STOCKHOLM CONFERENCE ON MEDIA FREEDOM IN THE OSCE REGION

Increasing Public Trust in Independent Media through the Implementation of OSCE Commitments



Provisional agenda

Tuesday 18 May

14.00-15.15 Opening session

Opening speech: **Ann Linde**, OSCE Chairperson-in-Office and Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs

Opening speech: **Teresa Ribeiro**, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Keynote speaker: **Timothy Garton Ash**, Professor of European Studies in the University of Oxford, Isaiah Berlin Professorial Fellow at St Antony's College, Oxford, and a Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University.

15.20-17.30

Session 1: Facilitating a safe media environment through national strategies, experiences, and action plans

Branko Stamenković, Deputy Republic Public Prosecutor of the Republic of Serbia and Member of the Permanent Working Group for Safety of Journalists

Filippa Arvas Olsson, Senior Advisor, Swedish Ministry of Culture

Representative from the Adil Soz Foundation, Kazakhstan (tbc)

Moderated discussion





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09.00-11.00

Session 2: A pluralistic media environment

Cilla Benkö, CEO & Director General of Swedish Radio (The Swedish Public Radio Broadcaster)

Corina Cepoi, Chief of Party, Moldova Internews. Founder of the Chisinau School of Advanced Journalism at the Independent Journalism Center (IJC)

Maria Donde, Deputy Chair of the European Platform of Regulatory Authorities (EPRA)

Moderated discussion

11.15-13.15

Session 3: Transparency of Public Authorities

Shushan Doydoyan, President and founder of the Freedom of Information Center of Armenia

Professor Dr. Katrin Nyman Metcalf, Adjunct Professor of Law and Technoloy at Tallinn University of Technology; Senior legal expert at the Estonian e-Governance Academy

Dr. Suzanne J. Piotrowski, Associate Professor in the School of Public Affairs and Administration at Rutgers University

Representative from Transparency International (tbc)

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13.15-14.15 Lunch break

14.15-16.15

Session 4: The role of the media in the democratic process, including elections

H.E. Audrey Glover, former Director of ODIHR

Armin Rabitsch, Chairperson and Election Expert at electionwatch.eu and wahlbeobachtung.org

Adam Baxter, Director of Standards and Audience Protection, Ofcom

Guiseppe Millazo, Senior Media Analyst, Osservatorio di Pavia (Media Analysis and Research)

Moderated discussion

16.30-17.30 Concluding session

Concluding remarks by:

Per Olsson Fridh, Swedish Minister for International Development Cooperation Amanda Lind, Swedish Minister for Culture and Democracy Teresa Ribeiro, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

The conference will be moderated by the Swedish journalist Ms. Helena Blomquist.



