The Belarusian Association of Journalists
The Norwegian Helsinki Committee
The Norwegian Union of Journalists

# **Professional Journalism and Human Rights**

The School of Human Rights for Journalists (Vilnius, City Gate Hotel, 2011, May, 03-07)

### The Course Program and Contents

### May 3, Tuesday

13.00 Arrival 14.00-15.00 Lunch

### 15.00 -16.00 The School Presentation. The Training Program.

Introduction to the Course. Trainers and Participants. Mr. Eduard Melnikau, BAJ Member of Board.

16.00-16.15 Coffee-break.

# 16.30 - 18.00 Legal Protection of Journalists in the Process of Information Search and Distribution. *Lecture*.

Trainer – Gary Paganajla, Belarusian Helsinki Committee.

**18.00 Dinner** 

# May 4, Wednesday

10.00 – 13.00 Journalist and investigation. *Lecture*.

Trainer - Mr. G.Stelmakh, «Legal initiative».

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

**14.00 – 18.30 Journalist and investigation.** *Practical Training.* 

Trainers – B.Zvozkau, S.Ustinov, A.Spiglazov.

16.30 Coffee-break

**18.30 Dinner** 

### May 5, Thursday

# 10.00 – 14.00 Constitutional civil right of personal correspondence and modern information technologies. *Lecture*

Trainer - Mr. Siarhei Kruchkou, TBM.

**12.00-12.30** Coffee-break

14.00 - 15.00 Lunch

15.00-17.00 Constitutional civil right of personal correspondence and modern information technologies. *Practical training*.

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### 17.00 – 18.00 Journalism and Human rights. Lecture.

Enver Djuliman, Norwegian Helsinki Committee, Head of Education Department.

**18.00** Dinner.

# May 6, Friday Norwegian Day

# 09.00-10.00 Norwegian Union of Journalists (NJ) and the organizations in Norwegian

Media. Speaker: Stein Svendsen, NJ advisor and negotiator.

**Topics**:- How the Union is organized;

- Two legs: Industrial/wages and professional/ethics/public service;
- The cooperation between publishers, editors and journalists to guard the legal, political and economic frames for media in the Norwegian society.

# 10.00-11.00 The Norwegian Press Association (NP), cooperation for a common ethic code and Press Complaint Commission (PCC). Speaker: Stein Svendsen.

**Topics:-** NP as an umbrella organization for publishers, editors and journalists;

- PCC as an industry ethic self-rule commission.

### 11.00-11.30 Coffee-break

### 11.30-12.30 The Norwegian code of ethics. A brief introduction to main structure and ideas.

Introduction: Stein Svendsen, Supplemented by:

Anbjørg Bakken, former Moscow correspondent, Aftenposten;

Eiliv Frich Flydal, Dagbladet Digital.

**Topics**: - The practical rules for proper conduct in journalism;

- Respect for the individual right to privacy;
- The demand to be unbiased;
- Keeping integrity and trust in public;
- Always base facts on multiple and/or controllable sources.

# 12.30-13.00 Reflections of the different realities of working as a journalist in Post-Soviet societies and Norway. Reflections around professional relations to sources.

Speaker: Anbjørg Bakken

#### 13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

# 14.00-15.00 How to find and treat sources and still keep a professional distance.

Importance of integrity in the role as a professional and reliable journalist.

Speaker: Anbjørg Bakken

# 15.00-15.30 Anonymous sources

Speaker: Anbjørg Bakken

**Topics:**- Without them many important stories would remain be untold;

- But when sources remain anonymous, journalists' credibility weakens;
- How and when should we use unnamed sources?

### 15.30-16.00 Coffee-break

### 16.00-16.30 My experiences from reporting from Minsk

Speaker: Eiliv Frich Flydal.

# 16.30-17.30 Internet as tool, source and disguise.

Speaker: Eiliv Frich Flydal.

### 17.30-18.00 Drama with dilemmas.

A kind of training session with dilemmas that requires decisions – and continuous discussions of right and wrong in daily journalistic life

Trainer: Anbjørg Bakken, supplemented by Eiliv Frich Flydal

# May 7, Saturday

# 10.00-11.00. Daily life, challenges and demands for a Norwegian Freelance Journalist.

A brief introduction to professional, legal and practical framework for unemployed freelance journalists.

Speaker: Stein Svendsen

# 11.00-12.00 Internet Workshop.

Mutual discussions and demonstrations of digital tips, tricks and opportunities Trainer: Eiliv Frick Flydal

# 12.00-12.30 Final words, questions and answers to and from Norwegian colleagues

### 12.30-13.00 Evaluation

Enver Djuliman, Norwegian Helsinki Committee Head of Education Department

13.00 Lunch.

14.00 Departure.