International Conference

News Organizations Standing Up for the Safety of Media Professionals

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Programme

UNESCO Headquarters, Paris
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This event follows a decision by UNESCO’s Executive Board to hold a conference with high level representatives of news organizations “to share good practices on the safety of journalists and more proactively highlight the issue of journalist safety”.

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8:30 - 9:00
Registration & Coffee

9:00 - 9:30
Opening Statements of convenors
Venue: Room X
• Irina Bokova, Director-General, UNESCO
• Jim Boumelha, President, International Federation of Journalists
• Erik Bjerager, Vice-President, World Editors Forum

9:30 - 10:15
High Level Session 1: Safety of Journalists - Challenges
Venue: Room X
Theme: What are the main challenges for the safety of journalists worldwide?
Moderator: Guy Berger, Director of Division of Freedom of Expression and Media Development, UNESCO

Speakers:
• Monica Maggioni, President, RAI (Radiotelevisione Italiana) and Vice President, European Broadcasting Union
• José Rubén Zamora, Founder, El Periódico, Guatemala
• Brechtje van de Moosdijk, Foreign News Chief Editor, RTL News, the Netherlands
• Emma Beals, Frontline Freelance Register
• Noureddine Boutar, Editor-in-Chief, Radio Mosaïque FM, Tunisia

10:15 - 11:00
High Level Session 2: Safety of Journalists - Responses
Venue: Room X
Theme: What are the responses of the media industry to safety threats?
Moderator: Christiane Amanpour, Chief International Correspondent, CNN and Goodwill Ambassador for Freedom of Expression and Journalist Safety, UNESCO

Speakers:
• Marie-Christine Saragosse, President, France Médias Monde, France
Breakout Round Table Sessions

Round Table A: Good Newsroom Practices

Venue: Room XI

Themes: Trainings, working conditions and post-trauma recovery programmes, etc.

Moderator: Siobhan Sinnerton, Commissioning editor, Channel 4, UK

Rapporteur: Elisa Lees Muñoz, Executive Director, International Women’s Media Foundation, USA

Speakers:

• Zaffar Abbas, Editor-in-chief, Dawn, Pakistan
• Doug Jehl, Foreign editor, The Washington Post, USA
• Mpumelelo Mkhabela, Editor-in-chief, Sowetan, South Africa
• Ricardo Trotti, Executive Director, Inter American Press Association
• Diane Foley, Founder & President, James W. Foley Legacy Foundation, USA
• Solomon Passy, former Foreign Minister of Bulgaria and President of the Atlantic Club, Bulgaria

Coffee break

11:00 -11:30

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• Claudio Paolillo, Owner, Búsqueda and Chair of the Commission on Press Freedom, Inter American Press Association, Uruguay
• Javier Moreno, Chief Content Officer, PRISA, Spain

**Round Table B: Safety for Community, Regional and Local Media**

**Venue:** Room IX

**Theme:** Including community and local media in national safety networks

**Moderator:** Francesco Diasio, Secretary General, World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters

**Rapporteur:** Courtney Radsch, Advocacy Director, Committee to Protect Journalists

**Speakers:**
- Bazlur Rahman, Chief Executive Officer, BNNRC Community Radio Network, Bangladesh
- José Ignacio López Vigil, Founder, Radialistas Apasionadas y Apasionados, Ecuador
- Fatemah Faragh, Owner, Welad Elbalad Media Services, Egypt
- Adela Navarro Bello, General Director, Zeta, Mexico
- Hassan Ali Gesey, Chairman, Somali Independent Media Houses Association, Somalia
- Gabriela Manuli, Deputy Director, Global Investigative Journalism Network
- Ginna Morelo, President, Consejo de Redacción, Colombia

**Round Table C: Safety for Freelancers and Social Media Producers**

**Venue:** Room VI

**Theme:** Recognizing the conditions of those who generate journalism without fixed connections to media institutions, and the media industry’s stake in their safety
Moderator: David Rohde, National Security Investigations Editor, Thomson Reuters and Executive Committee Member, A Culture of Safety Alliance
Rapporteur: Scott Griffen, Director of Press Freedom Programs, International Press Institute

Speakers:
• Salim Amin, Co-founder and Chairman, A24 Media, Kenya
• Elisabet Cantenys, Head of Programmes, Rory Peck Trust, UK
• John Daniszewski, Vice President of International News, The Associated Press, USA
• Janine di Giovanni, Middle East editor, Newsweek, USA
• David Millikin, Director for North America, Agence France-Presse, France
• Jason Reich, Global Director of Security, BuzzFeed, USA
• Maria Carolina Trevisan, blogger, Jornalistas Livres, Brazil

Lunch offered by Al Jazeera Media Network (UNESCO Restaurant, 7th floor)

Presentation of the UNESCO/RSF Safety Guide for Journalists by Christophe Deloire, Director-General, Reporters sans frontières

Welcome address by Mostefa Souag, Acting Director General, Al Jazeera Media Network

High Level Session 3: Ending Impunity Together
Venue: Room X
Themes: Dialogue between the media industry and Member States, awareness-raising, coverage coinciding with World Press Freedom Day & the International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists, national campaigns to fight impunity
Moderator: Zeinab Badawi, Presenter, BBC, UK
Speakers:
• Cilla Benkö, Director General, Sveriges Radio, Sweden
• Mostefa Souag, Acting Director General, Al Jazeera Media Network, Qatar
• Veran Matić, President, B92, Serbia
• Nadezhda Azhgihina, Vice-Chair, European Federation of Journalists, and Secretary, Russian Union of Journalists, Russian Federation
• Alfred Taban, Editor-in-chief, The Juba Monitor, and Director, of Association for Media Development in South Sudan, Association, South Sudan
• Tapio Sadeoja, Editor-in-chief, Ilta-Sanomat, Finland
• Khair al-din Al-Nnsour, Co-founder & CEO Jusoor media company and Executive Director, Yemen 21 Forum, Yemen
• Alejandro Santos, Director, Revista Semana, Colombia
• Iqbal Khattak, Coordinator, Pakistan Coalition on Media Safety, Pakistan

16:00 - 16:30
Coffee break

16:30 - 17:45
Final Session: Open Microphone and Closing Remarks
Venue: Room X
Theme: Ways forward.
The moderator will summarise the breakout roundtable discussions and open the floor for interventions by any other participants.
Moderator: Richard Sambrook, Chairman of the Board, International News Safety Institute

Speakers:
• Albana Shala, Chairperson, International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC), UNESCO
• Larry Kilman, Secretary General, World Association of Newspapers and News Publishers

Closing remarks:
Getachew Engida, Deputy Director-General, UNESCO