FIRST PAN AFRICAN MEDIA AFRICANEWS TV CELEBRATES TWO YEARS ANNIVERSARY

BEST LAUNCH AWARD AT GRAND PRIX MEDIA

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USPA NEWS - Within two years, Africanews (www.Africanews.com), the first pan-African and multilingual media outlet stands out among the media landscape on the continent. The channel is already a leading source of news for millions of Africans in search of a relevant and independent information. Whether on television screens, on the website or through its mobile applications, Africanews has for the past two years been offering to its audience a credible and an unbiased pan-African information in French and in English, produced and realized by Africans, and broadcasted from the headquarters in Pointe-Noire.

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After a successful launch in 2016 with two awards ("Best Launch" at the Grand Prix des Médias 2016 and "Best New Channel Launch" at the 2016 Content Innovation Awards), Africanews has maintained this excellence. Reports on the continent have seen strong growth and Africanews content delivery has been enriched with two new weekly magazines launched in 2017and 2018: International Edition (https://goo.gl/yU3CNc), the press review of international news from a pan-African perspective Inspire Middle East (https://goo.gl/GWcAMs), a window on the MENA region which takes viewers into the leading edge of innovations, be they technological, cultural or lifestyle-related. Africanews will soon be launching Inspire Africa, highlighting millions of men and women who established Africa's development and are driving the continent's growth, creativity and innovation. A programme broadcasts on Africanews and Euronews.

AFRICANEWS AUDIENCES ACCORDING TO SURVEYS------

The results of the latest Africascope 2017 * survey also underline the good performance of the channel since its launch, with an annual audience of 6.3 million people, up from 2016.

In French-speaking Africa, Africanews achieves its best scores, where its awareness rate now stands at 45%, reflected by a weekly audience of 3.2 million viewers.

MICHAEL PETERS, CEO OF EURONEWS AND PRESIDENT OF AFRICANEWS------

Michael Peters, CEO of Euronews and President of Africanews stated: "From the beginning, Africanews has positioned itself as a news outlet with an editorial independence to provide informations, and for two years, our audience shows an ever increasing loyalty to this information broadcasted without any ideological preference nor nationalism, intended for the citizens of the continent".

AFRICANEWS DISTRIBUTION-----

In 2017, Africanews increased its distribution and is now available in 38 countries and 11.7 million homes ** in sub-Saharan Africa, thanks to the partnership with the leading pay-TV platforms of the continent ,including Canal+ Africa, Startimes, Azam TV and Kwesé TV.

AFRICA NEWS ONLINE------

Africanews expanded its digital offering in 2017 with the launch of its Apps (July for iOS devices and January 2018 for Android devices), allowing its audience to access the latest African and international news anywhere and anytime.

*Africascope 2017 survey (Kantar TNS)

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