

Five take-aways from the ComRes / Burson-Marsteller EU Media Poll 2016

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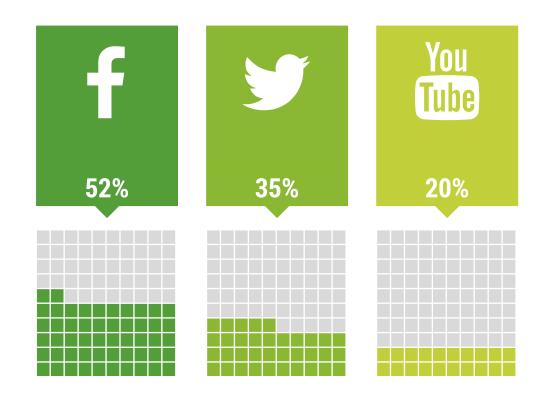
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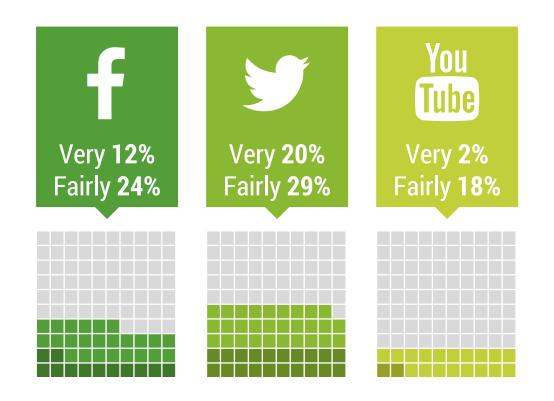
# Social media channels used by European influencers at least once a day



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Social media channels seen as 'very influential' or 'fairly influential' by European influencers





## Make your voice heard

Ensure you have a social media presence and the skills to manage it

## Have a social media strategy

Twitter, Facebook becoming 'one-stop shops' for news and information – tell your story on social media

## Use videos to get your message over

Videos on social media are increasingly important in communicating with and influencing EU influencers





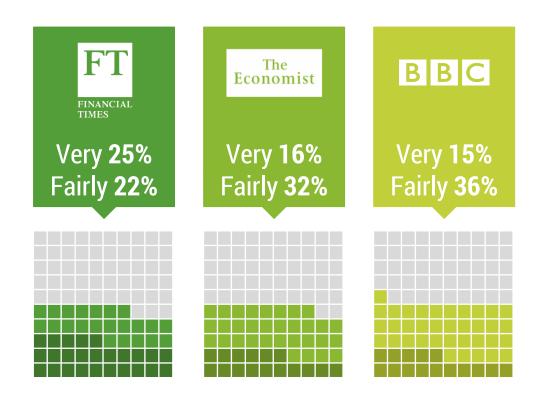
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## Use power of 'transnational' media

Coverage in the FT, Economist or on the BBC reaches a large audience with a transnational message

# Integrate social media into media plan

Journalists from traditional media are often major online influencers – seek to engage them via social media

## Be relevant and interesting

Ensure that your story matches these media's news agenda and give them a new or surprising angle



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# National media has lower impact with EU influencers

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national outlets register among most important media for news on EU issues for EU influencers

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National media has lower impact in Brussels

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cited any national outlet as a weekly-read or influential source of EU news



## **Recognise limits of national media**

Don't expect complex EU issues to reach EU influencers through general, national-focused media

### **Understand political context**

National media still has an impact – sets the political context in which MEPs understand voters' needs

## Find the local angle

Focus on the local angle of a European story, and follow up with 'big picture' in Brussels





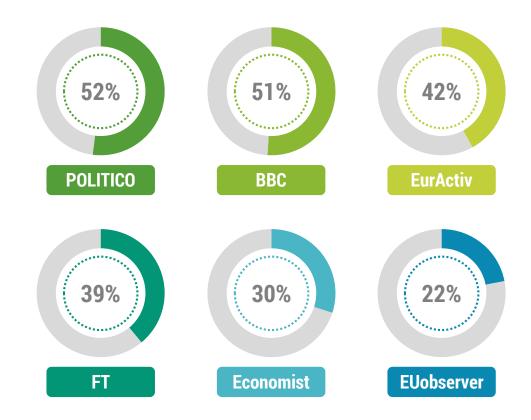
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# Media read at least once a week for news on EU issues





#### **Understand the change**

POLITICO has made a big impact with a 'newsier', less process-focused approach to EU information

#### **Tell your story**

Develop a narrative about your organisation's purpose and goals to complement your lobbying campaigns

#### Reach the influencers

Around 20,000 people receive the Brussels Playbook daily – a key opportunity to get your message over





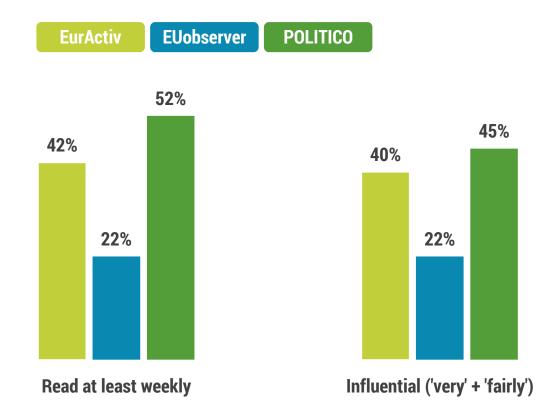
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How frequently do you read the following media, and how influential are they?







## **Get the right mix**

Mix POLITICO's 'newsier' approach with EurActiv's policy focus to get your messages across

## Use editorial content and advertising

Mix your media relations work with paid, multi-platform advertising on EurActiv, EUobserver or POLITICO

### **Meet the specialists**

Work with us to get to know the specialist journalists covering your policy area



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