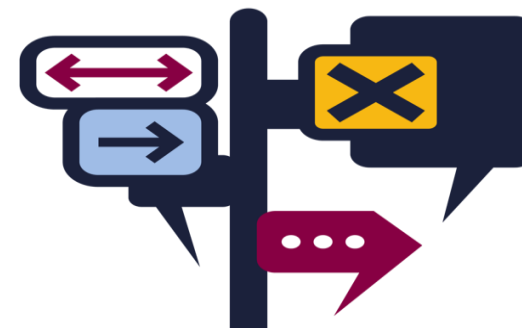


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Teresa Ribeiro

The Representative on Freedom of the Media.

Teresa Ribeiro, of Portugal, is the fifth Representative on Freedom of the Media. She has vast political, diplomatic, human rights and media experience.

Prior to this position, she was Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Portugal, while serving as President of the National Commission for Human Rights.

She was also Secretary of State for European Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Portugal and Deputy Secretary General at the Union for the Mediterranean, positions that gave her extensive experience in dealing with the EU institutions and Member States, as well as with its close neighbourhood.

Throughout her career, Teresa Ribeiro has held different positions in media, both in Portugal and in multilateral organizations, such as President of the Institute of the Media of Portugal, Chairperson of the Steering Committee on Mass Media of the Council of Europe, as well as co-founder and first elected President of the Executive Board of Obercom – Media Observatory.

She holds a degree in Philosophy from the University of Lisbon.



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Ton van den Brandt

Principal Adviser to the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Ton van den Brandt is Principal Adviser to the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media. He holds a degree in Dutch law and (cum laude) in International Law, and in Journalism. Van den Brandt worked as a journalist for a national newspaper and a weekly magazine for many years, and is the published author of two journalistic books.

Van den Brandt worked as an ad interim legal adviser with the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and with the Netherlands Red Cross, before taking up a position as senior political adviser with Amnesty International. Before moving to the OSCE, he led and managed the Communications Department of the Amsterdam District Court of Law. In his free time, he chaired the Dutch branch of the International Commission of Jurists and was a member of the Supervisory Board of the Netherlands Helsinki Committee.



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Damian Tambini

Dr Damian Tambini is Distinguished Policy Fellow in the Department of Media and Communications at LSE, where he also serves as Programme Director for the MSc Media and Communications (Governance).

Dr Tambini is an expert in media and communications regulation and policy, and active in policymaking as well as academic research. He is frequently called to give evidence to parliamentary committees and provide formal and informal policy advice to government. From 2014-2015 he served on the UK Government Expert Panel advising on the value of electromagnetic spectrum. He was called to give evidence to the Leveson Inquiry in 2012, and from 2009-2010 he served on the Communications Consumer Panel, a non-executive role at the communications regulator Ofcom.

Dr Tambini was inaugural Director of the Media Policy Project. From June 2002-August 2006 Dr Tambini was Head of the Programme in Comparative Media Law and Policy at Oxford University. Before that he was director of the IPPR Media Policy Project (1999-2002), Postdoctoral Fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford (1998). Lecturer, Humboldt University, Berlin (1997-8), and researcher at the European University Institute, Florence, Italy (PhD 1996).

Dr Tambini's research interests include media and telecommunications policy and democratic communication. He is the author of many articles on media and communications regulation and policy and author/ editor of several books. He Co-Edited 'Digital Dominance: The Power of Google, Amazon, Facebook and Apple.' (Oxford University Press 2018). He co-wrote 'Codifying Cyberspace (Routledge, 2008), co-edited 'Cyberdemocracy' (Routledge 1998) and 'Citizenship, Markets, and the State' (Oxford University Press 2000). Other publications include: 'Nationalism in Italian Politics' (Routledge 2001), 'Collective Identities in Action: Theories of Ethnic Conflict' (Ashgate, September 2002); 'New News: Impartial Broadcasting in the Digital Age' (edited by D. Tambini and J. Cowling, IPPR 2002) and 'Privacy and the Media' (IPPR, December 2003).



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Isabella Kurkowski

Isabella Kurkowski is a Managing Director of the EU project COPE “Covering Cohesion Policy in Europe – Training MOOC for European Journalism Students” since 2023, as well as an international media development expert and lecturer at the Journalism department at the Technical University Dortmund, Germany. She has supported the implementation of media self-regulatory institutions in several countries.

Kurkowski worked from 2020 to 2022 as the regional coordinator for the MENA region at the Erich Brost Institute for International Journalism and established the Programme in cooperation with Prof. Dr. Susanne Fengler "Media Accountability in the MENA region", which covered countries as Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Sudan, Syria and Tunisia. She was in 2022 also interim Editor-in-Chief of the European Journalism Observatory. From 2014-2019 Kurkowski worked as Country Representative of DW Akademie in Myanmar and from 2007-2013 as Advisor to the Executive Director of the Press Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Prior to this she was a Programme Manager at the Institut für Auslandsbeziehungen, being the German intermediate of the Stability Pact for Southeast Europe under the EU Media Task Force and responsible for media projects in 11 countries. Kurkowski is providing consultancy to OSCE, UNESCO, EU Commission and Council of Europe.



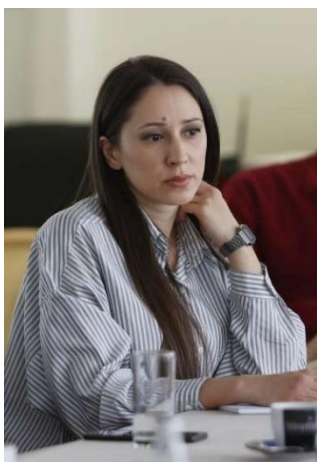
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Katerina Sinadinovska

Katerina Sinadinovska obtained degree in journalism from the St. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje in 2008. She is currently the assistant - editor in chief of Kapital, a weekly business and political magazine for which she has been working since 2010. She is also an author and editor of the TV project "Agenda 35" broadcasted on the national public television, an educational program about the reforms that will have to be adopted during the negotiation process with the EU. Before joining Kapital, Katerina worked as a journalist for two TV stations in Skopje - "Kanal 5" and "Alfa TV". Earlier, from 2004 to 2006 she worked as a journalist in the newspaper Vecer.

In 2015, Katerina was one of the founders of the Council of Media Ethics (CMEM) and elected as a President of the Managing Board. In March 2018, Katerina was re-elected and given a new mandate to run the organization for the next four years. Katerina Sinadinovska has contributed to professional trainings and conferences on media freedom, media ethics and literacy, and political and economic influence in the media sector, both in the country and abroad.



Maida Bahto Kestendžić

Ms Maida Bahto Kestendžić, graduated at the University of Sarajevo Faculty of Law. Working in the Press and Online Media Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina past ten years, at different positions but most of the time dealing with complaints of citizens on unprofessional print and online media reporting.

Currently she is a Project coordinator at Press and Online Media Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Maida possesses extensive experience in media self-regulation, media law and coordination of different kinds of projects promoting freedom of expression.

She previously worked in the Ministry of Defence of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Tax Administration of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and USAID Streamlining Permits and Inspections Regimes Activity Project in Bosnia and Herzegovina.





Gordana Novaković

Gordana Novaković is the Secretary General of the Press Council in Serbia since the founding of this self-regulatory body in 2011.

She has lectured at numerous meetings focusing on professional ethics and media self-regulation in Serbia and abroad that were organized by the Council of Europe, OSCE, UNESCO, and the associations of journalists of Serbia. She trains university students, journalists and representatives of the judiciary in media ethics, and she is also active in lobbying the government to advance self-regulation.



Paula Petričević

Paula Petričević is a philosopher, publicist, feminist, and peace activist. She earned her degree in Philosophy from the University of Belgrade and later obtained a Master's degree in Political Science. Currently, she is pursuing her PhD at the Faculty of Political Science, University of Belgrade.

Paula's professional background includes working as a program director for the Center for Civic Education and as a lecturer in Women's Studies at ANIMA - Center for Women's and Peace Education in Kotor. She is also a high school philosophy teacher and an ombudswoman for the daily newspaper "Vijesti" (since 2015) and the weekly magazine "Monitor" (since 2014).

Her research interests focus on gender issues, the history of the women's movement in Montenegro, media representation of women, and media ethics. She has contributed numerous articles and book chapters on these topics to both domestic and international publications. In 2019, Paula also served as an editor of the KotorArt Philosophers' Square.



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Julia Haas

Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Julia is an international law and human rights expert. At the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, Julia focuses on policy research and development in the field of internet governance and digital participation, with a focus on the impact of artificial intelligence on freedom of expression, digital and legal safety of journalists, gender and online pluralism.

Previously, she worked as legal officer and human rights adviser at the Austrian Ministry for Foreign Affairs. Julia sits on the advisory board for the Vienna Forum for Democracy and Human Rights, holds a Master's degree in Law from the University of Vienna, an Information and Media Law LLM and is a PhD candidate on the impact of digital innovations on freedom of the media.

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Noah Giansiracusa

Noah Giansiracusa (PhD in math from Brown University) is a tenured associate professor of mathematics and data science at Bentley University, a business school near Boston. His research interests range from algebraic geometry to machine learning to empirical legal studies.

After publishing the book "How Algorithms Create and Prevent Fake News" in July 2021, Noah has gotten more involved in public writing and policy discussions concerning data-driven algorithms and their role in society. He's written op-eds for Scientific American, TIME, Barron's, Boston Globe, Wired, Slate, and Fast Company, and he has appeared on BBC Radio 4, Slate, and TechCrunch podcasts.

Noah is currently working on a second book, "Robin Hood Math: How to Fight Back When the World Treats You Like a Number", under contract with Penguin Press.



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Bardhyl Jashari

Bardhyl Jashari is the Executive Director of the Metamorphosis Foundation, a non-governmental organization based in Skopje. He is a dedicated advocate for open and transparent governance, digital rights, media pluralism, and the use of technology for social change. Under his leadership, Metamorphosis has implemented numerous projects focused on increasing transparency and accountability in government, promoting civic participation, and advancing digital literacy and cybersecurity. He has also been actively involved in the international community, participating in various regional and global forums on issues related to the impact of technology on society. Bardhyl has been committed to promoting the values of democracy, human rights, and the responsible use of digital technology.

His work has had a significant impact on the development of civil society and the promotion of democratic values in North Macedonia and the region. Bardhyl holds a Master's degree from Paris 12 University-Faculty of Public Administration (France) and an Information System Designer Degree from the University of Zagreb (Croatia).



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Bojana Kostić

Bojana Kostić is a human rights and technology researcher and advocate. Bojana writes about freedom of expression and technology-related social factors and harms by centring on human rights frameworks, community and marginalised voices, gender equality, and intersectional justice principles. She relies on participatory research to explore the ways diverse contextual factors and political and economic interests, through interaction with digital artifacts, shape our lived realities, opportunities, and enjoyment of freedom of expression and related human rights.

She works for international organisations (OSCE, Council of Europe, and UNESCO) as well as for media freedom organisations like Free Press Unlimited, Thomson Foundation, Troll-Busters, Media Diversity Institute, Share Foundation, Balkan Investigative Reporting Network. She regularly offers support to journalists and human rights defenders to better recognise and counter online violence. She strives to utilise shared local and community knowledge and existing support mechanisms of resilience to drive change, specifically in the areas of media and community-building and inclusive media policy design.



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Sanja Stankovic

Sanja Stankovic works as a national legal officer at the OSCE Mission to Serbia, on media and media-related policy and legislation. Previously, she worked on intellectual property rights and international cooperation in research and development. She is an alumni of College of Europe, Université de Genève – la faculté de droit and University of Belgrade law school.



Tamara Filipovic

Tamara Filipovic Stevanovic has been working at Independent Journalists' Association of Serbia since August 2010. Initially she worked as a project manager, then from July 2020 as Secretary General of IJAS. She works on development and management of the projects regarding increasing professional and ethical capacity of journalists, safety of journalists, public media policies etc. She is a media activist, with special interest in media policies and journalists' rights. She writes reports and advocate for development of media sector and increase of media freedoms.

She participated in the development of the Media Strategy of the Republic of Serbia and accompanying Action plan. She is a member of several media working groups and commissions at the state level and chairperson of Labor rights expert group of European Journalists Federation. Tamara studied on Faculty of Philosophy, department for History.





Pavle Belovski

Pavle Belovski is president of the Independent Trade Union of Journalists and Media Workers (SSNM) for two years. Previously for years he was also actively involved in advocating for better working conditions, labor and professional rights of media workers as a member of the Executive Board of SSNM.

Belovski is also a prominent journalist and editor with more than 13 years of experience in TV journalism. Since 2009 he has been working at the national broadcaster TV Telma.



Dragan Sekulovski

Dragan Sekulovski is a dynamic professional with 12+ years of experience in fostering cooperation with EU-funded projects and organizations like OSCE, CoE, UNESCO, UNDP, UNHCR, KAS, IFES and others.

As the Director of the Association of Journalists (AJM) and Regional Director of safejournalists.net, he has a strong background in media policy, law amendments, and public policy analysis.

Dragan has contributed to various publications on journalists' safety and legal / policy assessments and has been part of working groups amending media-related laws since 2012. Holding bachelors and master's degrees in law, he is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in security at the Faculty of Security-Skopje on the topic of the safety of journalists.



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Iskra Hadji Vasileva

Iskra Hadji Vasileva got a Bachelor's Degree in legal studies at the University St. Cyril and Methodius, Faculty of Law "Justinianus Primus", North Macedonia in 2006, and after that volunteered at the Prime Court Skopje, for several months.

In the period from 2006 until 2013 she worked as a public servant in several institutions as a legal associate. In 2009 got a Master Degree in Sociology, at the University of St. Cyril and Methodius, Skopje on the thesis "Phenomenology of the crime permitted by women in the period 1991-2001".

In 2010 successfully passed the national Bar Exam. Starting from 11 December 2013 until 18 March 2016, she successfully finished the Academy for judges and prosecutors as a candidate for public prosecutor, after which in March 2016 was appointed as public prosecutor in the Prosecution Office in Skopje, and since then she works on different areas prosecuting crime mainly against finances and property.



Darko Martincevic

Darko Martincevic finished Law School at University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. On 26 February 2013 he passed bar exam in front of board of Federal Ministry of Justice. From 2013 to 2021 he worked as Legal assistant at Prosecutor's office of Bosnia and Herzegovina in War crime department.

During 2019, Darko served as Liaison Officer/Prosecutor at International Residual Mechanism for Crime Tribunals in The Hague, Netherlands, for Prosecutor office of Bosnia and Herzegovina and all Cantonal and District Prosecutors' Offices in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Since May 2021 by decision of High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina he has been appointed as Cantonal prosecutor at Cantonal Prosecutor's Office of Canton Sarajevo. Since March 2022 by decision of Chief Cantonal Prosecutor, he has been appointed as Contact point for journalists and journalists' organizations regarding criminal investigations where journalists are victims. Since May 2022 he has been working on international criminal legal assistance cases at Prosecutor office on all incoming MLA requests.



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Stevan Ristić

Stevan Ristić is the General Manager of *Vreme d.o.o.* since 2009. From 2003, he worked in a weekly “Vreme” on different positions.

He is the executive producer of several web and TV shows. In the last 15 years, he has coordinated various media projects. He is the President of the Managing Board of the Media Association, the member of the Board of the Press Council and the member of the Permanent working group for the safety of journalists, since the founding of the group in 2017.

He is director of the documentary film “Hero of 1914” and the documentary series “Apis”. He is the lecturer on the multidisciplinary non-formal education program “Future Studies” conducted by the Belgrade Open School.



Mladen Milutinović

Mladen Milutinović is known as one of the owners and key figures in the Montenegrin media landscape. Mladen Milutinović was born on February 19, 1964. He completed elementary school in Sarajevo and attended high school (gymnasium) in Podgorica. He then graduated from the Faculty of Law in Podgorica in 1990.

His work experience began in 1990 at the Directorate of Public Revenues, where he served as the secretary of the Directorate of Public Revenues of the Republic of Montenegro until 1996. Since 1997, Milutinović has been a co-owner and co-founder of the media company Jumedia Mont Ltd, together with Duško Jovanović. After Duško Jovanović's assassination in 2004, Milutinović also assumed the role of executive director.

This media company operates in the field of journalism, publishing, and broadcasting on two radio stations, Radio D and Radio D+. Jumedia Mont also owns the news portal Dan. As the editor-in-chief of the daily newspaper "Dan," he has played a significant role in its management and editorial policy.



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Nabeelah Shabbir

Nabeelah Shabbir is a British-Pakistani journalist and Senior Research Associate at the [International Center for Journalists](#) (ICFJ) and co-editor of the November 2022 ICFJ/UNESCO report [The Chilling: A global study of online violence against women journalists](#). At The Guardian, she shared a British Journalism Award in 2015 with the "Keep it in the Ground" team and has a European Young Journalist award for her writing in Kosovo in 2008. She is co-author of a series of reports at the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism on digital-born news media in Europe and innovation in media in the Global South. She has worked at the Financial Times, The Correspondent and Twitter amongst others, and has lived in Cologne, Brussels, Paris, London, Oxford, and Amsterdam.



Sihana Nebiu

Head of Democratization Department, OSCE Presence in Albania

Sihana Nebiu is Head of Democratization Department at OSCE Presence in Albania and program manager of Media Development, Parliamentary Affairs, Elections, Youth, Civil Society and Gender portfolios.

Ms. Nebiu has an extensive professional career in various regional and international organizations in the Western Balkan and broader region. She is an outspoken advocate for more comprehensive and crosscutting interactions to ensure a more effective functioning of democracy.

She holds a MA in Democracy and Human Rights from University of Sarajevo and University of Bologna, a passionate supporter youth engagement, civic activism, women's empowerment and democratization.



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Lazar Čovš,
Journalist at BBC Serbia

Lazar Čovš is an investigative journalist and trainer with extensive background in fact-checking, digital and photo forensics, and crunching numbers. He currently works as a journalist for BBC Serbia. He studied journalism at universities in Novi Sad. Before he worked as an assistant editor at the fact-checking portal Fake News Tragač. He has been active for more than a decade in the Goran Movement, in SEEYN – the youth network of Southeast Europe, FEJS – the Forum of Journalism Students of Europe, the Youth Initiative for Human Rights, the Vojvodina Civic Center etc. He is also a trainer of digital forensics and other topics related to fact-checking and media literacy at the Novi Sad School of Journalism.



Azem Kurtić,
Journalist at Balkan Insight

Azem Kurtic is Sarajevo-based multimedia journalist working for Balkan Investigative Reporting Network, BIRN Hub. He is a Bosnian correspondent for BIRN's flagship English outlet, Balkan Insight, writing news and in-depth analysis, investigations, features and profiles, covering topics of human rights, politics, transitional justice, organized crime and corruption. Prior to joining BIRN, he worked at the Public Radio-Television of Bosnia and Herzegovina, BHRT, and in a Press Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina as a reporter for radio shows promoting media rights and freedoms. For five years, he was part of Deutsche Welle's DW Balkan Booster project, reporting from Western Balkan countries on different topics.



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Fjoralba Sinoruka

Journalist at BIRN Albania

Fjori Sinoruka, has been working for BIRN's flagship Balkan Insight for the last two years as correspondent from Albania. Based in Tirana, she studied journalism and always wanted to be in the media. For her, journalism is connected with two important words: democracy and responsibility. Her favorite topics to report on are public security, human rights, corruption, cybersecurity and cyber-defence.



Alma Baxhaku

Journalist at Gazeta Express

Alma Baxhaku, 27 years old, lives in Prishtina. She has a bachelor's degree in journalism, from the University of Prishtina, 2014-2017. She has 6+ years of experience in journalism focused mainly on politics. For about 4 years, she has worked as a web journalist at Klan Kosova (a media based in Prishtina) and since March 2022, she works at Gazeta Express (an online newspaper based in Prishtina). She is experienced in being challenged on writing numerous stories while having a strong motivational boost when working to advance various topics towards the improvement of a society in transition, especially the vendor ones such as that of Kosovo. Considering our region and the problems arising from the divisions and wars of the 90s, she is interested in writing about reconciliation, which is why I also cover the Kosovo-Serbia dialogue in my texts. She participated in several trainings related to the field of media in Kosovo and the region, often organized by the OSCE.



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Ljubica Ivanova
Journalist at Vidi Vaka

Ljubica Ivanova works as a journalist in Vidi Vaka. She graduated journalism at the Faculty of Law "Justinian First", University "St. Cyril and Methodius" - Skopje in 2019.

She has been engaged in journalism since 2018 when she started volunteering at SCOOP Macedonia - Center for Investigative Journalism and continued to work there as a journalist on investigative stories and short videos using mobile journalism. For two years she was a journalist at Women's Magazine, and in the meantime for four years she worked on texts, analyses, interviews for the Platform for Investigative Journalism and Analyzes - PINA. Also, as part of the Balkan Booster program of Deutsche Welle, from 2020 - 2022, she worked on making video stories using mobile journalism.



Biljana Roćen Knežević
Journalist at Portal Analitika

Biljana Roćen Knežević is a journalist who lives in Podgorica, Montenegro. She studied at the University of Montenegro, Faculty of Political Sciences - Journalism. She has been working in online media for three years. Before that, she worked for a short time on the radio, for about a year, and for a few months in print media.



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Krisztina Rozgonyi

Dr Krisztina Rozgonyi is Senior Scientist at the Institute for Comparative Media and Communication Studies (CMC) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW) and a senior international media, telecommunication and IP legal and policy expert.

She works with international and European organizations (such as the ITU/UN, UNESCO, Council of Europe, European Commission, World Bank InfoDev, OSCE and BBC MA), with national governments, and regulators as an adviser on media freedom, spectrum policy and digital platform governance.

Before her academic engagement, she was a regulator leading a Telecommunication Regulatory Authority in an EU Member State. Her expertise lies in media and telecommunications policy-making and regulation, with extensive experience in legal reform work.

Dr Rozgonyi also manages a platform at the Department of Communication of the University of Vienna to bridge research with policy agendas.



Mihajlo Lahtov

Mihajlo Lahtov is the project director for the USAID Media Literacy Project YouThink, implemented in North Macedonia by IREX and three local partners.

Mihajlo is an experienced media literacy trainer, project manager, and communications specialist with a proven track record in multiple settings. He brings over two decades of experience in research and working in media and journalism, specializing in civic engagement and participation, communications, and media literacy.



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Besa Luci

Kosovo 2.0, chief editor and co-founder

Besa Luci is the chief editor and co-founder of Kosovo 2.0, a print and multimedia magazine creating uncompromising journalism that listens to people's experiences, explains complex realities, provides context, and provokes conversations in Kosovo, the region and beyond. Besa was a Teaching Assistant at the Journalism Department, University of Prishtina between 2013-2019.

She holds a BA in political science/international relations and journalism/mass communications from the American University in Bulgaria, and an MA in journalism/magazine writing from the Graduate School of Journalism, University of Missouri, Columbia.

She has also worked as senior researcher for various non-governmental organizations in Kosovo, on issues pertaining to media freedoms and human rights. Besa is actively involved in public debates, actions and capacity-building initiatives pertaining to media literacy and innovation, journalistic professionalism and ethics. She is also active in documentary production, as a writer and producer.



Dorentina Hysa

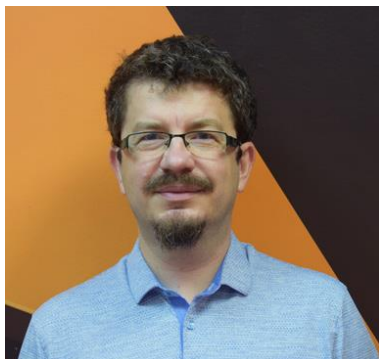
Project Coordinator & Researcher, Albanian Media Institute

Dorentina Hysa Project Coordinator & Researcher, Albanian Media Institute and a communications professional based in Tirana, Albania. She has a strong academic background in social sciences from the University of Tirana and the University of Haifa, Israel.

As a Project Coordinator and Researcher at the Albanian Media Institute, she designs and implements Media and Information Literacy projects in national and regional level. She has contributed to developing training contents for teachers and conducted research on MIL, with a particular focus on hate speech and divisive narratives. In addition, Ms. Hysa shares her expertise as a part-time lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Tirana.



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Filip Stojanovski

Filip Stojanovski serves as Director for Partnership and Resource Development at Metamorphosis Foundation. He has been working on anti-disinformation projects starting with founding of the fact-checking service [Truthmeter.mk](#) in 2011, including the [USAID Media Fact-Checking Service](#) (2012-17), and EU-supported [Critical Thinking for Mediawise Citizens – Crithink](#) (2018-21).

He is currently working on the regional project [Western Balkans Anti-Disinformation Hub](#) supported by the Kingdom of the Netherlands. He holds a BSc Degree in Computer Science from Graceland University (USA) and Masters in e-business management from Université Paris 1 – Panthéon Sorbonne (France).



Emir Powlakić

Mr. Emir Powlakić is the Head of Audiovisual and Media Services at the Communications Regulatory Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina. With over twenty-four years of experience in media regulation, his scope of work includes licensing and content program monitoring, distribution and content providers, freedom of expression, hate speech, media and information literacy, and copyrights.

He contributed to the process of establishing convergent regulatory authority from its inception phase and currently follows closely the topics related to new technologies and challenges related to digitalization and audio-visual policy. Mr. Powlakić was a member of the Forum on digital terrestrial broadcasting transition in Bosnia and Herzegovina. He was also one of the founders of the Internet Governance Forum in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Since 2006, Mr. Powlakić acts as one of the Bureau's Vice-Chairs of the Steering Committee on Media and Information Society (CDMSI) of the Council of Europe.



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Flutura Kusari

Legal Adviser/ Media Lawyer, The European Centre for Press and Media Freedom

Flutura Kusari works as senior legal advisor at the European Centre for Press and Media Freedom (ECPMF). She leads ECPMF's legal support programme which has supported hundreds of media workers across Europe. She also advocates with international organisations to improve legislation to defend freedom of expression. During the last decade, she has been engaged in building capacities of judges, prosecutors, police officers, and lawyers on freedom of expression across the Western Balkans. In addition, she advises journalists on pre- and post- publication legal matters such as defamation, access to information, contempt of court, and privacy. Flutura co-leads the Anti-SLAPP work at the European level as part of the Coalition Against SLAPPs in Europe (CASE) and as an expert for the European Union and Council of Europe. She holds a PhD in Media Law from Ghent University, Belgium.



Charlie Holt

Charlie Holt advises on legal strategy for Greenpeace International, where he leads the organisation's SLAPP resilience strategy and sits on the European Commission's Expert Group on SLAPPs. He co-chairs the UK Working Group on SLAPPs and sits on the Steering Committee the Coalition Against SLAPPs in Europe (CASE). Since 2016, Charlie has advised on the response of Greenpeace International to two aggressive large-scale SLAPPs targeting Greenpeace entities in the USA, and in 2018 helped to set up the US anti-SLAPP coalition Protect the Protest. Charlie previously advised on campaign strategy for the free speech organisation English PEN and now works part-time with Global Climate Legal Defense (CliDef) to build support for climate activists facing SLAPPs and other legal threats.



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Jovana Kisin Zagajac

Jovana Kisin Zagajac, a lawyer based in Banja Luka, has an extensive legal background. After graduating from the Faculty of Law in Banja Luka in 2011, she obtained her academic title of Bachelor of Law. In 2017, she joined the Bar Association as a practicing lawyer. In addition to her legal practice, Kisin Zagajac is a well-known social activist in the field of human rights protection, having won numerous successful court proceedings in areas such as discrimination, systemic intimidation, corruption, environmental protection, and animal protection.

She has also published several expert articles and scientific works on civil law and the protection of basic human rights. Kisin Zagajac is a certified JUFREX trainer, having completed her education on freedom of expression from Article 10 of the ECHR as part of the joint project of the Council of Europe and the European Union.

Kisin Zagajac is actively involved in various non-governmental projects aimed at legal standardization and the adoption of better legal solutions in the fields of efficiency and transparency of public administration work, reduction of corruption, more efficient and independent work of the judiciary, and equality of citizens before the law.



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Laura Prather

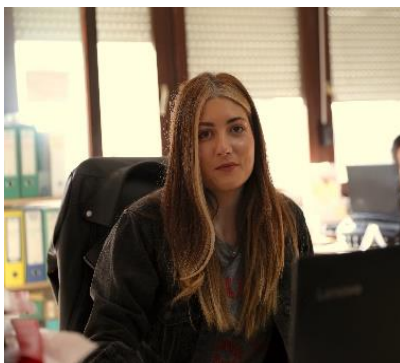
Laura Lee Prather is head of the Media Practice Group of Haynes and Boone, LLP. She is a nationally renowned expert in Anti-SLAPP laws and focuses her policy work on defending global freedom of expression issues. She was instrumental in the passage of the Texas Anti-SLAPP law, served as an ABA Advisor to the Uniform Law Commission in drafting and enacting its Model Anti-SLAPP law, and serves on the board of directors for the Public Participation Project, whose mission it is to obtain passage of a federal Anti-SLAPP law.

Last Fall, Laura was selected as a Fulbright Scholar to work with Reporters Sans Frontiers focusing her research on the protection of global freedom of expression rights. Laura's litigation practice focuses on defending SLAPP victims in the trial courts and on appeal. Laura has noteworthy government relations experience as an advocate on First Amendment and open government concerns.

She advises an extensive array of content providers including online and traditional newspapers, magazines, radio and broadcasters, cable television stations, production companies and music and sports entities. Laura was the lead author and negotiator for four of the most significant pieces of First Amendment legislation in recent history in Texas - the reporters' privilege, the Anti-SLAPP statute, the retraction statute, and the third party allegation rule. All of these laws are designed to promote and protect free speech rights in Texas.



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Milica Vojinović

Milica Vojinović is an investigative journalist based in Belgrade, Serbia. She obtained her degree in Journalism from the Faculty of Political Sciences in Belgrade and currently works as investigative reporter at Crime And Corruption Reporting Network – KRIK. Milica is dedicated to uncovering the truth behind matters related to organized crime and corruption in Serbia, with a particular focus on high-level corruption and ties between organized crime and the Serbian Government.

Milica's work has received international recognition, including the global Sigma Award in 2021, which was awarded to her and her team for their work on an investigative online Database about the Serbian judiciary titled "Judge who judges".

In addition, she has been recognized with the CEI SEEMO Award for Outstanding Merits in Investigative Journalism within the category of Best Young Professional Journalist and the EU Investigative Journalism Awards in the Western Balkans and Turkey.

Her work has shed light on some of the most critical issues affecting Serbian society today and she is committed to using her skills to promote transparency and accountability in Serbia.




Alexander Kashumov

Alexander Kashumov is a human rights lawyer. He is Executive Director of the [Access to Information Program](#) – Bulgaria where he worked in the last 26 years. He has litigated hundreds of freedom of expression, access to information and other human rights cases before national and international tribunals including the ECtHR (*Kasabova, Idakiev, Sashov, Hadzhiev, Boykanov, Aneva and Others, Yonchev, National Movement Ekoglasnost, Ekimdzhiev and Others v. Bulgaria*, and filed amicus briefs on behalf of AIP in *Mosley* and *GC Magyar Helsinki, Satakunnan Markkinapörssi Oy* etc.).



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	<p>He is also author and co-author of five books, many chapters in books, analyses, articles, handbooks, and an international expert, trainer, lecturer and consultant on EU, CoE and other projects.</p> <p>He is SC member of the FOIAdvocates network, a member of the Journalist Ethics Commission in Bulgaria (2006- up to now) and its former president, and a member of the Bulgarian Supreme Bar Council. Alexander Kashumov was recognized as “Attorney of the Year” in 2008 and received “Top case”award in 2016.</p>
	<p>Nazim Rashidi</p> <p>Nazim Rashidi is a host of news and current affairs TV Program “Programi 200” at TV Alsat, unique in style because it uses Albanian, Macedonian, English, in presentation during the program. He is a journalist and editor of in-house programs at TV Alsat. Ex BBC journalist. Working for the BBC for 12 years, in the UK and Balkan region.</p>



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Zaneta Trajkoska

Zaneta Trajkoska, Ass. Prof. Ph.D. in political science is the Director of the Institute of Communication Studies (ICS). Previously, she was the Director of the School of Journalism and Public Relations (SJPR) and Macedonian Institute for Media (MIM). She is an expert in research and education on media, communications, journalism, and media literacy.

Zaneta has over 25 years of experience working with and leading projects for domestic and international donors on media and journalism education, strategic communications and public relations, development of communication strategies, media literacy, and public interest campaigns. She has conducted media literacy training for high school and university students and PR and communication training for domestic and international organizations. Zaneta has led and worked in teams that developed journalism and PR curricula for BA and MA studies, communication strategies for the Macedonian Parliament, the Macedonian Government and ministries, EU projects, and numerous Civil Society Organizations (CSOs). She is an author, co-author, and editor of several research documents on political communication, disinformation, propaganda, and media literacy. Areas of research interest: political communication, propaganda, media manipulation, journalism.



Liliana Vițu

Liliana Vițu was appointed the Chair of the Audiovisual Council, country's regulatory body for TV and Radio, in December 2021.

Ms. Vițu started her career in 1999 as a BBC World Service correspondent in Moldova. When the Communists' Party lost power in 2009, she ran to become the director of the News and Debates Department at the public TV channel "Moldova 1" to promote long overdue reforms at the public broadcaster. Recent experience includes consulting in media development for the Thomson Reuters Foundation for development of independent media in Moldova, UNDP Uzbekistan, OSCE Tajikistan and working as a Project Director for Internews in Kyrgyzstan. In 2011 she was the first journalist to be nominated by the US Embassy for the Edward R. Murrow Program for Journalists, USA.



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Josef Trappel

Josef Trappel is Professor for media policy and media economics and the head of the department for communication studies at the University of Salzburg, Austria. His research work concentrates on media and democracy, changes in media structures and their implications on mass communication, digitisation and innovation, national and international media policy and media economics. He is the convenor of the *Euromedia Research Group* and Director of the EU Erasmus+ Joint Master Programme “*Digital Communication Leadership*”. He is also the Principal Investigator of the European Media Ownership Monitor (EurOMo). Latest publication: Success and Failure in News Media Performance. Comparative Analysis in The Media for Democracy Monitor (Nordicom, 2022)



Olaf Steenfadt

Olaf Steenfadt is the Founder and Managing Director of Global Media Registry (GMR), a charitable social enterprise that promotes transparency, accountability and pluralism in the information space. With his background in news reporting and investigative journalism, he is a speaker, entrepreneur and globally visible expert on digital media policy and ethics. Two of his signature projects include the “Media Ownership Monitor” and the “Journalism Trust Initiative” which he developed and implemented on behalf of the press freedom watchdog Reporters Without Borders. Olaf previously worked for national German public broadcasters ARD and ZDF in various roles. He is a member of the “High-level Expert Group on Fake News and Online Disinformation” of the European Commission and of the “Committee of Experts on Quality of Journalism in the Digital Age” and the “Committee of Experts on Media Environment and Reform” at the Council of Europe.



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Faruk Rexhaj

Graduated lawyer, master of legal sciences in the Constitutional and Administrative Program, also completed the Jurisprudence examination.

Employed in the IMC since June 2007, initially serving as a senior officer for media monitoring, as a manager for media monitoring, and for several years as a director of department.

He participated in many conferences, different round tables, with a focus on media regulation in general.

As of July 1, 2021, Faruk is an acting Chief Executive Officer of the IMC.



Roberta Carlini

Roberta Carlini is Assistant Part Time Professor at the EUI. Roberta joined the Centre for Media Pluralism and Media Freedom (CMPF), based at the Schuman Centre of the European University Institute, after a career as journalist, specialized in economic and social issues.

Her research in the media studies focuses on the economic dimension of media pluralism and media freedom. At CMPF Roberta contributes to the project “Monitoring media pluralism in the digital era” (Media Pluralism Monitor), where she is in charge of the Market Plurality area, focusing on media ownership concentration, media sustainability, digital markets, working conditions of journalists, public support to the media sector. She co-authors the national report of MPM for Italy. In 2022 she contributed to a study on Media plurality and diversity online, co-authoring the chapter on the online advertising market. She is a member of the Centre for a Digital Society, based at the Robert Schuman Centre.

Roberta holds a degree in Law (University of Rome La Sapienza) and a Master degree in Public Finance at CNR (Centro Nazionale Ricerche). As a journalist, she covered economy and public finance, job market, media, education, social and gender issues for several Italian media; she has been deputy editor-in-chief of the newspaper *il manifesto*, and of the weekly magazine *Pagina 99*. She makes regular contributions for the magazine *Internazionale* and for Rai Radio Tre. She co-founded *inGenere.it* (a web-magazine disseminating



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		<p>knowledge and expertise on Gender and Economics) and is a consultant for Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini. As an essayist, she has written several books, most recently “Come siamo cambiati. Gli italiani e la crisi” (Laterza, 2015).</p>
	 A portrait of Besar Likmeta, a man with glasses and a dark sweater, standing in front of a wall with several copies of the newspaper Reporter.al.	<p>Besar Likmeta</p> <p>Besar Likmeta has been the country editor for Balkan Investigative Reporting Network BIRN Albania since 2007, and serves as the editor in chief of its award-winning publication Reporter.al.</p> <p>He started his career reporting for the Florida Times Union in Jacksonville, Florida. He has been Albania correspondent for Balkan Insight and has also contributed stories to various publications including The Washington Post, The Christian Science Monitor, Global Post, Transitions Online and Foreign Policy.</p> <p>In 2009, Mr Likmeta received the CEI/SEEMO Award for Outstanding Merits in Investigative Journalism and in 2010 he was runner up to the Global Shining Light Award. Mr Likmeta studied philosophy at the University of North Florida.</p>
	 A portrait of Antonina Cherevko, a woman with blonde hair and glasses, wearing a blue denim jacket over a dark top.	<p>Antonina Cherevko</p> <p>Antonina Cherevko is an experienced human rights lawyer and international development expert with the specialisation in media law and long-term professional and academic focus on the issues of freedom of expression and media policy. She has over 17 years of professional experience in international development and management of democratisation projects in the areas of human rights, media policy and law reform.</p> <p>Antonina worked with organizations like the Council of Europe, International Media Support and ARTICLE 19. She is currently a Senior Adviser with the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media.</p> <p>Antonina’s thematic areas of expertise cover human rights (with the focus on freedom of expression and weaponization of information), rule of law, regional politics and hybrid threats, policy analysis, needs and risk assessment. Cherevko holds MA in Law from the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy in Ukraine and MSt in International Human Rights Law from the University of Oxford.</p>



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	<p>In 2020-2021, Antonina was a member of the Committee of Experts on Combating Hate Speech (ADI/MSI-DIS) of the Council of Europe. Between September 2020 and May 2022, Antonina served as a head of the Independent Media Council in Ukraine – an expert group established by the leading Ukrainian media NGOs with the goal of setting the standards of media self-regulation in the country.</p>
	<p>Slobodan Kremenjak</p> <p>Slobodan Kremenjak is an attorney and is a Partner and Head of Technology, Media and Telecommunications department with the Živković Samardžić law firm in Serbia. He specializes in Media and Telecommunications and is a long-standing legal adviser to several established Serbian and international telecom operators, broadcast, print, and online media and their associations. Slobodan served as a policy advisor to the Serbian government concerning the harmonization of national legislation with the ECHR case law, relevant CoE treaties, and standard-setting instruments in the field of media and the EU regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services.</p>



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Anida Sokol

Anida Sokol is a media researcher, coordinator of media research projects and trainer from Mediacentar Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. She is the author of various research studies on the media in BiH and the Western Balkans, including on regulation of harmful content online, media financing from public budgets, media trust, propaganda, disinformation and hate speech. She holds a PhD from the Faculty of Political Science, Sapienza University Rome. Anida has worked as a lecturer on Politics and the Media and Political Communication at the Sarajevo School of Science and Technology and Burch University in Sarajevo. She holds training courses on verification of information, media literacy, hate speech, solutions journalism and ethical standards in journalism. She writes articles on journalism and the media for media.ba.




Aneta Spaić

Dr Aneta Spaić was born on 27 September 1981 in Nikšić, where she completed elementary school. Diploma of international baccalaureate in high school has been given to her by United World College in Trieste, Italy. In 2004, she graduated from the Law Faculty in Podgorica, graduating with top honours (having an average grade of ten). While studying, she was awarded by the city of Podgorica, School of Law and University, several awards and the Charter of the University of Montenegro as best student of the University and Law School. After her Bachelor's degree in law, she pursued her Masters in Law at Kyushu University (Fukuoka, Japan) as a scholar of the Japanese Government.

In 2004 she was elected for a teaching assistant and worked as the administrative assistant in Centre for Human Rights. About the same time, she became a laureate of the Montenegrin Academy of Science and Art. In 2009, she obtained her PhD from the Law Faculty of University of Montenegro in Podgorica. In December of the same year, she was elected for arbitrator of the International Arbitration Court attached to Chamber of Commerce, and conferred the academic title of assistant professor at the University of Montenegro, Faculty of Law. In 2010 she was appointed for the national correspondent by Government of Montenegro in UNCITRAL. In 2011 she became a member of Centre for Young Scientists of Montenegrin Academy of Science and Art, and in 2014 a member of Global Young Academy. In May 2015 she was conferred the rank



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		<p>of associate professor, and became full professor in July 2019, at University of Montenegro, Faculty of Law. In May of 2019 she assumed the position of the dean of the Law School University of Montenegro.</p> <p>She serves as the Member of the Complain Commission of Media self regulation, President of Montenegrin branch of the International Legal Association in London, Member of the Scientific board of University of Montenegro. For three years she was the Member of the Prosecutor Council and member of the Committee for monitoring the attacks on the journalists.</p> <p>She gave lectures/speeches on various legal issues with the focus on the human rights, freedom of expression, hate speech and privacy. In addition, she experienced teaching law on foreign law schools and undergraduate forums. She is the (co) author of monographs entitled Media Law in Montenegro published by Kluwer International, Strengthening the role of media in advancing criminal justice in Montenegro, New Lex Mercatoria and Termination of Sale Contract, Mediation in Commercial Disputes, Legal Aspects of Mitigating Risks in Project Finance and writer of significant number of articles in the scientific, professional international and national journals.</p>
		<p>Jennifer Jackson-Preece</p> <p>Jennifer Jackson-Preece is Associate Professor of Nationalism at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Dr Jackson-Preece is an expert on problems and practices of nationalism, minorities and migration, and has published extensively on these topics in books, journals and blogs. She also has an established track record as a policy advisor to governments, international organisations and NGOs, and previously cooperated with the OSCE HCNM on the <i>Ljubljana Guidelines on Integration of Diverse Societies</i> (2012), the <i>Graz Recommendations on Access to Justice for National Minorities</i> (2017) and the <i>Tallinn Guidelines on National Minorities and the Media in the Digital Age</i> (2019).</p>



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Sejla Maslo Cerkcic

Sejla Maslo Cerkcic is working for the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) as a National Legal Officer, Human Rights, since 2018. Previously, her professional engagement has been in the field of academic research and teaching at the Faculty law in Mostar. Since 2020, she has been teaching a Master's course on the Contemporary Challenges in International Human Rights Law at the Faculty of Law of Tallinn University.

Ms. Cerkcic holds an MSc Diploma in Comparative law and legal history from the Faculty of Law of the Sarajevo University and a PhD degree in law from the “Džemal Bijedić” University of Mostar.

Within her work at the OSCE Mission to BiH, she focuses on legal advising on fundamental freedoms, including freedom of expression and the media, and freedom of religion or belief. In her everyday work, she enjoys cooperating with various stakeholders including state actors, other international organisations, civil society, the media and university students. She is also engaged in project planning and implementation, strategic advocacy, capacity building and awareness raising activities in human rights.

She also supervises programme officers who work in the area of human rights. Her academic and professional interests include contemporary challenges in human rights law and fundamental freedoms, as well as conflict prevention and mediation.



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Katarina Zrinjski

Ms. Zrinjski has been working on projects promoting peacebuilding and reconciliation in the Balkans since 2010. As a project manager in the Balkan Investigative Reporting Network in Bosnia and Herzegovina - BIRN BiH for the past nine years, she has broadened her knowledge and scope of work to security and corruption topics.

She has expertise in project management in media sector and high analytical skills. In addition, she has participated in numerous conferences and seminars regarding international politics and communication.



Jakov Leon



Jakov I. Leon is a content creator and supervising editor with 30+ years of experience in the media industry around the globe, currently engaged as an audience engagement and development specialist, supporting DW's editorial team.

In the past ten years, Leon has also worked as a digital media consultant with DW Akademie, closely cooperating with Public Broadcasters in Eastern and South-eastern Europe, Asia, and Africa, mainly focusing on digital storytelling, news production and gathering, fact-checking, but also content production for children and young people.

Leon is familiar with all aspects of media ecosystems, as he started to work as a reporter and host in Print, Radio & TV in the 90s. Nevertheless, he shifted to the Online and Social Media environment, following trends and opportunities of new digital media platforms.



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	<p>Based in Cologne and Berlin, Leon's passion is format development, innovations, solutions journalism, and press freedom. He is a social media host at DW's Global Media Forum in Bonn and an event program manager of OSCE and DW's Brave New Media Forum in Belgrade.</p>
	<p>Bojana Mrkic</p> <p>Bojana Mrkic is a media and project management expert with 25 years of experience providing strategic leadership, editorial expertise and training to media and civil society, international development, and peacekeeping organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH). Throughout her career, she has directly managed teams of up to 20 staff, as well as a wide variety of expert consultants and project implementing agencies. Previously, she served as Communications Advisor at the European Union Special Representative in BiH, where she devised strategies to reach communities in remote areas, and managed multiple media development and anti-disinformation projects across the country. Ms Mrkic also spent five years with Al Jazeera Balkans where she helped create content and editorial strategies for developing stories with newsroom staff, editors, executive producers and correspondents. She started her career as radio news producer, researching and producing hundreds of features and news stories from communities all around Bosnia and Herzegovina.</p>
	<p>Jamie Wiseman Advocacy Officer - International Press Institute (IPI)</p> <p>Jamie Wiseman is the Advocacy Officer focusing on Europe at the International Press Institute (IPI), the world's oldest global media freedom, which is based in Vienna. As part of the press freedom team at IPI, he has worked on monitoring and advocacy across Europe, led campaigns and coordinated fact finding missions to different EU member states and candidate countries. His recent focus is on the threat posed to independent journalism and media pluralism in Europe by media capture. He leads IPI's work in the Media Freedom Rapid Response (MFRR) consortium. Before joining IPI he previously worked as a newspaper journalist in the UK, where he grew up. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Literature from the University of Liverpool and a Master's Degree in International Relations from the University of Leiden in the Netherlands.</p>



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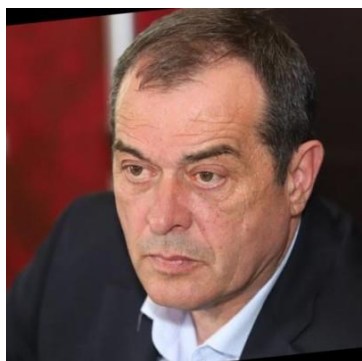


Maja Ficovic

Journalist from Kosovo

Maja Ficovic is a Master journalist Faculty of Political Sciences in Belgrade. She is a Doctoral student at the Faculty of Political Sciences in Belgrade - Department of Media and Communications and has 23 years of experience as a journalist and Radio producer. She has been holding a position of Executive Director of the NGO “Radio Mitrovica North” for 10 years, was a freelancer journalist for RFE/RL from Kosovo, is a certified programme manager in media, winner and recipient of numerous journalist awards in Serbia and the region.

Ms. Ficovic is a member of the executive board of the Association of Journalists of Serbia in Kosovo, member of the Kosovo Press Council, member of Association of Independent Broadcast Media of Kosovo (AMPEK Kosovo), member of International Federation of Journalists (IFJ)



Vojislav Raonic

Vojislav Raonic is a media expert with more than three decades of experience in journalism, management, international development projects, strategic communications, policy-making, diplomacy, and work with international organizations.

Recently he was engaged by the International Federation of Journalists as the team leader and the key expert of the four years EU-funded regional Program of Support to Public Service Media in Western Balkans. He served at the OSCE Presence in Albaina as a Senior Media Officer tasked with designing and implementing a media development plan.

He is one of the founders and CEO of the Montenegrin Media Institute, a roof media association devoted to professional journalists’ standards improvement and freedom of media in the country. During the violent disintegration of former Yugoslavia, the Belgrade Bureau Chief of WTN, than the leading global television news agency. Specialized in international telecommunications law at the London School of Economics, Raonic is a TV journalism lecturer at the University of Montenegro, and broadcast media expert with broad international experience. Raonic is also a diplomatic correspondent of TV Montenegro where he started his career as a reporter and foreign affairs editor.



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Dimitar Dimitrovski

Dimitar Dimitrovski, Media Assistant, OSCE Mission to Skopje

Dimitar Dimitrovski is a communications, development, and social policy professional with over a decade of experience in the tech start-up, non-profit, and international organization sectors. He holds an MSc in Social Policy and Development: NGOs from the London School of Economics and Political Science. Currently working at the OSCE Mission to Skopje, Dimitar is responsible for the media development portfolio, with a focus on improving the safety of journalists, media freedom, and media professionalization. His past experience also includes coordinating and working on international projects in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and the Asia-Pacific regions, in collaboration with Fortune 100 companies. His expertise covers communication for development, gender-sensitive communication, crisis communication, media development, career and soft skills development, conflict resolution and prejudice reduction, youth policy, and education.



Marina Lazarevska

Marina Lazarevska, Researcher and Media Festival Skopje Film Selector, Platform for Investigative Journalism and Analyses (PINA).

Marina Lazarevska is a programmer of Media Festival Skopje and one of the founding members of the Platform for Investigative Journalism and Analyses – PINA. A Macedonian media specialist for culture and cinema, Marina graduated with a degree in journalism. She is now working for multiple companies and festivals, assisting in innovative distribution strategies, programming, research and strategies, events, conferences and is a Macedonian correspondent for the online film magazine Filmneweurope.com focused on the film industry from Central and South-Eastern Europe.



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Zlatan Musić

Media Freedom Programme Officer at the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

Zlatan Musić holds the position of Media Freedom Programme Officer at the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, bringing with him a wealth of experience as a communication and media expert with a particular focus on press freedom. He has served in various capacities at the media offices of the European Union Special Representative in BiH, the Office of the High Representative, Organization for Security Co-operation in Europe, and Internews. With an outstanding track record of producing three TV documentaries in partnership with the Balkan Investigative Reporting Network in BiH, Zlatan has successfully implemented several media projects aimed at promoting media reporting on important subjects of public importance such as transitional justice, corruption, organized crime, and terrorism.

In his current role at the OSCE, Zlatan skillfully manages the Freedom of the Media portfolio by vigilantly monitoring attacks on journalists and media outlets, providing valuable strategic and policy guidance for the organization's engagement in media freedom, and designing impactful projects aimed at advancing the media landscape in BiH. Additionally, in 2022, he launched the annual Media Law School programme with the Faculty of Law at the University of Sarajevo and spearheaded the development of a specialized master's degree programme in media law.



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Daliborka Jankovic

Daliborka Jankovic works currently as Senior Adviser to the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media. She has over ten years of professional experience working in inter-governmental organizations or multilateral diplomatic missions. Her area of expertise is human rights and democratic governance. Daliborka Jankovic holds a Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Zurich and has completed additional training in civilian peacebuilding, international humanitarian and human rights law, and international media policy.



Velimir Delovski

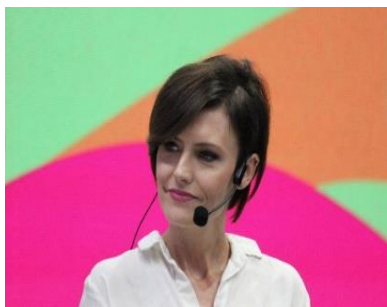
Velimir Delovski is a human rights lawyer who gained an extensive experience while working as Assistant Lawyer with the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights at Strasbourg, Associate with the Office of the Macedonian Government Agent before the ECtHR, as well as a consultant on various projects carried out by the OSCE, the Council of Europe and the AIRE Centre London, which aimed at improving the national implementation of the European Convention on Human Rights by capacity building of the relevant judicial institutions in N. Macedonia and in the Western Balkans region. Under the EU and the Council of Europe's Horizontal Facility project on Freedom of Expression and Freedom of Media (JUFREX 2) he adapted to the national context two online courses developed under the program for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals (HELP)- on freedom of expression and protection and safety of journalists. Moreover, he prepared a detailed review of the case-law of domestic courts in this area which provided specific recommendations on how to ensure full compliance of the national jurisprudence with the European standards. Velimir has also collaborated with the Association of Journalists of Macedonia on a project which focused on raising the awareness about the importance of proper and effective execution of the ECtHR judgments under Article 10 of the ECHR which concern journalists and other media professionals.



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Edina Šečerović

Edina Šečerović is a Sarajevo based media professional with over fifteen years of experience in editing and broadcasting television news of public importance. Balkan affairs connoisseur. In the past year, she particularly focused on the subject of Media Freedom, participated in workshops, wrote articles for domestic and foreign media and was one of the researchers on the project that resulted in the publication “Harmful Narratives during Elections: Discrediting Campaigns, Gender Stereotypes and Narratives of Hate”.



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