Call for Contributions to EJTA Teachers' Conference 2019

Journalism in a Global Context: Connecting Africa and Europe in Journalism Education

October 17-18, 2019, Dortmund, Germany

The 2019 Teachers' Conference aims at building bridges between journalism educators in Europe and Africa. In close partnership with the Africa Institute for Media, Migration and Development (AIMMAD) and the African Media Initiative (AMI), and thanks to generous funding from the Robert Bosch Stiftung, we will be able to invite 10-15 colleagues from African countries. **Collaboration and cross-border activities in the field of international coverage, media research, and journalism education** will thus be at the heart of the conference.

In recent years, collaboration – and notably cross-border collaboration has become a more and more crucial element in journalism. Journalists increasingly work together with journalists from other media and partners such as users, NGOs or foundations. International research consortiums have investigated social wrongs of global scope in vast projects such as the 'Panama Papers'. More and more journalism educators have taken these important developments into account and have included aspects of collaboration and cross-border journalism into their curricula. EJTA itself has initiated the EUfactcheck project as an international training programme for journalism students.

The aim of the conference is to discuss why, how and with whom journalists, media and educators should collaborate – and which challenges they meet. We welcome presentations on **both academic and practical projects and initiatives** dealing with **collaborative journalism** from different perspectives – e.g. cross-border collaborative education projects of journalism schools or transnational journalistic research consortiums. Preferably, but not necessarily contributions should deal with cross-continental projects, e.g. between European and African partners. In addition, we welcome contributions dealing with questions of **migration coverage** as a potential, yet rather underdeveloped realm of cross-border collaboration in the field of journalism and journalism education.

We highly encourage presentations on initiatives or research **under progress**, as we plan to provide a forum for discussion and fruitful exchange on ongoing projects. We also welcome contributions from our African partners.

Abstracts should be between **500 and 1,000 words** and should include all relevant information on the project, initiative or research to be presented. All abstracts will be published in a book of abstracts available to download online.

Please note that although we encourage all conference participants to submit abstracts, this is **optional for EJTA members**. If you are an EJTA member and wish to attend without presenting a contribution, please submit only the registration form. If you are unsure whether you are linked to any institution as an institutional member, feel free to contact EJTA at <u>info@ejta.eu</u>

Deadline for registration and **abstract submission** is **September 6th, 2019** (23:59 CET). Please register and submit your abstract online at <u>https://brost.ifj.tu-dortmund.de/projekte/ejta-teachers-conference-2019/</u>

Decisions on acceptance of abstracts will be communicated to applicants in due time.

