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## LISTEN UP! AUDIOBOOKS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Audiobooks are once again on the agenda during the conference LISTEN UP!, the special event on the world of audio organized in collaboration with Bookrepublic. Publishers and producers from around the world have taken up the challenging market opportunities offered by audio content, with almost 50,000 audiobooks being produced in the United States in 2017 alone. Who listens to audiobooks? The latest research confirms that 54% of all American users are under 45. In the children's segment in particular, audiobooks help to increase literacy. How are children's book publishers reacting to the growing use of smart speakers? These and many other questions will be answered by the international guests of LISTEN UP! The conference will look at sales, market data and consumer trends, comparing publishers and major audiobook sector players. Equally important will be the presentation of an international survey organized by Bookrepublic and APA - Audio Publishers Association of New York.

#### **SPEAKERS**

#### INGRID BOINER

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Executive Director, American Audio Publishers Association (USA)

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The conference will be held in English. Event organized by Bologna Children's Book Fair

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