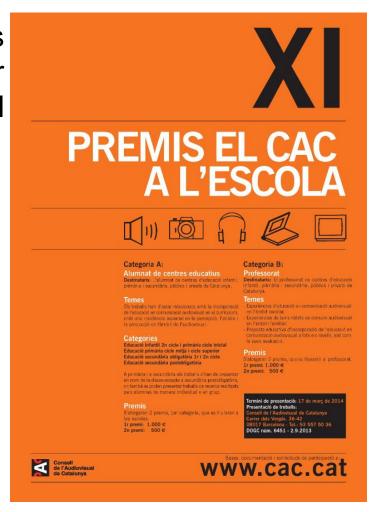


1. CAC School Awards

Main purpose: encouraging students from the schools to develop the tools for critical reading of the audiovisual languages.

Participants:

- Category A: Primary and secondary school students (from 3 to 18 years old).
 - Infant second cycle and primary first cycle education.
 - Primary education Mid cycle and higher cycle.
 - Secondary obligatory education.
 - Secondary education.
- Category B: Teachers





In the meantime, please, feel free to like, support, post or comment on the CAC School Awards Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/CACescola



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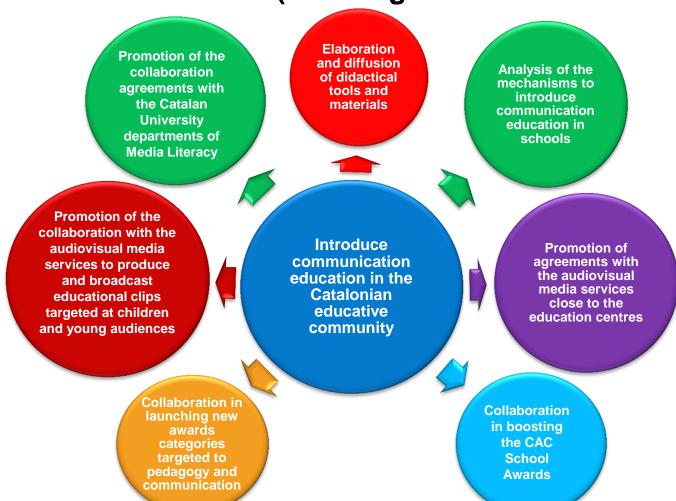


2. Agreement of collaboration between the Department of Education and the CAC (to be signed next 18th June 2014)

- The Department of Education of the Catalan Government and the CAC, are going to collaborate to set up a plan to introduce communication education in the Catalonian educational community, including the launch of specific initiatives and the boost of the ones that are already being implemented by schools, by the Department of Education and the CAC.
- The plan is divided in 7 actions with the aim to provide children and young people with the necessary tools to adopt their own criteria and know how to look critically at audiovisual content.



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