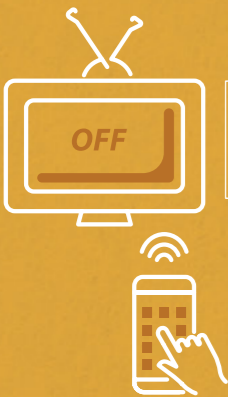


# Trends in Media independence



**TRUST IN NEWS MEDIA** is seen to have **declined in some regions**



**INCREASED DEPENDENCE ON government and corporate subsidies** is linked to disruptions in business models



**INCREASED SELF-REGULATORY EFFORTS BY INTERNET INTERMEDIARIES** are promoting media and information literacy, counteracting 'fake news' and tackling online abuse



**RISE IN CRITICISM OF THE MEDIA** by political figures is encouraging self-censorship and undermining media's credibility



**BROADCAST LICENSING** continues to be driven by **political and commercial interests**



**SELF-REGULATORY BODIES**, which can support the exercise of professional standards while maintaining editorial independence, **have grown in post-conflict and developing countries**