



NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2026

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SAVE AND SHARE THE DATES: UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES

Deadline survey Climate Journalism:	28 September 2026
Deadline applications Board election:	30 September 2026
Deadline registration AGM '26:	1 October 2026
AGM '26 & Symposium:	28-30 October 2026, Bordeaux
EJTAlk20:	20 November 2026, 12 am CET
Voices Festival, edition 4:	26-28 November 2026, Thessaloniki

You can find information about most events and deadlines in [the EJTA LinkedIn closed group](#) and on [the EJTA website](#). Be sure to become a member of the LinkedIn group, if you're not there yet!

BOURDEAUX EJTA AGM & SYMPOSIUM 2026: ONLY A COUPLE OF DAYS LEFT TO REGISTER!



If you intend to participate in Bordeaux, do hurry, the **deadline for registration is 1 October** and the available places are limited. You can find all practical information regarding registration and the detailed programme [on the event website](#).

TARTU4TOMORROW: WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK!

At the AGM in Utrecht last year we presented the new preamble of the Tartu Declaration, which was warmly applauded by the member schools present. Over the past year we have asked for feedback from several external parties, such as students, fellow educators and the work field. At the Teachers' Training in Tartu we took the next step to update the framework of 10 competencies. In Bordeaux we will continue our work and in this process we need your feedback. On 1 October, as an appendix to the AGM Agenda, you will find a survey about how you use and want to use the Tartu Declaration in your institute and with your colleagues.

Please contribute to our Tartu renewal with your input and thoughts!

BORDEAUX BOARD ELECTIONS: DEADLINE TO APPLY IS 30 SEPTEMBER

In Bordeaux we will elect two new EJTA Board members in and in the previous Newsletter (June) we mentioned the characteristics of an EJTA Board member. We received quite some interesting applications and we'll introduce all the applicants shortly, together with the voting procedure in the agenda of the AGM, which will land in your mailbox by 1 October.

For people who like last minute decisions: deadline for official applications is 30 September 2026.

Send an email to anne.leppajarvi@haaga-helia.fi and nadia.vissers@ap.be and attach a short biography with a photograph and your motivation and strategic ideas for EJTA (about 100-150 words).

BORDEAUX: FOCUS GROUPS ON WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER / PART 1

2:00–3:30 PM

Teaching Climate Journalism

All EJTA members are invited to tell us in a short [survey](#) (**deadline: 28 September!**) what they do or want to do on climate journalism. In the focus group we will discuss the answers of the survey and talk about some of the intriguing and inspiring initiatives, hoping we can build an EJTA proposal together.

Teaching Media Literacy

The EJTA Media Literacy Focus Group in Bordeaux will discuss recent curricular and extracurricular developments in media literacy across partner schools, alongside relevant policies, reports, and emerging trends. It will also host a workshop organized in collaboration with the EJTA-supported JEMILE project – Journalism Education Enhancing Media and Information Literacy in Europe: Network for Citizen-Centred Engagement – with the aim of sharing media literacy teaching practices and experiences among colleagues.

Teaching AI & Data (& EUfactcheck)

In the AI & Data Journalism Focus Group we will, again, try to showcase some best practices for

teaching AI and Data Journalism. Subscribe for this workshop and expect a call for best practice presentations in a few weeks time.

BORDEAUX: FOCUS GROUPS ON WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER / PART 2

4:00–5:30 PM

Teaching Sports Journalism

The EJTA Sports Journalism Focus Group has already hit top gear and we are travelling at pace! Only a year into being, we smashed out a pre–Football World Cup Preview Podcast back in June, that was hugely well received by our audience. That transnational collaboration included 6 EJTA Journalism schools, and we have plans for more cross border broadcast projects in store, including one that will be published in December. Why not come along and join us at the Sports Journalism focus group in Bordeaux to hear more or get in touch to be part of our dynamic team!

Teaching Inclusive Journalism

In the workshop, we will develop the ideas for exercises we collected in Tartu. Those ideas were based upon three takeaways: create awareness of minority groups, develop empathy for your interviewee, talk with people from minorities, not about them. We will also work on a 'checklist for inclusive reporting'.

Research in & on Journalism Education

We warmly invite EJTA colleagues to join the Research Focus Group meeting in Bordeaux, where we will explore the findings of the survey 'News Consumption Among Journalism Students in Europe: Mapping, Explaining, and Teaching News Engagement' in greater depth, discuss the next steps for the current project, and develop ideas for future collaborative research, publications, and activities of the Research Focus Group. We look forward to continuing this discussion together in Bordeaux!

BORDEAUX: EJTA CONNECTS ON WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER

5:30–7:00 PM

On Wednesday 28 October we organise the second EJTA Connects, the networking infomarket where EJTA members can share interesting events and activities with each other on a one-to-one

basis.

If you want to promote or introduce a project or invite participants to a future collaboration, send a mail to director@ejta.eu in which you tell us what (short) and how (poster, talk, leaflet, ...) you want to present.

For your information: there won't be a beamer in the room, but you can use your own laptop.

ECREA ECC26: ROUNDTABLE BY EJTA

The EJTA Research Focus Group roundtable 'News Consumption Among Journalism Students in Europe: Mapping, Explaining, and Teaching News Engagement' was successfully presented at ECREA (ECC26) in Brno, Czech Republic by Marju Himma (Estonia), Reetta Nousiainen (Finland), Romina Surugiu (Romania) and Ana Pinto-Martinho (Portugal).

The session generated a lively discussion on news avoidance among journalism students, drawing on our comparative research across European countries. With 378 student responses collected so far, the study provides valuable insights into patterns of news engagement and avoidance, emotional responses, trust, and the influence of social media and family media habits. The discussion also highlighted the important role of journalism educators in developing new approaches to sustainable news engagement.

COUNCIL OF EUROPE EVENT



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On Tuesday 22 September EJTA organised the fourth Council of Europe project for students. With

the title 'The Challenging Future for European Journalism and Communication Students' more than 150 students received information on the Council of Europe by Claudia Prosperi, a Masterclass on 'How to Be(come) a Journalist in these Unstable Times' by Nico Drok and a Masterclass 'Reflections on the Use of AI for Future Journalists' by Frederik Marain. The event ended with a networking moment.

EJTALK20 ON NOVEMBER 2026

Our 20th #EJTALK! Reason to do something special.

We'd like you to invite staff, students and media professionals from your network or country to participate in this special EJTALK with the topic AI in Journalism Education.

After the Symposium in Bordeaux and a related essay coming from EJTA, we'll have more than enough thought-provoking material to discuss.

Since the topic is so overall present and interesting to all our stakeholders we really hope you'll invite many people to join.

So start spreading the news and the date! The official mail and link will follow soon after Bordeaux.

VOICES – EUROPEAN FESTIVAL OF JOURNALISM AND MEDIA FREEDOM

VOICES



26-28 NOVEMBER

From the [Voices Festival's website](#):

“From tackling journalism's evolution in a rapidly shifting media landscape to empowering citizens with the tools to navigate these changes, the festival is steering the conversation toward a more informed future. Three days with hundreds of participants, 70+ speakers, curated sessions, interactive workshops, exhibitions, and networking opportunities.”

EJTA schools will create an international students newsroom together (in cooperation with Aristotle University) and we'll be present a workshop 'Reframing Media and Information Literacy: From Audience Skill to Journalistic Practice'.

We hope to meet many of you in Thessaloniki!

UPCOMING EJTA LIVE EVENTS

- AGM 2026: 28-30 October 2026, Bordeaux
- TT 2027: 19-21 May 2027, Krakow
- AGM 2027: 20-22 October 2027, Chişinău

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



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