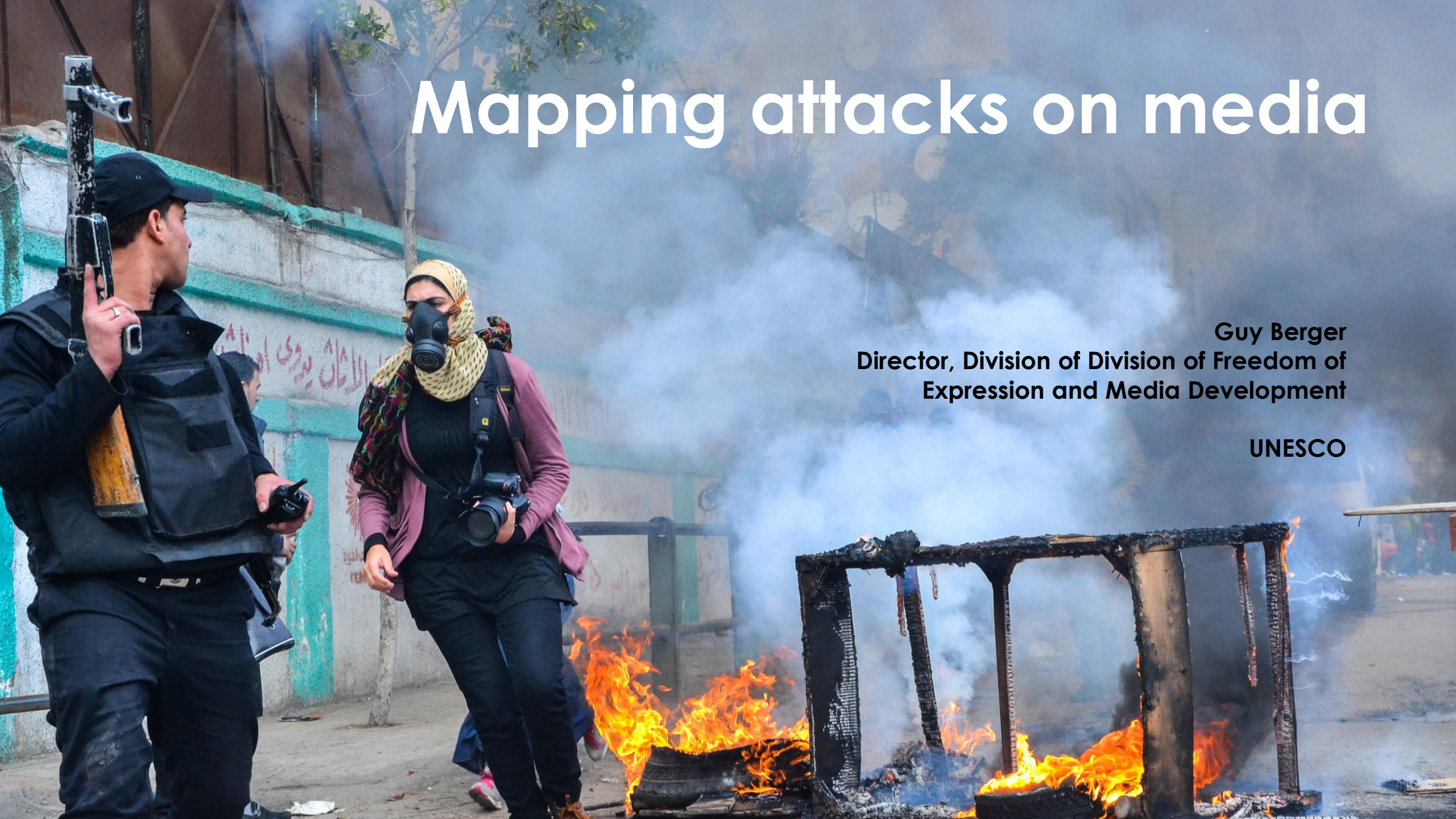


Mapping attacks on media

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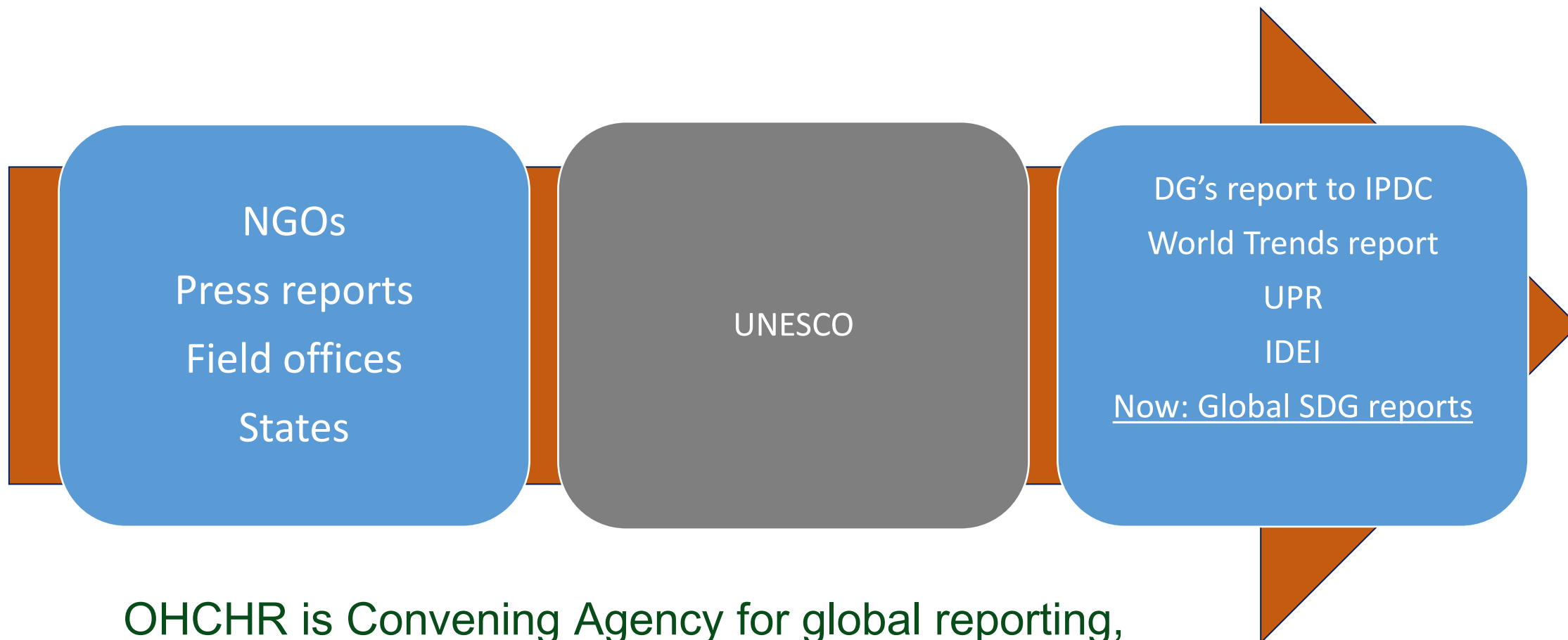


Monitoring matters

- Quality information is vital fuel for:
 - knowledge of *magnitude* & *nature* of problems
 - *awareness-raising* & education
 - *accountability* and interventions
 - creating *mechanisms* to prevent, protect, prosecute
- UN Plan of Action on Safety:
 - = inspires greater co-operation & concertation in monitoring attacks on journalistic safety



UNESCO's monitoring: inputs & outputs



OHCHR is Convening Agency for global reporting,
UNESCO is a Contributing Agency

SDGs as a universal agenda

- SDG 16: Promote peaceful & inclusive societies, access to justice for all, & effective-accountable-inclusive institutions
- Target 16: Ensure public access to info & fundamental freedoms, in accord with national laws & international agreements.
- Indicator 16.10.1: No. of verified cases of killing, kidnapping, enforced disappearance, arbitrary detention & torture of journalists, associated media personnel ...” (annual)



SDG indicator 16.10.1 – opportunity?

- Metadata says: 16.10.1 monitoring starts with killings, will evolve to add other forms of violations or abuse as data collection & methodology improve.
- SDG 16.10.1 is already used for limited global reporting,
 - UNSG report – a para on global trends
 - UNSD database – country specifics (early stages)
- Potential for SDG 16.10.1 in national monitoring?



UN Plan consultation 2017



Outcome document: *Options*

- UNESCO: Continue *partnerships* for research on emerging issues regarding the safety of journalists, and create synergies...
- UNESCO: Deepen work with OHCHR in developing *comprehensive* safety reporting on SDG indicator 16.10.1 ... and assist Member States in their *own monitoring* in this area.
- MEMBER STATES: *Upgrade* information-gathering & monitoring systems ... to serve as a *knowledge* base for strengthening national law & policy and for reporting.



Options: Member States can

- Strengthen related *data collection* including through partnerships with UN entities, civil society and other stakeholders;
- Consider using SDG indicator 16.10.1 as part of *national monitoring* and reporting...; and
- Ensure that monitoring and reporting efforts include the *digital, physical and psychological* safety of journalists, and incorporate gender-sensitive analysis



Options: Regional intergovt organisations

- Can enhance the sharing of good practices and joint capacity building exercises, especially on data collection, monitoring and guidelines ...

Re: Media, civil soc, academia, Net platforms

- Can play important monitoring roles



UNGA resolution 2017 A/C.3/72/L.35/Rev.1

- Calls upon States to create and maintain, in law and in practice, a safe and enabling environment for journalists ... inter alia by means of ...
- (c) regular monitoring and reporting of attacks against journalists;
- (d) collecting and analysing concrete quantitative and qualitative data on attacks or violence against journalists, that are disaggregated by, among other factors, sex.



UNESCO GC resolution 39 c/61

- Encourages Member States to carry out, on a voluntary basis, national monitoring of indicator 16.10.1 on the safety of journalists,
- in the context of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and
- requests the Director-General to support Member States in this process;



Getting academics more engaged



The image is a screenshot of the UNESCO website. At the top left is the UNESCO logo, which consists of a classical building facade with the word 'UNESCO' in the center, and the text 'United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization' below it. To the right of the logo is a large heading 'Communication and Information'. Below this heading is a breadcrumb trail: '» Communication and Information » Themes » Freedom of expression » Safety of Journalists » UNESCO's Research Agenda'. Below the breadcrumb trail is a blue sidebar with white text: 'Freedom of expression', 'Safety of Journalists', 'Texts', 'and the Statistics', and 'Archives'. The main content area has a heading 'UNESCO's Research Agenda on the Safety of Journalists' and a paragraph: 'To strengthen cooperation with academia in line with the UN Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity, UNESCO has developed an academic research agenda on the topic of safety of journalists. By creation of the agenda,



Join the network ...

The image shows a screenshot of a Facebook group page. At the top, the group name 'Journalists' Safety Research Network' is displayed in a search bar. Below the name, it is identified as a 'Closed Group'. On the left side, there is a navigation menu with options: 'Discussion', 'Members', 'Events', 'Photos', and 'Files'. The main content area features a 'PINNED POST' by 'Emily Mediafreedom' dated July 13, 2016. The post includes the CFOM logo and a welcome message for the Journalism Safety Research network (JSRN), mentioning its hosting by the Centre for Freedom of the Media (CFOM) at the University of Sheffield, UK, and its launch at the World Press Freedom Day 2016 Research Conference in Helsinki in May 2016.

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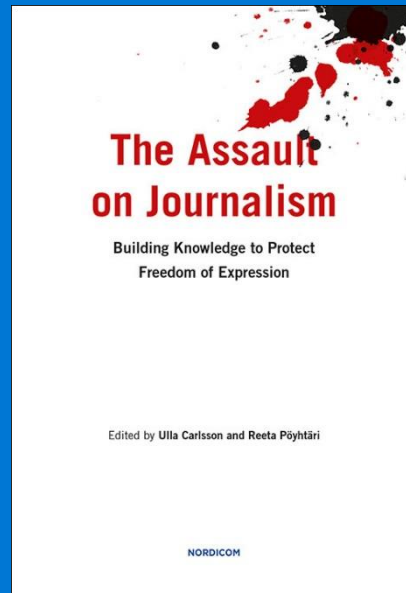
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CFOM Emily Mediafreedom updated the description. July 13, 2016

Welcome to the the Facebook group for the Journalism Safety Research network (JSRN). It is hosted by the Centre for Freedom of the Media (CFOM) at the University of Sheffield, UK, with the support of UNESCO and was launched at the World Press Freedom Day 2016 Research Conference held in Helsinki in May 2016.

Conferences and publications

- Side conferences during World Press Freedom Day
 - 2016: Helsinki
 - 2017: Jakarta
 - 2018: Accra
- Oslo 2016, 2017



- Research with UNESCO's *Journalism Safety Indicators*



June 2017: Geneva – with detailed concept note

UNESCO convenes technical workshop on measuring the safety of journalists



29 June 2017

Successful reporting on the safety of journalists as part of tracking progress on Sustainable Development will depend upon the capacity, independence and integrity of monitoring processes in each country.

This was underlined by Frank La Rue, UNESCO's Assistant Director-General for Communication and



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The range of safety realms for monitoring

- *DDOS, hacks, content interference, blocks/filters*
- *** in the World Trends Report*

	SDG indicator	UNESCO reporting	Issues to add?
Killing	X	X	
Kidnapping	X	X**	
Disappearance	X		
Arbitrary detention	X	X**	
Torture	X		
Assault			X

Other harmful acts

Harassment (+ confiscating kit)			X
Intimidation (threats & bullying, on/offline)			X
Enforced exile			X
Cyber-attacks*			X
Arbitrary surveillance			X

	SDG indicator	UNESCO reporting	Issues to add?	<u>PRIORITIES</u> <u>GLOBAL &</u> <u>NATIONAL?</u>	<u>AND: Is</u> <u>there a</u> <u>sequence</u>
Killing	X	X		X	↑
Kidnapping	X	X			↑
Disappearance	X				↑
Arbitrary detention	X			X?	↑
Torture	X				↑
Assault			X	X?	↑
Harassment (+ confiscating kit)			X	X?	↑
Intimidation (on/offline)			X	X?	↑
Enforced exile			X		↑
Cyber-attacks			X		↑
Arbitrary surveillance			X		↑

Prioritisation, definitions and data?

- What are most significant amongst:
1. killing, 2. kidnapping, 3. disappearance, 4. arbitrary detention, 5. torture, 6. assault, 7. harassment, 8. intimidation (incl threats) 9. enforced exile, 10. cyber-attacks, 11. “arbitrary” surveillance ...?
- What universal definitions & what data exists or can be collected nationally and on a global scale?
- Is a minimum data standard possible?

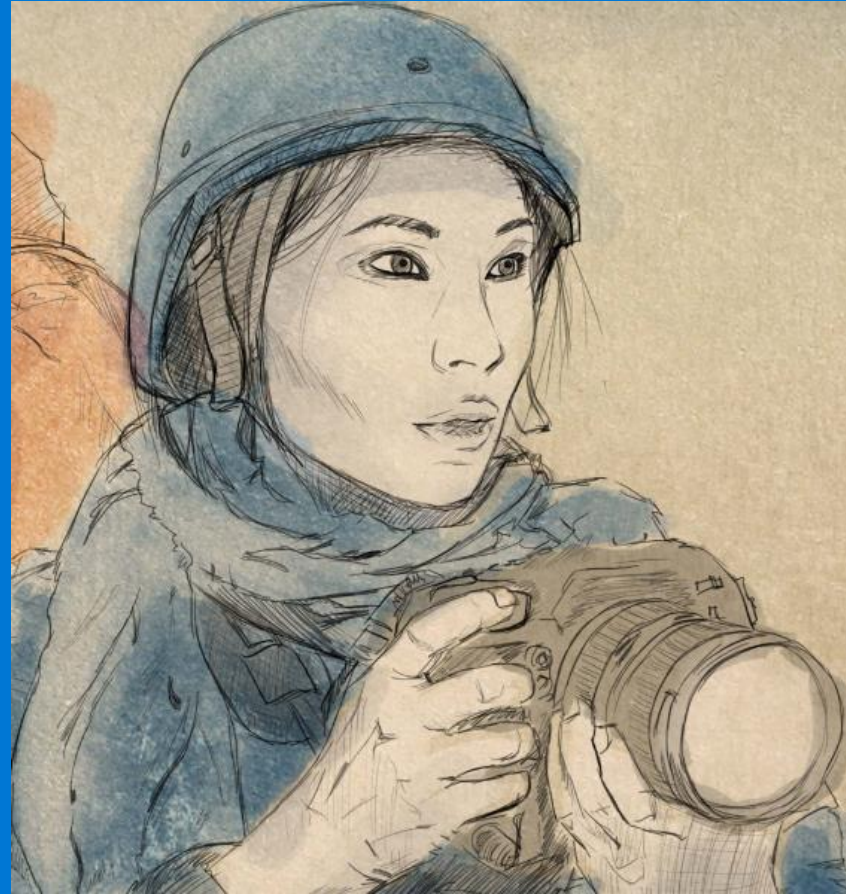


Challenges

- How to combine and grow our knowledge resources at national and global levels?
- Beyond knowledge of attacks, what to do so that we get to know more about the impact of attacks – and impact of counter-measures?
- Parallel challenge: how to put our knowledge to work ... through single and joint actions?
- Where do we mobilise the resources to advance?



Thank you!



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