

Media background talk

Reporting on origins of flight, terrorism and radicalism

Since months flight, terrorism and radicalism are the top news in the media. Why? Are only bad news the 'good' news? How do journalists deal with those topics? How has the profession changed? What are current opportunities and challenges for journalists, if they want to do better? How do journalists influence the public opinion?

And journalists are not only observing, they are already refugees themselves. Many media workers had to leave their countries or are not able to work in their home regions. Why are journalists fleeing their countries? What possibilities exist to work from abroad?

We'd like to discuss these and other questions with the Turkish journalist **Sevgi Akarcesme** (ZAMAN) and the British journalist **Fatima Manji** (BBC) during an exclusive background talk for journalists the evening before the opening of the this years European Media Freedom Conference of the ECPMF.

The mdr-info journalist **Ine Dippmann** will facilitate the discussion. The interview will be conducted in English with an interpreter available for translation into German.

When: **Wednesday, Oct. 5th, 2016 from 7-9 pm**

Where: **Mediencampus Villa Ida, Leipzig School of Media, Foyer, Poetenweg 28, 04155 Leipzig**

Due to limited number of participants, please register by sending us an email to: claudia.weiss@engagement-global.de until September 28th, 2016.

For individual interview inquiries please contact the ECPMF via press@ecpmf.eu or via +49 341 20040315

We're looking forward to welcoming you on October 5th, 2016!

Some background facts:

- According to the United Nations 65,3 million people have been forced from home in 2015 - all over the world.
- Among them are nearly 21.3 million refugees, of which Europe hosts 4.4 million and Turkey alone 2.5 million.
- Source: <http://www.unhcr.org/figures-at-a-glance.html>