

## Episode 15: Media Freedom

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Media freedom was the theme of discussion in the one-hour live talk show aired on 14th December 2015 on the First Channel of Radio Television Montenegro (RTCG). This was the fifteenth in the series of twenty shows named "Reaching the Trust Together", which is supported by the OSCE Mission to Montenegro.

Moderated by Andrijana Kadija, participants in the debate included Nikola Marković, Editor of daily Dan and the President of the Commission for monitoring investigations of cases of violence against journalists, assassinations and attacks on media property; Veselin Vukčević, Deputy Supreme Public Prosecutor; Veran Matić, Editor in Chief and President of the Board of Directors at the Serbian Broadcasting Company RDP "B92" and President of the Commission for Investigating Killings of Journalists in Serbia and Darko Šuković, Editor in Chief of Radio Antena M.

Panellists discussed key issues related to media sphere, with special emphasis on the work of the Commission for monitoring investigations of cases of violence against journalists, assassinations and attacks on media property and its competences. Participants discussed main problems related to journalism as a profession, including the safety of journalists, media polarization and different influences on media reporting, working conditions and journalists' social status. They all agreed that professional standards in reporting are of extreme importance and that should be further improved.

Journalist Tufik Softić gave his contribution to the discussion as well as Radomir Kračković from Media Trade Union who presented the main problems targeting journalism as a profession.

The main aim of the talk shows is to serve as a platform for dialogue and to engage various segments of society in Montenegro which will serve to enhance confidence, trust, and co-operation between the public, institutions, media, and civil society.

Next episode of the series will be aired on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2015.

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