SAFE TO SPEAK
SECURING FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN ALL MEDIA
WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY
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Joint Message from Mr Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General and Ms Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day

3 May 2013

Freedom of expression, enshrined in Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, is essential for empowering individuals and building free and democratic societies. A fundamental right on its own, freedom of expression also provides the conditions for protecting and promoting all other human rights. But its exercise does not happen automatically; it requires a safe environment for dialogue, where all can speak freely and openly, without fear of reprisal.

Today, the twentieth anniversary of World Press Freedom Day is an opportunity to renew our commitment in challenging times.

Every day, freedom of expression faces new threats. Because they help ensure transparency and accountability in public affairs, journalists are frequent targets of violence. More than 600 journalists have been killed in the last ten years, many while reporting in non-conflict situations. A climate of impunity persists -- nine out of ten cases of killings of journalists go unpunished. Too many media workers also suffer from intimidation, threats and violence. Too many experience arbitrary detention and torture, often without legal recourse.

We must show resolve in the face of such insecurity and injustice. The theme of this year’s World Press Freedom Day, “Safe to Speak: Securing Freedom of Expression in All Media”, aims to rally international action to protect the safety of every journalist in every country and to break the vicious circle of impunity.

These goals underpin the UN Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity. The UN system is strongly committed to coordinating action, raising awareness and supporting countries in upholding international principles and developing legislation for freedom of expression and information.

Action must encompass both traditional media and the digital world, where news is increasingly produced and consumed. Bloggers, citizen reporters and social media producers, as well as their sources, face increasing threats to their safety. In addition to physical dangers, they are being targeted with psychological and emotional violence through cyber-attacks, data breaches, intimidation, undue surveillance and invasions of privacy.

Such assaults not only limit the right to freedom of expression and threaten the safety of online journalists and their sources -- they undermine the ability of all people to benefit from a free and open Internet.

On this World Press Freedom Day, we call on Governments, societies and individuals to do their utmost to protect the safety of all journalists, offline and online. Everyone has a voice; all must be able to speak freely and in safety.

Ban Ki-moon Irina Bokova
About World Press Freedom Day

Every year, 3 May is a date which celebrates the fundamental principles of press freedom; to evaluate press freedom around the world, to defend the media from attacks on their independence and to pay tribute to journalists who have lost their lives in the exercise of their profession.

3 May was proclaimed World Press Freedom Day the UN General Assembly in 1993 following a Recommendation adopted at the twenty-sixth session of UNESCO’s General Conference in 1991.

It serves as an occasion to inform citizens of violations of press freedom—a reminder that in dozens of countries around the world, publications are censored, fined, suspended and closed down, while journalists, editors and publishers are harassed, attacked, detained and even murdered.

It is a date to encourage and develop initiatives in favour of press freedom, and to assess the state of press freedom worldwide.

It serves as a reminder to governments of the need to respect their commitment to press freedom and is also a day of reflection among media professionals about issues of press freedom and professional ethics. Just as importantly, World Press Freedom Day is a day of support for media which are targets for the restraint, or abolition, of press freedom. It is also a day of remembrance for those journalists who lost their lives in the exercise of their profession.

World Press Freedom Prize

Created in 1997, the annual UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize honours a person, organization or institution that has made an outstanding contribution to the defence and/or promotion of press freedom anywhere in the world, and especially when this has been achieved in the face of danger. It was established on the initiative of UNESCO’s Executive Board and is formally conferred by the Director-General of the Organization, on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day, on 3 May.

The Prize is named in honour of Guillermo Cano Isaza, a Colombian journalist who was assassinated in front of the offices of his newspaper, El Espectador, in Bogotá, on 17 December 1986.

The murder of Guillermo Cano is significant in terms of unpunished crimes against journalists. Cano was a victim of drug trafficking mafias, whom he fearlessly denounced and about whose harmful effects on Colombian society he cautioned. On that day, two hired killers waited for him by the newspaper’s exit and fired the eight shots that killed him.

Guillermo Cano’s fate exemplifies the price paid by journalists the world over in exercising their profession; journalists are imprisoned and ill-treated every day and the fact that these crimes, for the most part, go unpunished is even more alarming.

The Prize is supported by the Guillermo Cano Isaza Foundation, the Luis Carlos Sarmiento Angulo Foundation, and the Helsingin Sanomat Foundation.

UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize 2013

Imprisoned Ethiopian journalist Reeyot Alemu is the winner of the 2013 UNESCO-Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize. Ms Alemu was recommended by an independent international jury of media professionals in recognition of her “exceptional courage, resistance and commitment to freedom of expression”.

The Jury took note of Reeyot Alemu’s contribution to numerous and independent publications. She wrote critically about political and social issues, focusing on the root causes of poverty, and gender equality. She worked for several independent media. In 2010 she founded her own publishing house and a monthly magazine called Change, both of which were subsequently closed. In June 2011, while working as a regular columnist for Feteh, a national weekly newspaper, Ms Alemu was arrested. She is currently serving a five year sentence in Kality prison.
## World Press Freedom Day 2013 at a Glance

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Organizer: IMS, OSI and UNESCO  
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Organizer: UNESCO  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
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Organizer: DCMF  
Venue: Cocori Room 4  
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Organizer: Access/BWN  
Venue: Maracas Room  
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Organizer: INSI  
Venue: Curime Room |
| 17:15-17:30   | Refreshments break                                                    |
| 17:30-19:00   | **Special Plenary Session:** State of Freedom of Expression and Challenges Faced in Costa Rica  
Venue: Cocori Room 1 |
| 20:00         | Welcome Reception by the Presidency of Costa Rica (by invitation only) |
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Organizer: ARTICLE 19  
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| 9:00-10:30    | UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize Ceremony  
Venue: Cocori Room 1 |
| 10:30-11:00   | Refreshments break                                                    |
| 11:00-12:30   | **Plenary Session 2:** Addressing the Issue of Impunity  
Organizer: IAPA  
Venue: Cocori Room 1 |
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| 14:00-16:00   | **Parallel Session 3:** Good Practices on Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity  
Organizer: CPJ  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
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Organizer: Internews  
Venue: Cocori Room 4  
**Parallel Session 5:** Judicial Perspective: Fighting Impunity with Legal, Judicial & Regional Organizations  
Organizer: UIA  
Venue: Maracas Room  
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Organizer: IREX  
Venue: Maracas Room  
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Organizers: IFJ  
Venue: Curime Room |
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Organizer: UNESCO  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
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Organizer: Freedom Online Coalition  
Venue: Cocori Room 1 |
| 10:30-11:00   | Refreshments break                                                    |
| 11:00-12:30   | **Parallel Session 8:** Media Pluralism, Ownership & Advertising  
Organizer: DW Akademie and AIR-IAB  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
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Organizer: ARTICLE 19  
Venue: Cocori Room 4  
**Parallel Session 10:** Prime Time for Ethics: Rights & Responsibilities in the New Age of Media  
Organizer: EJN |
| 12:30-13:00   | Closing Session & Adoption of San José Declaration  
Venue: Cocori Room 1 |
| 13:00-14:30   | Lunch                                                                 |
| 15:00-18:00   | **Side Event:** Towards “Knowledge-Driven” Media Development  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
**Side Event:** Working Group on developing UNESCO indicators for the safety of journalists  
Venue: Cocori Room 4  
**Side Event:** Strategy discussion for combating impunity, CPJ  
Venue: Maracas Room |
## World Press Freedom Day 2013

**Safe to Speak: Securing Freedom of Expression in All Media**

**Conference Programme**

2-4 May 2013
San Jose, Costa Rica

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<td>Description: Press freedom demands a free, independent and pluralistic media environment for both online and offline platforms in which journalists, media workers and social media producers can work safely and independently without fear. Yet journalists around the world are frequently intimidated, threatened, harassed, attacked, abducted, arbitrarily imprisoned and even killed. Latin America has not been exempt from such scourges. More than 600 journalists and media workers have been killed in the last ten years, most in non-conflict areas. The UN Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity, endorsed by the UN Chief Executives Board in April 2012, aims to help change this by mobilizing the UN family of agencies, as well as other stakeholders including UN Member States, regional human rights bodies, and NGOs and media houses, to collaborate in creating a safer environment for journalists. This session will provide insights into how safety is fundamental to press freedom and freedom of expression, and how World Press Freedom Day can advance safety in general and the UN Plan of Action in particular.</td>
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| 14:00-15:30  | **Special session on lessons being learned and regional issues for the UN Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity**  
**Sharing Experiences: Nepal, Pakistan, Colombia and Mexico**  
Organizers: International Media Support (IMS), Open Society Institute (OSI) and UNESCO  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
**Description:** UNESCO has spearheaded the UN Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity, which was endorsed by the UN Chief Executives Board in April 2012. The goal of the UN Plan of Action is to create an environment in which journalists can practice their craft safely, and if a crime against journalist because of their professional work does happen, it is investigated swiftly and the perpetrator brought to justice. The UN Plan of Action is conceived on the basis that the issue of safety of journalists and that of impunity is too complex to be able to be solved by any one organization. Therefore, it is built on a multi-stakeholder approach involving the various UN agencies, Member States, civil society groups, media houses, and academia. This session presents some of the good practices and lessons learned in the implementation of the plan, as well as challenges ahead drawing from experiences of the first-phase countries.  
**Moderator:** Ms Sylvie COUDRAY, Chief, Section for Freedom of Expression, UNESCO  
**Roundtable discussion:**  
Mr Shiva GUANLE, President, Federation of Nepali Journalists (FNJ), Nepal  
Mr Martin LANDI, Director, Conflict and Emergency Response, International Media Support (IMS), Denmark  
Mr Adnan REHMAT, Executive Director, Intermedia Pakistan, Pakistan  
Ms Phyza JAMEEL, National Programme Officer, UNESCO Office in Islamabad, Pakistan  
Mr Andrés MORALES, Executive Director, La Fundación para la Libertad de Prensa (FLIP), Colombia |
| 15:30-15:45  | Refreshments break                                                   |
| 15:45-17:15  | **Parallel Session 1**  
**Safety of Journalists in Covering Drugs and Criminal Activities**  
Organizer: UNESCO  
Venue: Cocori Room 1  
**Description:** Violence against journalists has risen dramatically in recent years. Last year, UNESCO condemned the killings of 121 journalists, making 2012 the deadliest year for the media. In most cases, murdered journalists were not reporting in armed conflict situations, but on local stories in their hometowns, particularly related to illegal activities such as drug trafficking and corruption. The media can play an important role in crime prevention, and it is critical that reporting on these subjects be protected. The UN Office on Drugs and Crime within the UN Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity can also make a difference. This session will explore the specific risks associated with reporting on drugs and other criminal activities, with testimonials of journalists from across Latin America, and will conclude with recommendations for improving safety in this area.  
**Moderator:** Ms Rubí BLANCAS, National Programme Officer, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Mexico  
**Panellists:**  
Mr Héctor L. BECERRA, Executive Director, Comité por la Libre Expresión (C-Libre), Honduras  
Mr Ricardo CORREDOR, Nuevo Periodismo Iberoamericano (FNPI), Colombia  
Ms Rachel PULFER, Executive Director, Journalists for Human Rights, Canada  
Ms Laura PUERTAS MEYER, Journalist, Telemetro, Panama  
**Key Questions:**  
- What are the specific challenges of investigating crimes against press freedom when non-state actors, including drug cartels and criminal enterprises, commit them?  
- What measures can journalists take to protect themselves when covering sensitive and illegal activities? |
Parallel Session 2

*Raising Public Awareness on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity*

**Organizer:** Doha Center for Media Freedom  
**Venue:** Cocori Room 4

**Description:** Raising public awareness on the issues of safety of journalists and impunity is a crucial aspect of advocacy. Many campaigns exist with the objective of raising public awareness on these issues, including IFEX’s International Day to End Impunity Campaign and CPJ’s Global Campaign Against Impunity. Effective public awareness campaigns depend on analysis of effective methods, targeting the audience, interactive dialogue (and use of social media) and reaching out to more than the “usual suspects”. The session will discuss how to strengthen awareness-raising and make related suggestions for implementation of the UN Plan of Action.

**Moderator:** Ms Deborah SEWARD, Director, Strategic Communications Department, UN Department of Public Information

**Panellists:**
- Mr Alejandro DELGADO FAITH, President of the Institute of Press and Freedom of Expression (IPLEX), Costa Rica
- Ms Heather ORRANGE, Campaigns and Advocacy Specialist, IFEX, Canada
- Ms Habiba EL MEJRI-CHEIKH, Director of Information and Communication, African Union Commission
- Mr Kaius NIEMI, Editor-in-Chief, Ilta-Sanomat, and Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Helsingin Sanomat Foundation

**Key Questions:**
- How does the International Day to End Impunity campaign raise public awareness about impunity, and prompt public action?
- How can a campaign get more leverage to maximize its effect?
- How can the media community itself play a greater role in raising awareness?
- How can information be effectively transmitted to the general public as opposed to the “expert” audience, such as policy makers?
- What are the inherent challenges to raising public awareness globally and locally? How can a universal idea be brought into the local context? How can local problems be brought to international attention?
- What are some good practices and lesson learned from the various public awareness campaigns?

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**Parallel Event**

**Workshop A**

*Safer Email: Protecting Yourself and Your Sources*

**Organizer:** Access/BWN  
**Venue:** Maracas Room

**Description:** The session will look into the different types of existing email security mechanisms, how to use email safely, encryption for emails, with facilitators guiding the participants through practical steps of installing and using these security mechanisms for email.

**Trainers:**
- Mr Gustaf BJÖRKSTEN, Trainer, Access, Tunisia
- Mr Gaston GARCIA, Trainer, BigWebNoise, Costa Rica
- Mr Allan NARANJO, Leader, Media Intelligence, BigWebNoise, Costa Rica
- Mr Carlos SOLANO, Director of Development, BigWebNoise, Costa Rica

**Workshop B**

*Safety Training: Physical & Mental Preparedness of Journalists*

**Organizers:** International News Safety Institute (INSI)  
**Venue:** Curime Room

**Description:** The session is aimed at giving you the tools, reassurance and confidence to cover assignments at home or in other challenging, difficult and often dangerous or hostile locations. We will discuss how to plan your assignments and how to assess the real threats. We will look at planning for any eventuality. Most may never happen but if they do, you will know what to do and how to do it. In addition, we plan to cover weapons-awareness and what they can and can’t do, and how to cover civil unrest and demonstrations safely.

**Trainers:**
- Ms Hannah STORM, Director, INSI, United Kingdom
- Ms Caroline NEIL, Trainer, INSI, United Kingdom

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**Special Plenary Session:**

*State of Freedom of Expression and Challenges Faced in Costa Rica*

**Organizer:** PROLEDI, CICOM, Colper, IPLEX, and the Government of Costa Rica  
**Venue:** Cocori Room 1

**Description:** On Reporters Without Borders’ 2013 map on freedom of expression in the world, Costa Rica is blank, which means that freedom of expression in the country is fairly good. Nevertheless, “crimes against honour” are still a criminal offence. For the time being, there has been no persecution and murder of journalists for reporting on organized crime or drug trafficking or majors attacks against press freedom. The country has also achieved, through the establishment of the Constitutional Court, a number of provisions that have enabled progress on issues such as on the anonymous source of the journalists, and of access to public information by establishing a procedure for the prompt attention and resolution of cases where public officials have refused to provide information of interest to citizens. The Constitutional Court has become the guarantor of these fundamental rights. However, challenges to advance and expand what has been so far gained so far in the country remain. Discussing the current situation and the way forward to improve democracy in Costa Rica is the ultimate goal of this panel.
Moderator: Ms Dana ZIYASHEVA, Adviser for Communication and Information, UNESCO Cluster Office for Central America and Mexico

Panellists:
Mr Mauricio HERRERA ULLOA, Director, Semanario Universidad, Costa Rica
Ms Patricia GONZÁLEZ VILLALOBOS, Press Consultant in Political Communication, Presidenta PG Consultores, Costa Rica
Mr Randall RIVERA VARGAS, Director, Noticias Reloj y Noticias Monumental, Costa Rica
Mr José Rodolfo IBARRA, President, Colegio de Periodistas, Costa Rica

Key Questions:
• Is there a need for a law on access to information? Is the Digital Government and Constitutional Jurisdiction Act a sufficient mechanism, especially taking into consideration of the country’s context?
• How do we move to decriminalize defamation or crimes against honour? What is the status of the regulation of the right of petition? Is self-censorship an issue in the country?
• Is it possible for organized crime and drug trafficking to threaten professional practice today? What steps should be taken now? Is the national press ready? What other dangers face the Costa Rican press?
• To what extent is professional quality training available in the country? What kind of new training is needed to address risks in professional practice and dangers?
• Are there sufficient organizations and civil society which support and defend freedom of expression and press?

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Venue: Curime Room

9:00-10:30 UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize Award Ceremony
Venue: Cocori Room 1

10:30-11:00 Refreshments break

11:00-12:30 Plenary Session 2
Addressing the Issue of Impunity
Organizer: Inter American Press Association (IAPA)
Venue: Cocori Room 1

Description: In recent years, an average of only one in ten cases of crimes against journalists, media workers and social media producers has led to a conviction of the perpetrators. This level of impunity not only flouts the rule of law; it sends a signal to the wider public to keep quiet about corruption, environmental damage and human rights violations. The result is self-censorship across society and an erosion of public faith in the judicial system. The underlying causes of impunity in crimes against journalists cannot be traced to a single source, but rather must be analysed in terms of the chain of actors involved in judicial proceedings, ranging from political will of the executive and the legislature, through to the legal framework, the institutional design of protective, investigative and prosecution agencies, and the backlog of courts. This session will address the state of impunity globally and the actions taken by governments and organizations to reduce it.

Moderator: Mr Roberto ROCK, Editor, El Universal, Mexico

Keynote Speech: Mr Joaquim BARBOSA, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Brazil

Panellists:
Mr Crispin MASLOG, Senior Consultant, Asian Institute of Journalism and Communication, Philippines
Mr Juan Ramón MAIRENA, President, Colegio de Periodistas de Honduras
Mr Guido RODRÍGUEZ, Media Director, TVN Channel 2, Panama

Key Questions:
• How does impunity for killers of journalists relate to murders of other human rights defenders, and violence more broadly?
• What is the extent of impunity as regards violence against journalism in your country, and what are the causes and consequences?
• What is the state of impunity globally?
• What is the best way to address the problem and to strengthen the rule of law?
• How can research into the extent, visibility and consequences of impunity be improved?
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**Organizer:** Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ)  
**Venue:** Cocori Room 1  
**Description:** This session aims to share good practices related to the protection of journalists, the prevention of attacks and the fight against impunity. Panellists will discuss examples of successful efforts and identify key elements that could be replicated in other contexts. Such good practices include training, awareness-raising and enhanced cooperation at the international, regional and national levels. The discussion will contribute to a report on good practices for enhancing journalists’ safety to be presented to the 24th session of the UN Human Rights Council, as well as a UNESCO resource on the subject. It will also make suggestions for strengthening the implementation of the UN Plan in this respect.  
**Moderator:** Ms Gypsy GUILLÉN KAISER, Communication & Advocacy Director, Committee to Project Journalists (CPJ), United States of America  
**Panellists:**  
Mr Javier HERNANDEZ, Representative, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), Mexico Office  
Mr Frank SMYTH, Executive Director, Global Journalist Security, United States of America  
Ms Prima Jesusa QUINSAYAS, Legal Counsel, Freedom Fund for Filipino Journalists (FFJ), The Philippines  
Mr Marcelo MOREIRA, President, Brazilian Association of Investigative Journalism (ABRAJI), Brazil  
Mr Colin PEREIRA, Head of Safety & Security, ITN, United Kingdom  
**Key Questions:**  
- What good practices to enhance journalists’ safety and fight impunity have proven effective?  
- Could these methods be replicated elsewhere?  
- What role can governments, international organizations, civil society, the media and other private sector actors play in ensuring journalists’ safety and combating impunity?  
- How can the implementation of the UN Plan be enhanced in this dimension? |
|              | Parallel Session 4                                 |                                | Cocori Room 4       | **Internet Freedom**  
**Organizer:** Internews  
**Venue:** Cocori Room 4  
**Description:** The United Nation Human Rights Council has affirmed that the same rights that people have offline must also be protected online, in particular freedom of expression. At the same time as the Internet has given unprecedented access to information and knowledge, it is increasingly threatened by censorship in the form of blocking, filtering, disconnection and content removal. This session will explore the principles of Internet freedom and how freedom of expression relates to other aspects of the Internet ecology such as access, openness, innovation and privacy.  
**Moderator:** Ms Kathleen REEN, Vice President for ICT Programs and Policy, Internews, United States of America  
**Panellists:**  
Mr Rosental Calmon ALVES, Professor, School of Journalism, University of Texas, United States of America  
Mr Guy BERGER, Director, Division of Freedom of Expression and Media Development, UNESCO  
Mr Moez CHAKCHOUK, Chairman and CEO, Tunisian Internet Agency (ATI), Tunisia  
Mr Nicolas SEIDLER, Policy Analyst, Internet Society, Switzerland  
Mr José Luis BENITEZ, Chair, Communications Department, Universidad Centroamericana (UCA), El Salvador  
**Key Questions:**  
- In what ways is freedom of expression the kernel of Internet freedom or just one pillar amongst many?  
- What major challenges face Internet freedom, and what impact do they have on online free speech and the right to information? How can these challenges be addressed?  
- How can Internet freedom and its multi-stakeholder basis be reinforced?  
- Can a set of universal principles for Internet freedom be developed?  
- What scope is there for elaborating an understanding of Internet universality? |
|              | Parallel Session 5                                 |                                | Maracas Room        | **Judicial Perspective: Fighting Impunity with Legal, Judicial and Regional Organizations**  
**Organizer:** Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA)  
**Venue:** Maracas Room  
**Description:** Freedom of expression and opinion are guaranteed by Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Convention on Political and Civil Rights. Resolutions on Impunity, including the UN Commission on Human Rights Resolution 2005/81, call on all States to end impunity and to prosecute or extradite all those responsible for violations of human rights “in order to bring them to justice, promote accountability, respect for international law and justice for the victims, deter the commission of such crimes and fulfil the responsibility of States to protect all persons from such crimes”. Yet in crimes committed against journalists and media workers, nine out of ten cases go unpunished. This session will discuss the on-going work of legal and judicial partners, and regional bodies, to fight impunity, and how their work could dovetail with the UN Plan of Action. |
Moderator: Mr Álvaro Pérez, Communications Consultant, Uruguay

A roundtable discussion with:
Ms Catalina Botero, Special Rapporteur for Freedom of Expression, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
Mr Márcio Chaer, Director, Consultor Jurídico, Brazil
Mr William Horsley, International Director, Centre for Freedom of the Media (CFOM), United Kingdom
Mr Juan Ramón Navarrete Monasterio, Regional Director, Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos
Mr Pablo Savedra, Secretary, Inter-American Human Rights Court

Key Questions:
• What legal mechanisms can be used to challenge violence against journalists?
• Is the legal justice chain adequately designed and equipped to handle crimes against freedom of expression?
• How can law-centred stakeholders be engaged in regard to the UN Plan of Action?

15:30-16:00 Refreshments break

16:00-17:30 Parallel Session 6
Gender Relations and Safety of Women Journalists
Organizer: UNESCO
Venue: Cocori Room 1

Description: Women and men journalists alike face difficult challenges in their work: prosecution, arrest, imprisonment, denial of journalistic access, and failures to investigate and prosecute crimes against them. In carrying out their professional duties, women in particular often risk sexual assault, whether in the form of targeted sexual violence in retaliation for their work; mob-related sexual violence aimed against journalists covering public events; or sexual abuse in detention or captivity. Furthermore, many of these crimes are not reported as a result of powerful cultural and professional stigmas. Although this phenomenon has been widely recognized, little data has been collected on the circumstances and types of attacks. This session will give voice to victims of such attacks and will present the preliminary findings of a UNESCO/INSI study on the safety of women journalists.

Moderator: Ms Oisika Chakrabarti, Senior Communications Officer, UN Women
Panellists:
Ms Alana Barton, Program Manager, International Women's Media Foundation, United States of America
Mr Anthony Feinstein, Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto, Canada
Ms Yunuhuen Rangel Medina, Coordinator, Comunicación e Información de la Mujer, AC (CIMAC), Mexico
Ms Hannah Storm, Director, International News Safety Institute (INSI), United Kingdom
Ms Yeama Thompson, Senior Trainer, Journalists for Human Rights (JHR), Sierra Leone

Key Questions:
• What is the impact of attacks on personal relationships?
• What unique threats face women journalists?
• Can patterns of abuse be identified, according to geography, circumstances or other factors?
• What gender-specific recommendations can be given to women journalists to enhance their security?
• How can the UN Plan of Action be enhanced in terms of gender sensitivity implementation?

Parallel Session 7
The Role of Intermediary Organizations in Protecting Freedom of Expression Online
Organizer: Internet Society (ISOC)
Venue: Cocori Room 4

Description: Internet intermediaries - including search engines, Internet Service Providers, social networks and online media houses - play an increasingly central role as gatekeepers and conveyors of content between Internet users. They also face an increasing number of requests by governments to limit content deemed illegal or harmful. Law enforcement authorities and others want them to share user data, thereby compromising the right to privacy (and anonymity), which can underpin freedom of expression. This has led some intermediaries to start developing protocols and self-regulatory mechanisms, raising in turn the question of whether official censorship is being privatized. The Special Rapporteurs' Joint Declaration on Freedom of Expression and the Internet states that intermediaries should be protected from liability for content generated by their users, and that they should follow the strict requirements established by international standards for any limitations they apply. This session will discuss how intermediaries can protect freedom of expression and will address potential best practices in this domain, both at the regional and global levels.

Moderator: Mr Carlos Raúl Gutiérrez, Chairman, SUTEL, Costa Rica
Panellists:
Ms Joana Varron-Ferraz, Researcher, Centro de Tecnologia e Sociedade (CTS/FGV), Brazil
Mr Bob Boorstijn, Director of Public Policy & Government Relations, Google, United States of America
Mr Eduardo Bertoni, Director, CELE, University of Palermo School of Law, Argentina
Ms Fabiola Carrion, Policy Counsel, Access, United States of America
Mr Carlos Roberto Fonseca, Blogger and Freelancer, Nicaragua
### Key Questions:
- What is the responsibility of Internet intermediaries in protecting the freedom of expression of their users in regards to blocking, filtering, takedowns or blacklisting?
- How do intermediaries balance competing demands of local and international standards, and between security and privacy?
- What kind of information attracts most of the controls? (e.g. user identity, hate-speech, copyright content, etc.)
- What standards do intermediaries apply when handling requests from authorities to intervene on users’ content and information? Do current practices accord with international and regional human rights standards on limitations to free speech, or do they amount to privatised censorship?
- What is the role of principles, ethics and self-regulation?
- What best practices can be adopted?
- Can intermediaries play a role in implementing the UN Plan of Action?

### Parallel Event

#### Workshop C
**Are you ready to be hacked? Securing Safety of Data & Source Material for Journalists**  
Organizers: IREX  
*(Interpretation available—limited to 25 people)*  
Venue: Maracas Room  

**Description:** With journalists’ work increasingly moving online, safety measures for controlling access to sensitive data stored on computers and on the internet become increasingly difficult. In this session, the trainers aim to take a hands-on approach, including showing real-time hacking examples, introducing tools for secure data storage and explaining what measures need to be taken to ensure the safeguarding of sensitive data in a digital working environment. Materials will be distributed in this session.

**Trainers:**  
Ms Oktavia JONSDOTTIR, Program Director, Journalist Safety Network, IREX, Iceland  
Mr Smári MCCARTHY, Executive Director, International Modern Media Institute, Iceland

17:30-18:00 Refreshments break

*19:00 Reception Sponsored by Google

### Saturday, 4 May 2013

#### Plenary Session 3
**Safety Online: Security for Journalists in the Digital Age**  
Organizer: Freedom Online Coalition  
Venue: Cocori Room 1

**Description:** As news reporting and consumption increasingly moves into the digital realm, new threats have emerged in the form of cyber-attacks, viruses, hacking and illegitimate surveillance that require journalists to better protect their electronic data and the identity of their sources. Furthermore, journalists today include not only professional reporters and editors, but media support staff, community workers or citizen journalists, who do not always enjoy the protection of media institutions. This session will further advance discussions held at the Internet Governance Forum and World Summit on the Information Society Review Event (WSIS+10) on challenges linked to guaranteeing the safety of journalists and others using digital media to produce news. It will aim to map the current state of knowledge of these issues in order identify areas of research for a forthcoming UNESCO study on the digital safety of journalists and human rights activists.

**Moderator:** Mr Michael HAMMER, Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, United States of America

**Video Message:** Ms Gunilla CARLSSON, Minister for International Development Cooperation, Sweden

**Panellists:**  
Mr Frank LA RUE, Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights  
Mr Eduardo ULIBARRI, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations  
Ms Mariclaire ACOSTA, Director, Freedom House-Mexico  
Mr Luc SHILLINGS, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the Netherlands in Costa Rica
Key Questions:
• What role can governments, international organizations, civil society, the media and other private sector actors play in ensuring journalists' digital safety?
• How can implementation of the UN Plan be enhanced as regards digital safety?
• How well do reporters understand the risks of using digital technology?
• How do these dangers or potential of digital technology differ from region to region?
• What emerging and possible new threats endanger the safety of journalists, bloggers, citizen journalists and others expressing themselves in the digital realm?
• How aware are journalists of these threats, and how do they respond?
• What are common misperceptions surrounding digital safety?

10:30-11:00 Refreshments break

11:00-12:30
Parallel Session 8
Media Pluralism, Ownership and Advertising
Organizers: DW Akademie and Asociación Internacional de Radiodifusión (AIR-IAB)
Venue: Cocori Room 1

Description: Press freedom should go hand in hand with independence and pluralism. But media ownership may mean that vested interests control editorial content and undermine professional standards and public interest ethics. This is often the case with individual wealthy owners, media moguls, oligarchs sponsoring entire media houses, official state-owned media and secret or opaque shareholdings. Another problem can be when governments co-opt their advertising funds to reward or penalize certain media coverage. This session will: assess the status quo of different approaches to finance and sustain media; analyse existing and possible problems of different models of financing, commissioning, regulating and sustaining organizations; discuss possible guiding principles for media, politics and society to create and sustain appropriate models of operating media companies.

Moderator: Mr Patrick LEUSCH, Head International Cooperation (acting), DW Akademie, Germany

Panellists:
Mr Asdrubal AGUIAR, Chairman of the Legal Committee, Inter American Press Association (IAPA), Venezuela
Mr Javier BONILLA SAUS, Chair of Political Science, Universidad ORT-Uruguay, Uruguay
Mr Luis PARDO SÁINZ, President, Asociación Internacional de Radiodifusión (AIR-IAB), Chile
Mr Alexandre Kruehl JOBIM, Vice-President for Legal Government Relations, RBS Group, Brazil
Mr José Leonel LAGUNA CABALLERO, President, Colegio de Periodistas de Nicaragua.

Key Questions:
• What is the status quo of different approaches to finance and sustain media?
• What are the existing and possible problems of different models of financing, commissioning, regulating and sustaining organizations?
• What are the possible guiding principles for media, politics and society to create and sustain appropriate models of operating media companies?

Parallel Session 9
Right to Blog: Rights of Social Media Producers in the Digital Age
Organizer: ARTICLE 19
Venue: Cocori Room 4

Description: Over the last decade, blogs and social media platforms have become an incredibly valuable source of information and opinions on any subject. Many bloggers and social media users gather information in the public interest in much the same way as traditional journalists. On the other hand, social media encompass a broad spectrum of activities, not all of which may fall within the definition of ‘journalism’. The dynamic mix of speakers will help shed light on these issues. Also, at this session, ARTICLE 19 will launch its new policy document on the subject that provides recommendations on how to address essential questions for the protection of freedom of expression online and a training module for online security for bloggers and citizen journalists.

Moderator: Ms Barbora BUKOVSKÁ, Senior Director for Law and Policy, ARTICLE 19, United Kingdom

Panellists:
Mr Ricardo GONZÁLEZ, Security and Protection Officer, ARTICLE 19 office for Mexico and Central America
Ms Rosebell KAGUMIRE, Blogger, Uganda
Mr Potkin AZARMEHR, Blogger, United Kingdom

Key Questions:
• What can security protection mechanisms for bloggers look like?
• In what circumstances can bloggers be held liable for what they say online?
• Should they be held to the same professional and ethical standards expected from a journalist?
• How can the capacity of bloggers to document and disseminate information be strengthened?
Parallel Session 10
Prime Time for Ethics: Rights and Responsibilities in the New Age of Media
Organizer: Ethical Journalism Network (EJN)
Venue: Maracas Room

Description: The Ethical Journalism Network and the Office of the UN Special Rapporteur are working together to promote more professional solidarity and action in support of ethics, good governance and self-regulation at a time when standards are under pressure at all levels in media. The complexity is intensified by conflicts between owners and governments and at a time of dramatic change in the global information landscape. The session will challenge media and journalists to take more practical steps to convert journalists’ codes and solemn declarations of support for press freedom into a working reality particularly in Latin America where many media owners are reluctant to promote credible forms of transparency, good governance and internal self-regulation.

Moderator: Mr Aidan WHITE, Executive Director, Ethical Journalism Network, United Kingdom

Panellists:
Mr Frank LA RUE, Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Ms Marisol CANO BUSQUETS, Director, Fundación Guillermo Cano Isaza, Spain
Mr Jean Paul MARTHOZ, Senior Adviser of Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) and Professor of Journalism, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium
Mr Martin ETCHEVERS, Communications Director, Clarín, Argentina

Key Questions:
• What are some of the challenges of ethical journalism, especially in the Latin America region?
• Does a focus on human rights open the door to governmental pressure? Can the rights agenda of the international community be manipulated to justify state interference?
• How do we protect and nourish pluralism or diversity of voices?
• What are some of the problems of corruption in some areas of media?

12:30-13:00 Closing Session & Adoption of Declaration
Venue: Cocori Room 1

Special Remarks: Ms Ana PINEDA, Minister of Justice and Human Rights, Honduras
Mr Francisco CHACÓN, Minister of Communication, Government of Costa Rica

Closing Remarks: Mr Jānis KĀRKLIŅŠ, Assistant Director-General for Communication and Information, UNESCO

13:00 Lunch

Side Events

16:30-18:30
Side Event: Knowledge-Driven Media Development in Latin America
Organizer: UNESCO
Venue: Cocori Room 1

Side Event: Working Group on developing UNESCO indicators for the safety of journalists
Organizer: UNESCO
Venue: Cocori Room 4

Side Event: Research, Action, Results: Strategy Discussion for Combatting Impunity
Organizer: Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ)
Venue: Maracas Room
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<th><strong>Ms Mariclaire ACOSTA</strong>, the director of Freedom House–Mexico, is an academic, activist, former public servant, and internationally recognized expert on issues related to the defense and promotion of human rights. Her previous posts include Americas’ director at the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ), special adviser to the secretary general of the Organization of American States (OAS) on civil society affairs, and deputy secretary for human rights and democracy at the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</th>
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<td><strong>Mr Asdrúbal AGUIAR</strong> is a Venezuelan lawyer and Doctor in Law. A specialist in international commerce, he is a ranking member of the Iberoamericana Scientific and Cultural Academy and an associate member of the National Academy of Moral and Political Sciences and of the National Academy of Law and Social Science of Argentina. Mr Aguilar is a professor of International Public Law and International Criminal Law, and he was an Inter-American Human Rights Court judge.</td>
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<td><strong>Mr Francisco José AGUILAR URBINA</strong> holds a Master of Laws from Harvard. He is past Chairman of the UN Human Rights Committee and Secretary of the UN Commission on Human Rights. A professor of International Law, Mr Aguilar is the former ambassador of Costa Rica to The Netherlands, ICJ, ICC, and OPCW, where he was Vice-Chair of the Executive Committee. He is a member of the Truth Commission of Honduras and adviser to organizations fighting human trafficking and environmental depletion. Mr Aguilar is a member of the Council and legal representative of the University for Peace.</td>
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<td><strong>Ms Reeyot ALEMU</strong> is an imprisoned Ethiopian journalist and winner of the 2013 UNESCO-Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize. Ms Alemu contributed to numerous independent publications, where she wrote critically about political and social issues. In 2010 she founded her own publishing house and a monthly magazine called Change, both of which were subsequently closed. In June 2011, while working as a columnist for Feteh, Ms Alemu was arrested. She is currently serving a five year sentence in Kality prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Mr Rosental Calmon ALVES</strong> is a professor at the University of Texas at Austin’s School of Journalism, where he holds the Knight Chair in International Journalism and the UNESCO Chair in Communication. He is also the founding director of the Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas. He began his academic career in the United States in 1996, after 27 years as a professional journalist, including seven years as a journalism professor in Brazil.</td>
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<td><strong>Mr Potkin AZARMEHR</strong> left Iran for the UK after the “Cultural Revolution”, which took place one year after the 1979 Islamic Revolution. Mr Potkin started blogging in 2005; his blog is in English and covers Iranian news that doesn’t make it to the mass media. In February 2009, he won the International Council for Press and Broadcasting Media Award in the “Cutting Edge New Media” category. Over the years, his blog has become an influential source on the pro-democracy secular struggle in Iran.</td>
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<td><strong>Chief Justice Joaquim BARBOSA</strong> held several positions in the Federal Public Administration of Brazil, such as member of the Federal Public Prosecution’s Office and Head of the Legal Advisory of the Ministry of Health. He served as Vice-President of the Superior Electoral Court and is currently Chief Justice of Brazil and President of the National Council of Justice. He was recently named by TIME magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in the world.</td>
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<td><strong>Ms Alana BARTON</strong> is program manager for the International Women’s Media Foundation (IWMF) based in Washington, D.C. She directs the organization’s Courage in Journalism portfolio, which includes research, communications and advocacy efforts for women journalists working under threat. Previously, she managed the IWMF’s Reporting on Women and Agriculture: Africa project in Mali, Uganda and Zambia. Ms Barton has worked as a freelance journalist and book editor. She holds two B.A.’s, in international relations and journalism, from the University of Alaska.</td>
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<td><strong>Mr Héctor L. BECERRA</strong> is journalist with experience in political analysis. He wrote as a columnist in Diario La Tribuna and El Libertador of Honduras, and he was a correspondent for the magazine Panorama Central Political Report of the Central American Institute of Political Studies (INCEP) in Guatemala City. Mr Becerra is currently the Executive Director of the Committee for Free Expression (C-Libre), a Honduran nongovernmental organization that promotes and defends freedom of expression.</td>
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Mr Monjurul Ahsan BULBUL is the Editor-in-Chief & Chief Executive Officer of Boishakhi Television. His previous experiences include working for the the Daily Sangbad, the Daily Jugantor, Ekushey Television, and ATN Bangla. Over his three decades as a journalist, Mr Bulbul has earned a number of awards and honours. He is currently the Vice Chair of the International Press Institute’s Executive Board, Member of the Bangladesh Press Council, Director of the Press Institute of Bangladesh, and a member of the Dhaka University Senate.

Ms Ana María BUSQUETS DE CANO is the Fundación Guillermo Cano Isaza. The foundation is named after her late husband Guillermo Cano Isaza, a Colombian journalist who was murdered in front his place of work, the daily El Spectador, by hit men linked to Colombia’s drug cartels. In 1997 UNESCO created an annual prize that bears his name—the UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize—which serves to honour a person or institution that has done outstanding work in defending the freedom of press.

Ms Agnès CALLAMARD is the Executive Director of ARTICLE 19, an international human rights organization that promotes and defends freedom of expression and access to information globally. She founded and led HAP International (the Humanitarian Accountability Partnership), where she oversaw field trials in Afghanistan, Cambodia and Sierra Leone and created the first international self-regulatory body for humanitarian agencies committed to strengthening accountability to disaster-affected populations.

Ms Marisol CANO BUSQUETS is a Colombian journalist, multimedia editor, and university professor and researcher with an emphasis on journalism and ethics. She holds an MA in Communications and is a doctoral candidate at the Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona. She worked as director of Magazín Dominical (El Espectador, Colombia) and Unimedios (Universidad Nacional de Colombia). Ms Cano has won the Simón Bolívar National Journalism Award three times. Ms Cano is currently director of the Guillermo Cano Isaza Foundation.

Ms Gunilla CARLSSON is the current Minister for International Development Cooperation of Sweden. She has held a number of senior posts in the Swedish Government in the areas of foreign affairs, EU affairs and education and is a former member of the European Parliament. Ms Carlsson has served as a member of the Swedish Parliament since 2002 and as First Vice Chair of the Moderate Party since 2002.

Ms Fabiola CARRIÓN is a Policy Counsel at Access, where she advances the due process rights of digital users around the world. She possesses more than nine years of experience in human rights and telecommunications advocacy. Fabiola began her legal career as a law clerk in New York’s Supreme Court and worked for other international NGOs like Just Detention International, the Center for Justice and International Law, and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

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Ms Oisika CHAKRABARTI leads media engagement and partnerships for UN Women, including for its top management and programmatic priorities at the international level. UN Women is the newest UN entity, with a mandate to advance gender equality and women’s empowerment globally. In this role, her responsibilities include: building media partnerships for diverse audiences; strategic media placement of interviews and opinion pieces by senior officials; crafting communications and multimedia products; and facilitating advocacy and outreach to international donors, civil society and the private sector.
Ms Laura CHINCHILLA MIRANDA is currently the President of the Republic of Costa Rica, where she is the first female president. A member of the National Liberation Party, she was a Vice-President in the administration of Oscar Arias from 2006 to 2008. Ms Chinchilla is an expert in justice and public security.

Mr Ricardo CORREDOR is the Executive Director of the Gabriel García Márquez New Journalism Foundation (FNPI), a Latin American non-profit organization based in Cartagena, Colombia, founded and presided by Nobel Prize winner Gabriel García Márquez. Ricardo has many years of experience working on issues related to media and journalism for development in Latin America, having worked with civil society organizations from Brazil (AVINA Foundation, ANDI News Agency for Childrens Rights), Colombia (Fundación Social) and the United States (Lutheran World Relief).

Ms Sylvie COUDRAY is Chief of UNESCO’s Section for Freedom of Expression. She ensures public awareness of press freedom as a fundamental right through organizing the World Press Freedom events and supervising the process for the UNESCO World Press Freedom Prize. She also works to promote safety programmes among journalists’ associations and strengthen independent and free media landscapes in conflict zones and countries in transition.

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Mr Anthony FEINSTEIN received his medical degree in South Africa at the University of the Witwatersrand. Thereafter he completed his training in Psychiatry at the Royal Free Hospital in London, England, before training as a neuropsychiatrist at the Institute of Neurology, Queen Square in London. His Master of Philosophy and Ph.D. Degree were obtained through the University of London, England. He is currently a Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto.

Mr Carlos Roberto FONSECA has worked in new media, multimedia production and communication for development. He is a blogger and freelancer. Mr Fonseca was Multimedia Producer at Confidencial.com.ni from March 2010 to January 2012. He worked in development agencies in Nicaragua for more than five years. He has taught Digital Journalism courses and has taught trainings on ICTs and social media, among other subjects. Mr Fonseca is co-organizer of the Blogs Festival in Nicaragua www.blogs.org.ni/festival.

Mr Gaston GARCIA is Director of Technology at BigWebNoise. He has 16 years of experience in developing and programming online platforms. After starting with HTML and Flash, he now leads BigWebNoise’s programming, using CSS, XHTML, HTML5 and JavaScript for all its projects. He has led trainings and seminars for the development teams of the major advertising agencies in the country, and for Clandestina Hub Creativo, BOSZ Digital and the Technological Institute of Costa Rica.

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Mr Shiva GUANLE is the current President of the Federation of Nepali Journalists (FNJ), an umbrella organization of around 8,000 journalists covering all forms of media -- print, radio, television and online -- in Nepal. He has been actively involved in advocacy work, as well as drafting media-related laws in Nepal ensuring freedom of press and freedom of expression. His reporting career spans over 20 years specializing in investigative reporting. He previously served as Editor of Himal Khabarpatrika magazine.

Ms Gypsy GUILLÉN KAISER is Director of Advocacy and Communications at the Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ). Prior to joining CPJ in October 2010, she led global media relations and public outreach at Transparency International in Berlin. Born in the Dominican Republic and raised in New York, she began her career as a journalist after graduating from New York University. She has worked as a reporter, translator and editor at Dow Jones Newswires and other major news organizations.

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Mr Michael HAMMER was sworn in as the United States Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs in March 2012. Previously, Mike served as Acting Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs and as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs before that. Prior to the Bureau of Public Affairs, Mike served at the White House as special assistant to the President, Senior Director for Press and Communications, and National Security Council Spokesman from January 2009 to January 2011.

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