

NEWSLETTER MAY 2024

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UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES

30 May - 2 June 2024 Dataharvest Conference, Mechelen, Belgium

13 September 2024 12 am CET: #EJTAlk13

16 - 18 October 2024 EJTA AGM 2024 & Concerence, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

TEACHERS' TRAINING IN PORTO



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Everybody who was present will confirm that the Teachers' Training in Porto on 8-10 May 2024 was a great experience: the programme on 'How to Teach Building Trust in News' was filled with interesting panels and presentations, the organisation was flawless, the boat trip on the Douro and the dinner venue were fantastic, the fado music band was 'the cherry on the cake'.

The EJTA board, director and membership owe many, many thanks for all the take-aways to the organising colleagues from the University of Porto, especially to Helena, Paulo and Pedro.

This was an experience never to forget which makes us look forward with great appetite to the upcoming EJTA events.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

During the Thursday morning slot of the meeting in Porto the EJTA membership elected two new Board Members: Cristina Nistor from Babeş-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca and Will Cope from Solent University Southampton.

We're really looking forward to their fresh energy and creative ideas and we're

sure the constructive cooperation within the EJTA Board will lead to a shiny future for the association.



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EJTA AGM 2024 & CONFERENCE (CLUJ-NAPOCA - 16-18 OCTOBER)



The colleagues from Babeş-Bolyai University **Cluj-Napoca** are getting totally ready to welcome you at their university's venue on **16-18 October 2024**, for the AGM 2024 and conference on 'Reporting Europe. Journalism Education in Multicultural Contexts'.

The website to register and to find all practical info will open by mid-June 2024. The link will be sent to all members by mail and on LinkedIn.

Start planning your trip soon and don't miss out on this beautiful city and important AGM & conference.

#EJTALK13: 13 September 2024, 12 am CET

Join us for #EJTAlk13 on 'Polarisation in Europe / Law on foreign agents and its consequences for the media and journalism teaching, with specific attention to the Georgian situation', moderated by Tiko Tsomaia on 13 September 2024, 12 am CET.

Georgia's political climate is tense as the country prepares for its parliamentary elections. Could the 89 percent of Georgians who aspire for democracy and closer ties with the European Union find their hopes unfulfilled? If their aspirations are thwarted, what would be the impact on journalism and the overall landscape of media education in the country? By elaboration: what do laws like these mean for other European countries?

STATEMENT OF THE EJTA BOARD TO SUPPORT OUR GEORGIAN COLLEAGUES

EJTA stands in solidarity with Georgian journalists, media organisations and civil society activists in their pursuit of truth, transparency, and democracy.

EJTA condemns abuse, threats and physical attacks targeting journalists and activists in Georgia.

EJTA supports the Georgian colleagues who call on the Georgian government to:

- Ensure the safety of journalists, allowing them to work without fear of harassment or reprisals.
- Investigate and hold accountable those responsible for attacks or threats against journalists.
- Create an environment that supports media pluralism, diversity and independence.

 Engage in dialogue with media organizations and civil society to address concerns and strengthen democracy.

Three Georgian journalism schools have been proud members of EJTA since 2014, contributing to our shared mission and vision.

EUFACTCHECK: THE FACTS ABOUT THE EU ELECTIONS



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With only 10 days until the EU2024 elections our J-schools and journalism students are going strong in factchecking political statements. Daily publications will inform you about important topics and also offer a chance to see our students' great work!

Some factchecks will show 'cross-national collaboration' as they were produced during an intensive week of factchecking in Utrecht, from 12-17 May. In a Blended Intensive (Erasmus) Programme 36 students and 9 teachers from Romania, Georgia, Ukraine, Spain, Belgium, Germany and the Netherlands joined for a week of hard thinking, hard working and hard playing. So keep an eye on our website EUfactcheck.eu for the latest publications.

LINKEDIN

The EJTA LinkedIn closed group is doing great with the number of members growing, but we're convinced we still can do better. Soon we'll share the presentations and texts of the Porto Teachers' Training.

So, if you want to stay updated about EJTA's activities and promote (y)our thoughts on journalism education join us on https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12766168/ and share the information! You can evidently also invite members of your team.

FUTURE EJTA TEACHERS' TRAININGS (TTs) & AGMs

AGM 2024: 16-18 October 2024 in Cluj
TT 2025: 21-23 May 2025 in Rome

• AGM 2025 15-17 October 2025 in Utrecht

• TT 2026: mid-May 2026, Tartu

AGM 2026: mid-October 2026, Hungary

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





