

FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA AND SAFETY OF JOURNALISTS IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND IN THE OSCE REGION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DIGITAL AGE

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Conference venue: Radisson Collection Hotel

(2/1 Kutuzovskiy Avenue Bld. 1, Moscow)

09.00 – 09.30 REGISTRATION

09.30 – 10.30 OPENING PLENARY

Harlem Désir, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Sergey Lavrov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

Moderator: **Sergey Brilev**, Deputy Director, TV Channel “Rossiya”

10.30 – 12.00 SESSION 1: Freedom of the Media and Media Pluralism in Russia and in the OSCE Region

Panellists:

Tatiana Moskalkova, High Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation

Diana Kachalova, Editor-in-Chief, Novaya Gazeta in Saint-Petersburg newspaper

Ivan Golunov, investigative Journalist, Meduza news website

Elena Chernenko, Deputy Head of Foreign Policy Unit, Kommersant newspaper

Kirill Vyshinsky, Executive Director, Rossiya Segodnya international information agency

Alexander Zharov, Head of the Federal Service for Supervision of Communications, Information Technology and Mass Media (Roskomnadzor)

Moderator: **Sergey Brilev**, Deputy Director, TV Channel “Rossiya”

12.00 – 12.30 COFFEE BREAK

12.30 – 14.00 SESSION 2: Safety of Journalists: New Challenges and Responses

Panellists:

Mikhail Fedotov, Co-Chair of the Media Community Chamber of the Press Complaints Public Collegium, Secretary of the Russian Union of Journalists

Nadezhda Prusenkova, Head of Press Service, Novaya Gazeta newspaper

Vladimir Solovyev, Chair, Russian Union of Journalists

Svetlana Kuzevanova, Senior Media Lawyer, NGO Mass Media Defence Centre (Voronezh)

Igor Rudnikov, Editor and Founder of the Noviye Kolyosa newspaper (Kaliningrad)

Anna Knishenko, special correspondent, RT news channel

Andrei Jvirblis, Moscow correspondent of Reporters Without Borders

Moderator: **Nadezhda Azhghikhina**, Executive Director, PEN Moscow

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14.00 – 15.00 LUNCH

15.00 – 16.30 **SESSION 3: Fake News, Disinformation: how to tackle them, including through Internet regulation, and international standards on freedom of expression**

Panellists:

Leonid Levin, Chair of the Committee on Information Policy, Information Technologies and Communication, State Duma

Elizaveta Osetinskaya, Founder of The Bell online news project

Maria Zakharova, Director of the Information and Press Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

Ilya Shepelin, Host of the Fake News program, Dozhd television channel

Pavel Gusev, Editor-in-Chief, Moskovskii Komsomolets newspaper

Moderator: **Anton Krasovsky**, journalist, Director of AIDS.CENTER Foundation

16.30 – 17.00 COFFEE BREAK

17.00 – 18.30 **SESSION 4: Media Self-Regulation, Fact-checking and the Role of Journalism, Ethical Standards and Media Literacy**

Panellists:

Alexey Pushkov, Chair of the Committee on Information Policy and Cooperation with the Media, Federation Council of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation

Alexander Gorshkov, Editor-in-Chief, Fontanka.ru news website (Saint-Petersburg)

Tasha Sokolova, Editor, Monitor.Media fact-checking platform

Victoria Polikarpova, Head of International News Desk, Sputnik news agency

Yurii Pogorelyi, Director of Internet Projects, Interfax news agency

Moderator: **Anna Kachkayeva**, Professor, Director of the Centre for Digital Culture and Media Literacy with Higher School of Economics, Member of the Public Chamber for Press Complaints

18.30 – 19.00 CLOSING PLENARY

Closing remarks:

Harlem Désir, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

19.00-20.00 RECEPTION

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