



**EFJ / RUJ Seminar:
The European Federation of Journalists goes East**

MOSCOW

Venue: Moscow Central House of Journalist (Nikitsky boulevard 8A)

Day I – 1st October 2012

9.30 Welcome and opening
Vsevolod Bogdanov, RUJ President

9.45 Introduction: current challenges of the EFJ
Arne König EFJ President

10.00 Session 1. EFJ defending trade union rights

General activities of the EFJ expert groups
Marc Gruber, EFJ Director

Labour rights and collective agreements, incl. EFJ database
Yannis Kotsifos; LAREG co-Chair
Marinka Boljkovac, TUCJ, Croatia
Dragana Cabarkapa, JUS, Serbia
Berhan Soner, TGS, Turkey

Discussion

12.00 Session 2. Journalists and labour laws: how to enforce what is on the paper

Alan Pelce, *Senior specialist on international labour standards, ILO regional office for Eastern Europe and Central Asia*

Discussion

13.00 Lunch



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14.30 Session 3. From local to global: cooperation of EFJ members

Freelances: the future of journalism? Problems, strategies and expertise.

Arne König, FREG

Zhanna Litvina, BAJ, Belarus

Yuryi Lukanov, IMTU, Ukraine

Discussion

15.45 Coffee break

16.00 A solidarity strategy for a diverse environment

EFJ support for solidarity networks through the region

Case study 1. Tamara Cautsidis, *MJMWTU Macedonia*, on Sub-regional network in SEE

Case study 2. Ercan Ipekci/Marc Gruber/Arne König, on EFJ Campaign on jailed journalists in Turkey

How can the EFJ work better with affiliates in Europe?

Stephen Pearse, EFJ General Secretary

18.00 Conclusions and end of meeting

Safety and Journalists' Rights Conference

Day II October 2, 2012

09.45 Welcome and opening

10.00 The State of Press Freedom Across the OSCE region (moderator: Oliver Money-Kyrle)

Key Note Speech Dunja Mijatovic, OSCE

National Reports on Press freedom – Highlighting the immediate challenges

Belarus – Andrei Bastunets

Ukraine – Oleg Nalyvaiko

Moldova – Antonina Sarbu



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Azerbaijan – Mushfig Alerskeli
Armenia – Asghik Gevorgyan
Russia – Ashot Djazoyan

Henrikas Yushkiavitsus, UNESCO

Discussion

11.30 Coffee

12.00 Journalism and Political Activists – Focus Russia (moderator: Nadezhda Azgikhina)

Victoria Ivleva – Photographer – Film on Reporting the Russian Election Protests

Speakers:

Ludmila Alexeyeva, Moscow Helsinki Group

Alexey Simonov, Glasnost Defense Foundation

Galina Arapova, Center of Media Rights Protection

Discussion: How do journalists report on campaigns that support their own rights and interests?

13.30 Lunch

14.30 Reporting Conflict in the Caucasus - threats and opportunities NA(moderator: Adrien Collin)

Svetlana Svistunova - Film on reporting Conflicts in the Caucasus

Speakers:

Ali Kamalov, Dagestan RUJ branch

Biyakay Magomedov, Russia, “Chernovik” newspaper

Grigory Shvedov, “Caucasian knot”

Mushfiq Alasgarli, Azerbaijan

Astghik Gevorgyan, Armenia

16.00 Coffee



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16.15 Threats to Investigative Journalists in the region (moderator: John Crowfoot)

Speakers:

John Crowfoot, Russian Impunity database

Oksana Romaniuk – safety handbook author and specialist on threats to investigative journalists

Leonid Nikitinsky, Novaya Gazetta

Discussion

Summary of first Day: Nadezhda Azgikhina

18.00 Safety film/handbooks presentations

Igor Chaika Presentation of safety film and handbooks presentation.

19.00 End Day Two

Day III - October 3, 2012

09.30 Devising Union Solidarity Strategies for journalists rights, conditions and safety

Working Groups

1. Trade union and labour rights – fighting poverty in journalism
2. Press freedom and journalists independence
3. Safety and impunity
4. Government interference and independence

11.00 Coffee

11.30 Challenges for journalists Unions, facing down the authorities and building membership

Moderator: Arne Konig

Key Note speech: Mikhail Fedotov, RUJ Secretary



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How can we as unions improve our ability and effectiveness at promoting our members interests in the respective field?
Nationally, sub regionally, Europe-wide and globally?

Discussion

13.00 Lunch and End



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