



Newsletter June 2023

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CONFERENCE IN OCTOBER***

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **18-20 October 2023:** EJTA AGM, Vienna
 - **17-21 April 2024:** International Journalism Festival, Perugia
 - **8-10 May 2024:** EJTA Teachers' Conference, Porto
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SUMMER

"In the summertime, when the weather is high

You can stretch right up and touch the sky"

Mungo Jerry

(for obvious reasons, we do not cite this song's next line)

With this June 2023 Newsletter the EJTA Board and Director are looking back at a very constructive, animated and creative academic year for our thriving

association.

We wish you all beautiful summer weeks, blue skies, clear seas, high mountains, swinging travelroads, enthusiastic friends and family with bright holiday plans and many hours of well-deserved laziness.



EJTA AGM and TEACHERS' CONFERENCE 2023 IN VIENNA: REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Vienna welcomes all EJTA members to the EJTA AGM and conference 'Digital Storytelling – next steps'. The conference will start with a keynote about artificial intelligence literacy by Katharina Schell, deputy editor in chief with the Austrian Press Agency (APA) and will present best practice examples from various Austrian media outlets on how digital storytelling works.

On the EJTA website and on <https://ejta2023.at/> you can find the full programme of the premeetings (18/10), the Annual General Meeting (19/10) and the conference (20/10).

Registration is open and awaiting for you! **Deadline to register: 30 September 2023.**

PRE-CONFERENCE MEETINGS in Vienna

Traditionally, we organise pre-conference meetings on the day before the EJTA conference.

On Wednesday 18 October, you're very welcome to join one of these premeetings:

- **How to Teach Inclusive Journalism:** Follow-up on the Liverpool meeting, discussion about inclusive journalism competences and templates for different formats.
- **Taskforce Datajournalism and AI Teaching:** Follow-up on previous meetings, discussion on teaching materials.
- **Thinktank Sustainable EJTA:** Follow-up on the Liverpool meeting with concrete suggestions to make EJTA more sustainable.
- **Lifelong Learning:** Meeting to discuss different models and possibilities of lifelong learning, in LLL centres and journalism schools.
- **EUfactcheck:** Cf. info and state of affairs underneath.

The meetings are planned in two timeslots, so every conference guest can at least follow two premeetings. Check the conference website for more details.

EUFACTCHECK

Our spring 2023 publication season is running to an end. The general topic was 'energy' but it turned out quite difficult for students to find enough claims to check and most of them chose other topics, but all very relevant and current ones, such as climate change, environment, Russia and of course ChatGPT. There are also nice examples of cross-national cooperation. Check out the Stuttgart-Zagreb check here: <https://eufactcheck.eu/factcheck/mostly-true-wages-grew-more-than-prices-in-countries-that-introduced-the-euro/>

After summer we will not run an autumn publication season but start our preparations for the spring season in which we will factcheck the EU elections. We will do this in cross-national collaboration, preferable organized in 'regional hubs'. But that is as far as the ideas are at the moment.

Please come to Vienna in October to contribute to the design and set-up of our

special EU elections season.

EJTA TEACHERS' CONFERENCE PORTO

Careful! The dates for the Porto Conference have changed to **8-10 May 2024**.

The conference venue and theme will be presented in Vienna.

WORLD JOURNALISM EDUCATION COUNCIL

A WJEC meeting is taking place in **Lyon (France)** on **July 8th** and EJTA President Eric Nahon will attend the meeting. On the agenda: the election of the new WJEC chairperson, elections of the WJEC steering committee and some modifications of the statutes. After her last mandate, Verica Rupar (NZ) is not in position to be re-elected. For the moment, there is one applicant: Dr Margareth Hughes, from AWS (West Scotland University). She's the current chair of the Association For Journalism Education (AJE UK).

FEJS

The Forum for European Journalism Students had their successful Annual Conference in Ljubljana in April with the theme "Fearless Press". FEJS is working to have new board elected soon. FEJS representatives will take part in EJTA's Vienna Conference in October and all EJTA members will then be able to help to renew collaboration between the two organisations.

EJTA member schools can reach FEJS activists through EJTA Board member Anne Leppäjärvi: Anne.Leppajarvi@haaga-helia.fi

EJTA LINKEDIN GROUP

In order to continue our discussions and share information on our schools,

projects, lectures or must- read articles, we propose you to join an EJTA group on LinkedIn. This “members only” club is to promote our thoughts on journalism education. You can invite members of your team of course.

Please join here : <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12766168/>

A LinkedIn Page will be launched in Vienna during the AGM.

EJTALKs

Obviously, we'll continue these successful online meetings in academic year 2023-2024. The EJTA Board has several ideas (journalism education in Ukraine anno 2023 / follow-up on previous conference themes / how to teach health journalism / how to teach climate journalism / ...) and received an interesting proposal from Arena (to talk about the Crossborder Journalism Campus).

We're not setting a date for autumn 2023 yet (the moment is clear, though: a Friday between 12.00 and 13.00 CET) and hope some of our members will volunteer to organise an EJTALK soon, on a topic they think is important or on one of the proposed topics.

We certainly feel we need to keep the pedagogical discussions going, so we count on your input.

Do contact us: director@ejta.eu.

COPE

EJTA appreciates all the work and the input of this important project on creating a MOOC to study the European Cohesion Policy. Because the conditions for EJTA's participation in the consortium have changed we feel the project won't benefit anymore from EJTA's active role as it is now and from 1 September 2023 onwards EJTA refers some of its tasks back to the project consortium.

We will continue to fully support the project as a disseminator and silent

partner.

NEW PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES: INTERESTING FOR EJTA MEMBERS

European Press Future

The European Press Prize brings together, every year, a new group of talented journalists whose work was shortlisted for its yearly Awards. More than 10 years after its creation, the Prize now counts on a community of hundreds of Laureates. With all the knowledge and expertise to be found in this community, the European Press Prize has started organising guest lectures by its Laureates in journalism schools and universities, in a project that took the name of “European Press Future”. The aim is to bring excellent journalists right where this profession needs to be, to shape its own future: schools.

If you're interested, please contact the EPP Communications Officer: Federica Testi federica@europeanpressprize.com

European Festival of Journalism and Media Information Literacy

The EJTA Board decided to support and facilitate an EC pilot project ‘European Festival of Journalism and Media Information Literacy’. The project's overall objective is to reinforce dialogue and cooperation among journalists, media organisations, civil society, media literacy professionals and teachers, ICT industry, policy-makers and academia on key topics for journalism and informed citizenship in the EU. The project gives special attention to groups whose access to such fora is aggravated due to a lack of resources, in particular young journalists, journalism students and media literacy teachers. More details will be enclosed in a future Newsletter and on the EJTA AGM.

Future project for LLL centres in Europe

The EJTA Board has been asked to cooperate in a project to compare and share good practices in the field of continuous training for professional journalists. We're convinced our members that are involved in life-long learning curricula will benefit greatly from this. More info and news during the AGM.

FUTURE EJTA CONFERENCES

- **AGM 2023:** 18-20 October 2023 in Vienna
- **Teachers' Conference 2024:** 17-19 April 2024 in Porto
- **AGM 2024:** mid-October 2024 in Cluj
- **Teachers' Conference 2025:** TBD
- **AGM 2025:** mid-October 2025 in Utrecht

Members that are eager to organise an EJTA Conference in the future, please communicate this to director@ejta.eu



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