

Newsletter March 2018

Register here for the EJTA AGM and Conference 17 - 18 May 2018 in Barcelona

1. AGM and Conference 2018, Barcelona

Our 2018 Annual General meeting (AGM) and Conference will be held on 17 & 18 May in Barcelona. We will meet at the Universitat Pompeu Fabra, **Poblenou Campus**, Roc Boronat 138.

The Agenda for the AGM and the Programme for the Conference can be found <u>here</u>.

The website for registration is open; please register here.



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2. Research project: Journalistic Roles, Values and Qualifications

Over 1000 teachers from 28 countries have finished the online questionnaire (N=1019), which is an excellent response. We would like to thank everyone for responding and the contact persons for making this happen. At the AGM and the Conference in Barcelona the main results will be presented. After that specific outcomes will be analysed in articles and papers. The final report will be presented at the World Journalism Education Congress in Paris in July next year. At that time the dataset will be made available for all members through open access.

3. Fact-checking project EUcheck

Both EUcheck members and taskforce have been working hard during the last months.

The taskforce is setting up guidelines and a platform, and an EACEA / Europe for Citizens application was submitted for EU funding next to alternative bids for private funding.

Participating members have been organising fact-checking projects with their students, some of them in relation to national and regional elections, thus preparing for the major step in the EUcheck project: the EU elections in 2019. On top of that, all participating schools filled in a questionnaire on methodology and process and answered questions on the future of our platform.

These items and best practices will be discussed in Barcelona the day **before the EJTA AGM: Wednesday 16 May at 2 pm**. An invitation follows soon.

4. Forum for European Journalism students

The new FEJS executive board and secretariat had a meeting in Berlin on 16 – 18 March to discuss their long term goals and future strategy. Two FEJS students will be selected to come to the EJTA AGM in Barcelona and they'll make a short presentation there.

The next FEJS Annual Conference is in Krakow from 19 April until 23 April. Quite some EJTA schools are sending students.

5. News from the secretariat

Invoices

Some invoices for current members are still outstanding, reminders will be going out to you if this is the case with your institution.

Mobility catalogue

In Munich it was decided to change the nature of the EJTA Mobility Catalogue. It appeared to be very difficult for the Secretariat to get updated information from the members about their international courses each year. Therefore is was decided to put another kind of information in the Mobility Catalogue: the web addresses where information about journalism and international courses can be found. In January 2018 the secretariat approached all EJTA members to give them the precise links to that information.

The new mobility catalogue is available <u>online</u>.

New members

There is a healthy interest in becoming member of the EJTA and we look forward to several presentations from our applicants at the AGM.

6. AMI Grants

The <u>Advanced Media Institute</u> (AMI, Cyprus) is offering EJTA members the opportunity to apply for one of its research project grants. All members of EJTA Recognised institutions are eligible, whether educators, trainers, journalists or academics.

The AMI is seeking proposals for innovative academic research or applied research projects in the fields of Modern Communications and New Journalism, for evaluation and funding in 2018. The award would for an amount within the total available of five thousand euro (5,000€). Please submit a 300-word abstract and a detailed description not exceeding 2,500 words, through the AMI website by **30 March 2018**.

All proposals will be evaluated by the AMI Scientific Council, through a doubleblind peer review process, and the successful applicant will be announced at the EJTA AGM in Barcelona in May. In the event that the successful funded project is completed before September, you may like to consider presenting at the International Conference. Further information: https://www.facebook.com/amiretreat2018/?fref=mentions

7. Upcoming Events

EJTA Conferences

- EJTA AGM and Annual Conference Barcelona, 17 - 18 May 2018
- EJTA Teacher's Conference Thessaloniki, 18-19 October 2018

Events from member institutions and other organisations

- International Journalism Festival 2018
 Perugia, 11-15 April 2018
- FEJS Annual Conference Krakow, 19-23 April 2018
- European Investigative Journalism Conference and Data Harvest 2018

Mechelen, 24-27 May 2018



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