







International Conference

LESSONS LEARNED IN THE PANDEMIC: better communication, conquering disinformation, standing up for quality journalism in South East and Central Europe

3-4 November 2021

Belgrade, Hotel Mona Plaza

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- 17:00 17:30 Registration (please, be in time for security reasons)
- 17:00 17:30 Welcome drink
- 17:30 18:00 Opening speeches
 - Oliver Vujović, Secretary General, South East Europe Media Organisation
 - Hendrik Sittig, Head, Media Programme South East Europe, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung
 - Roberto Antonione, Secretary General, Central European Initiative
 - Noel Curran, General Director, European Broadcasting Union
- 18:00 18:15 Welcome Address
- 18:15 19:45 Discussion: Media and Politics in Serbia

Moderator: Veran Matic, Chairman of the Commission for investigating the killing of journalists in Serbia

- **19:45 20:00** Presentation of the CEI SEEMO Award for Outstanding Merits in Investigative Journalism
- 20:00 21:30 Dinner Reception

Thursday, 4 November 2021 (CET time)

- 09:30 09:45 Welcome note and opening
- 09:45 11:15 Panel I: BETTER COMMUNICATE: Dialogue between journalists and decision makers, tendencies of one-side communication

Moderator: Ognian Zlatev, Head of EC Representation Croatia

- 11:15 11:45 Coffee Break
- 11.45 12.00 Key note
- 12:00 13:30 Panel II: HOW TO STEER THE POWER: Disinformation, Fake-News, Fact-Checking

Moderator: Claudia Nothelle, Magdeburg-Stendal University of Applied Sciences, Magdeburg

13:30 - 14:15 Lunch

14:15 – 15:15 Wake up Talk Topic: Virtual Reality/New forms of storytelling or Artificial Intelligence in Journalism

Speaker: Christiane Wittenbecher, Storyteller and Virtual Reality Expert

- 15:15 15:30 Special speaker
- 15:30 15:45 Coffee Break
- **15:45 16:15** Panel III: AND STILL PRESSURE GROWS: the necessity of quality journalism increases, so the pressure on journalists; SLAPP cases, lack of support

Moderator: Christian Mihr, Executive Director of Reporters without Borders Germany (RSF)

17:15 – 17:30 Closing remarks

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