



NEWSLETTER MARCH 2023 – EJTA ASSOCIATIONAL MATTERS

PLEASE SEND THE EJTA NEWSLETTERS TO YOUR COLLEAGUES

With this Newsletter we want to inform you about EJTA news and information that is not related to upcoming events. The events' update was sent to you previously in a separate Newsletter.

EJTA OFFICE: fees 2023

The EJTA fees 2023 were sent out in the beginning of December '22, but some institutions didn't react. A reminder has now been sent with deadline 15 April. Please make sure you check with your administration whether they've received and paid the invoice, in order to avoid red cheeks of shame in Liverpool or ending up on our black list.

NEW MEMBERS 2023

We're happy to announce that Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University from Georgia wishes to become a new EJTA member in 2023. After a succesful

recognition visit, we propose the colleagues from Batumi to join EJTA and we'll officially vote about their membership in Vienna in October 2023.

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 created soon.

#EJTAik9: Green Travel Policy: Report

On 17 February a group of about 15 EJTA colleagues from EJTA member schools joined for a conversation about Green Travel Policy, with inspiring input by Carien Touwen (HU, Netherlands) and Jamie Smith (Tours, France). It soon became clear that the discussion is not just about travelling green but also about greening our education and our conferences. We expect that it will not lead to restrictive legislation soon but climate policies are put in place in many universities.

We, at EJTA, however agree that there is more than just the environment to consider. We are an organisation that strives to connect all journalism teachers and trainers throughout Europe and give everybody equal opportunity to connect and participate. Meeting each other in person is vital. How we can merge all these important considerations into a model for a 'Sustainable EJTA' is up for further conversation, which we will follow each time we meet at EJTA events and online via LinkedIn.

List of useful links:

Jamie's train trip to

Aarhus: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bCexeu9s6D0> and

blog: <https://www.seat61.com/>

Erasmus goes green: <https://www.greenerasmus.org/>

Green travel calculator University of

Utrecht: <https://www.uu.nl/en/organisation/green-office-utrecht-university/themes/mobility/sustainable-travel>

Sustainable Teaching: <https://sites.google.com/view/iepod/home>

We are Albert: <https://wearealbert.org/2019/12/06/environmental-policy/>

EUfactcheck

The EUfactcheck project will soon start its Spring season. You can sign up for participation by sending an email to carien.touwen@hu.nl.

Next year will be a new year for EUfactcheck. We will stop running two seasons per year and cover the EU elections in May 2024, in cross-national teams. So there is no EUfactcheck meeting in Liverpool but a bootcamp kick-off in Vienna!

COPE

Within the EC-project COPE ("Covering Cohesion Policy in Europe - Training MOOC for European Journalism Students") EJTA co-coordinates the input of 27 European Journalism schools and provides a module on factchecking. The project had its kick-off meeting in Dortmund, January '23. (More info: [EJTA website / projects](#).)

By providing all participants with the same teaching materials for covering the EU cohesion policy, the project aims to train expert journalists across regions in all countries.

A plenary presentation of the MOOC zero platform (in the English language version) will be planned at the EJTA AGM in Vienna.

EJTA members that committed to be active COPE regional partners, will be contacted by the project management of Dortmund Technical University soon.

INTERESTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EJTA MEMBERS TO COOPERATE: MEDIA DIVERSITY INSTITUTE

The **Media Diversity Institute (MDI)** is a London-based international non-profit organisation which unlocks the power of media to reduce conflict, advance human rights and support deeper public understanding of social diversity. MDI works with media decision-makers, journalists, media academics and students as well as with CSOs advocating for inclusion and representing at-risk, vulnerable and marginalized groups. MDI has been running many multi-national, multi-annual programmes and one of MDI flag educational programmes is **MA Course in Diversity and the Media** jointly developed and run by the MDI and **University of Westminster**.

MDI would like to share with EJTA members its Inclusive Journalism concept or its podcasts on the practicing of Deliberative Journalism like in case of **Colorado** or **Norway**. MDI can offer expert speakers or full panels, online and offline, on some of the key issues in contemporary journalism such as: ***Mainstream Journalism: to reform, revolutionise or die? Trust in media*** – Inclusive Media and deliberative communication as ways to improve trust and engage audiences? ***Fighting hate speech, fake news and misinformation*** – how can media practitioners utilize deliberative communications to combat hate speech and misinformation? ***Media freedom*** - How is media freedom in the EU impacting on creativity and the inclusion of different voices?

MDI can fully cover the cost of its contribution to EJTA members events.

If you're interested, please contact the MDI Executive Director: Milica Pestic milica.pestic@media-diversity.org

INTERESTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EJTA MEMBERS TO COOPERATE: EUROPEAN PRESS PRIZE

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



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