



THE LONDON SYMPOSIUM ON SAFETY OF JOURNALISTS

Making the Protection of Journalists A Reality: Time to end Impunity

Hosted by BBC Global News and CFOM (Centre for Freedom of the Media, University of Sheffield) in cooperation with the BBC College of Journalism. The organisers are very grateful for the generous support for this event by the Open Society Foundations.

Date: Monday April 7 April, 2014

Time: 0930 to 1630

Registration is from 0900 and the event will start promptly at 0930

Venue: The Council Chamber, BBC Broadcasting House, Portland Place, London W1A 1AA

Agenda

SESSION ONE: 0930 to 1100

Getting to grips with Anti-Media Violence and Impunity

Moderator: Stephen Sackur, presenter of *HARDTalk*, BBC TV

- **Opening remarks**

Peter Horrocks, Director of BBC Global News
What strategy against impunity?

- **Brazil and Latin America:** Journalists as victims and eye-witnesses

Presentation: Marcelo Moriera, Editor, Globo TV, Brazil

Discussant One: Andre Caramante, Brazilian investigative journalist

Discussant Two: Ricardo Gonzalez, Article 19: *Learning to survive: A call for joined-up media strategies to stop intimidation and self-censorship*

- **Egypt:** Silencing of Independent Reporting: 'Journalists are not neutral about the right to report'

Video Report: David Brundle, Al Jazeera English

Presentation: Heather Allan, Head of Newsgathering, Al Jazeera English

Discussant: Heba Morayef, former Egypt Director, Human Rights Watch

- **Pakistan:** State power and targeted violence against journalists



Video: Report by Tahir Imran, BBC Urdu

Discussant One: Faysal Aziz Khan, Bureau Chief of Geo TV

Discussant Two: Owais Ali Islam, Pakistan Media Safety Coalition

- **Keynote Speech:** Guy Berger, Head of Freedom of Expression and Media Development, UNESCO: How Media can help themselves

COFFEE BREAK: 1100 to 1130

SESSION TWO: 1130 to 1300

Fighting Impunity through law – The role of international bodies and governments

Moderator: William Horsley, International Director of CFOM

- **Opening Presentation.**

Aidan Sullivan, *A Day Without News?* and Getty Images
Journalists join the campaign for global action

- **What use is international law for protecting journalists?**

Presentation: Nicholas Tsagourias, CFOM, University of Sheffield, author of *Violence Against Journalists and Crimes Against Humanity*

- **Turkey:** Political controls on media and the roots of impunity:

Video Report: BBC Turkish reporter, Selin Girit
Discussant: Kadri Gursel, Milliyet newspaper

- **Two deaths in Mali:** What is the legacy of murder?

Presentation: Marie-Christine Saragosse and Mattieu Mabin, France Medias Monde (RFI, France 24, MCD)

A manifesto for actions: Christophe Deloire and Lucie Morillon, Reporters Without Borders ‘This is our fight’: Weapons in the struggle for justice

Presentation: Is protection of journalism: a second-order issue? Understanding the debate among States
Rob Fenn, Head, Human Rights and Democracy Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK

- **Roundtable:** ‘Getting away with murder?’ How to fight impunity through law

Leading international media lawyers share their expertise based on past and current cases

David McCraw, Assistant General Counsel and Vice President, *New York Times*

Taras Shevchenko, Director, Ukrainian Media Law Institute

Can Yeginsu, Barrister at 4 New Square Chambers

LUNCH 1300 to 1400

SESSION THREE: 1400 to 1500

Moderator: William Horsley

Keynote Speech: Journalism, Impunity and the International Criminal Court

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, First Vice-President of the International Criminal Court

'Is Killing Journalists a Crime against Humanity? – The mandate and approach of the ICC'

A rare exposition and opportunity for dialogue with a senior figure of the ICC. What can be learned from attempts to make international law work to counter impunity? What are the possible next steps?

TEA BREAK 1500 to 1515

SESSION FOUR: 1515 to 1630

Moderator: Stephen Sackur

Symposium Rapporteur: William Horsley

Strategy Session for Global Media Representatives

'Killing journalists is the most drastic form of censorship': information-sharing on future priorities; consideration of strategies and common actions to achieve better protections and to end the scourge of impunity; proposals and structured discussion about lines of action on core issues:-

- Media awareness, investigations and reporting threats to independent journalism and the causes of impunity
- Media engagement with international efforts to eradicate impunity
- Journalists and others in the new media 'ecosystem': who deserves protection?
- 'United we can make the difference': the merits of closer media cooperation for safety and advocacy at national and international level

1630 TEA AND REFRESHMENTS

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