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## **Greek Authors' Society Autodia signs agreement with PRS for Music**

Recognising the urgent need for a strong and effective system of administration for the rights of music creators and publishers in Greece, *PRS for Music* has entered into a non-exclusive mandate with the Greek Authors' society Autodia for the administration of PRS' Public Performance right having terminated its representation agreement with AEPI in 2017. Commencing 1 July 2018, Autodia will be able to license PRS' rights for general performance in Greece.

*PRS for Music* has granted to *Autodia* a general performance mandate for the licensing of the public performance right within the hospitality sector, retail outlets, clubs and venues. All other performance rights will be licensed and managed by *PRS for Music* including TV & Radio broadcasting, digital services and major live concerts.

*PRS for Music* represents the rights of songwriters, composers and music publishers in the UK and around the world. As a membership organisation it works to ensure that creators are paid whenever their musical compositions and songs are streamed, downloaded, broadcast, performed and played in public. With over 100 representation agreements in place globally, *PRS for Music's* network represents over two million music creators worldwide. In 2017, 6.6 trillion performances of music were reported to *PRS for Music* with £717m collected on behalf of its members, making it one of the world's leading music collective management organisations.

*Autodia* continues to increase its market share in Greece through the signing of reciprocal agreements with major CMOs and through membership of major Greek commercial repertoires now moving rapidly to *Autodia*.

*Autodia* is a non-profit CMO which is a member of CISAC and BIEM and fully compliant with the Directive on Collective Rights Management (Directive 2014/26/EU) and Greek laws. *Autodia* is becoming with the full support of CISAC the internationally-recognised authors' collective management organisation in Greece. This is an important moment of transition in the Greek market, as *Autodia* implements a programme of reforms in its management and business activities.