European Conference on

MEDIA AGAINST HATE

5 – 6 March 2018, Brussels

PROGRAMME

MONDAY, 5 MARCH 2018

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:10 Welcoming speech

Mogens Blicher Bjerregård, EFJ President

9:10 – 10:00 Keynote speech

Harlem Désir, OSCE Representative on Media Freedom

Q&A

10:00 – 11:30 How to combat hate speech while preserving freedom of expression

The panel will discuss the ‘dilemma’ to counter hate speech while respecting freedom of expression. What are the legal boundaries and ethical practices? How to deal with hate speech online?

Marc de Haan, Director of Belgian regional broadcaster BX1

Katie Morris, Article 19

Clara Sommier, Google

Louisa Klingvall, European Commission DG Justice

Q & A
**Chair:** Ricardo Gutierrez, EFJ General Secretary

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 13:00 Talking with winners of MAH video contest

**Kwanza Musi Dos Santos**, Termini TV  
**Nasruddin Nizami**, Solomon  
**Urszula Doliwa**, University of Warmia and Mazury Olsztyn  
**Barbara Eppensteiner**, Okto community TV  
**Hana Hajova**, refugee stories

**Facilitator:** Nadia Bellardi, CMFE

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 When journalists become targets of hate speech

The panel will discuss the challenge facing journalists when they become target of hate speech. What’s the role of media organizations and social media in spreading hate speech.

**Alison Bethel McKenzie**, Society of Professional Journalists  
**Iva Krtačić**, WDR  
**Birgitte Jallov**, Empowerhouse

**Facilitator:** Yuk Lan Wong, EFJ

15:30 – 17:30 Working Groups + Coffee Break

Participants will be divided into groups to come up with best practices examples.

I. How do journalists cover far-right politics or extremist view?

**Marianna Karakoulaki**, Greek journalist

**Facilitator:** Milica Pesic, Media Diversity Institute

II. How to combat hate speech online? And the role of media and ICT companies?

**Sabika Shah Povia**, Carta di Roma

**Facilitator:** Camille Petit, EFJ

III. Legislative and (self) regulatory frameworks to curb hate speech
Jean-Jacques Jespers, Press Council, Belgium

Facilitator: Katie Morris, A19

17:00 – 17:30 Conclusion of Day I
19:30 Dinner (at Le Cercle des Voyageurs)

Tuesday, 6 March 2018

8:30 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 10:00 Working groups reporting back
10:00 – 11:30 What is the way forward?
   Tom Law, Ethical Journalism Network
   Chris Frost, National Union of Journalists, UK
   Hamdi Addullahi Hassan, journalist
   Ingrid Brodnig, Austrian journalist

Facilitator: Monika Valečić, Croatian Journalists’ Association
Q & A

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break
12:00 – 13:00 Conclusions and recommendations
13:00 – 14:00 : Light lunch and departure of participants

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