



## NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2025 - ASSOCIATIONAL MATTERS

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### UPCOMING EJTA DEADLINES

10 March 2025	deadline call for papers and presentations Teachers' Training Rome
15 March 2025	deadline payment membership fee 2025
28 April 2025	deadline registration Teachers' Training Rome

*The dates of the upcoming events are mentioned in the Newsletter that went out in the beginning of February 2025.*

*You can find information about most events and deadlines in the EJTA LinkedIn closed group <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12766168/> and on the [EJTA website](#).*

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### FEES 2025

The EJTA Office Manager sent out the invoices for the fees 2025 in December 2024. Please make sure the correct administrative person / department from your institution receives and pays it (if you haven't already done so).

**Deadline for payment: 15 March 2025.**

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## **TARTU DECLARATION REVISION TEAM: Tartu4Tomorrow**

Our new project Tartu4Tomorrow kicked off in an online meeting on January 20th. The team consists of colleagues from a variety of EJTA J-schools all over Europe (Italy, Spain, Romania, Hungary, Finland and The Netherlands). Our President and Vice-President will be leading this team in a revision of our Tartu Declaration that will form the basis of an imagined future 'European School of Journalism'. Prior to our Teachers' Training in Rome the T4T-team will meet to establish the first steps. Next stop will be our Jubilee AGM in Utrecht where we will present the framework to all members and hope to involve many of you in the implementation that will follow thereafter. The project will end in 2027.

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## **EJTA & MEDIA LITERACY**

Last year in Porto in May and in Cluj in October, we discussed the role we can take as journalism educators in the field of media literacy. Based on these discussions, we have now published the EJTA's media literacy mission statement on the [EJTA website](#).

The key issue that we want to express is how media literacy education, encompassing journalism education, could contribute to the enhancement of quality journalism as a fundamental factor for a democratic society.

Feel free to share our statement! EJTA will also actively spread it in the Voices festival in Zagreb.

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## **EUFACTCHECK**



After the successful factchecking of the EU elections in May last year, the EUfactcheck project has been rebranded into a two-track programme.

1) The publication of factchecks from students from EJTA-schools will continue and is supported by an editorial team: Wouter Frateur, Frederik Marain and Alexander Maeder. In the second semester of 2024-2025, a dozen schools will publish factcheck- and blog-articles on the website, some of them in an international collaboration with another school. If your school wasn't able to be present at the kick-off meeting for publication season 11 (!), publication slots are still available.

2) In addition to this we will also offer a EUfactcheck Lab, this is a short intensive week (BIP) in which students from different EJTA-schools will factcheck a specific theme. This year Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona will organise a factchecking week on Climate Reporting in May.

The website eufactcheck.eu, by the way, is still going strong. Despite somewhat lower activity in 2024, we attracted 500+ users per week on average, a total of 30,000+ users for 2024, with 37,000 sessions. More than 70% of users found us via search.

In Rome there will be a preconference meeting for all involved and interested member schools to hear and learn more about the EUfactcheck programme.

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## **SPORTS JOURNALISM**



Do you run a Sports Journalism module? Are you interested in sport? Do you have students who love sport? If so, read on!

We at EJTA want to start a Sports task force. We want to identify a common goal and work with our students to do great things. We want to get our students talking, mixing, sharing and collaborating. We want to do what sport has done so well for centuries, and that is bringing people together.

If you are interested and are keen to hear more, email Board Member Will Cope and we will set up initial discussions and plans. Get involved, be part of the team!

Email: [will.cope@solent.ac.uk](mailto:will.cope@solent.ac.uk)

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## **EJTA & RESEARCH**

In Rome, during the preconference meetings afternoon (Wednesday, May 21st) we'll take the first steps in bringing together EJTA researchers who do research IN and ON journalism education.

We want to find out what is the potential of this group, which EJTA schools do exactly what, whether EJTA can support schools to cooperate or motivate members to do and publish research, whether we can create a community and knowledge platform on journalism education research, and whether we could/should set up a possible cooperation with ECREA.

If you're interested, make sure we'll hear your voice at this preconference meeting.

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 29 February - 1 March 2025      Festival Voices, Zagreb
- 28 March 2025, 12.00 CET      EJTalk16 (on Zoom)
- 21-23 May 2025                  EJTA Teachers' Training, Rome
- 8-10 August 2025                WJEC7, San Francisco
- 15-17 October 2025              EJTA AGM, Utrecht
- mid-October 2026                EJTA AGM, Tartu

Members that are eager to organise an EJTA training or AGM in the future, please communicate this to [director@ejta.eu](mailto:director@ejta.eu)

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