

AGENDA OF THE ICSJ CONFERENCE



DAY 01 | SATURDAY September 21st

09.30-10.00	Registration
10.00-10.10	Opening Remarks
10.10-10.20	Address Speeches
10.20-10.30	Welcome and Introduction to the Conference

10.30-11.30 PANEL 01

Safety for Journalists in Europe. An overview, initiatives and best practices.
Moderator: Sotirios Triantafyllou, President of Panhellenic Federation of Journalists Unions-(PFJU)

- The example of Greece: The Task Force on the Protection, Safety and Empowerment of Journalists and Other Media Professionals
Dr. Aikaterini Mantzou, Media Policy Expert, SG for Communication & Media
- “Journalists Matter” – Presentation of the Greek participation in the Council of Europe’s Campaign for the Safety of Journalists
Ms. Aikaterini Polyzou, MA, Head of Department for Audiovisual Media & Internet, SG for Communication & Media
- OSCE
Cecilia Lagomandro
Media Freedom Project Officer
- European Federation of Journalists
Maja Sever
President, European Federation of Journalists (remotely)

11.30-12.00 Coffee break – Family photo

12.00-13.00 PANEL 02

Safety in Conflict Zones: Examining the unique risks faced by journalists reporting from conflict zones and discussing measures to ensure their safety and well-being.
Moderator: Yannis Kotsifos, journalist, director, Journalists Union of Macedonia and Thrace

- Legal Aspects
Vasilis Zalidis, PhD, Military Legal Advisor
Aris Messinis, photojournalists, AFP
Chris Dalby, director at World of Crime

13.00-13.30 THE RESEARCHERS’ PERSPECTIVE | Moderator: Erasmia Tsipou, ICSJ

- CONFLICT:
Athina Simatou, PhD
Pantelis Vatikiotis: “A human rights-based methodology for reporting on journalists’ safety in war”
- CONFLICT - THREATS:
Ahić Jasmin, Dr. Full Professor, Dean:
“Journalist Safety in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Historical Perspective and Contemporary Challenges”

13.30-14.30 Lunch break

14.30-15.30 PANEL 03

Trauma Journalism: Understanding the psychological impact of reporting on traumatic events, and discussing strategies for supporting journalists’ mental health and well-being.
Moderator: Pantelis Vatikiotis, Associate Professor, Director of Journalism Lab (J-Lab)

- Chris Dalby, director at World of Crime
- Lefteris Pitarakis, AP Chief Photographer, Turkey

15.00-16.15 THE RESEARCHERS’ PERSPECTIVE | Moderator: Ilias Nikezis, ICSJ

- TRAUMA: Dr. Rabia Noor, University of the Punjab, Lahore: “Mental Health Challenges in Journalism: Exploring Trauma, Coping Strategies, and Support Dynamics among Pakistani Journalists”
- TRAUMA: Janvi Singh, Hyderabad Central University: “Studying Second Hand Trauma in Journalism through the lenses of Digital Zemiology”
- TRAUMA: Dr. Soumaya Berjeb, Institute of Press and Sciences of Information (IPSI): “Journalists’ Testimonies: Challenges of Covering the Ukraine and Gaza Wars and Strategies for Managing Trauma”

16.15-16.30 Wrap up of the day

DAY 02 | SUNDAY September 22nd

08.50-09.00 | Welcome coffee

09.00-10.00 PANEL 01

Hate Speech against Journalists: Exploring the intersection of gender, race, and other identities with journalists’ safety, and discussing inclusive approaches to protecting all journalists.
Moderator: Fragonikolopoulos Christos, Professor, Dept. of Journalism and Mass Media Communication, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

- Elodie Vialle, Press Freedom Defender (remotely)
- Professor Nikos Panagiotou, ICSJ
- Sofia Papadopoulou, journalist AMNA

10.00-10.30 THE RESEARCHERS’ PERSPECTIVE | Moderator: Yorgos Karayorgos, ICSJ

- THREATS: Khonsari Shahriar: “Navigating Threats: The Safety and Security of Journalists in Iran Amidst Political and Digital Repression.”
- DISINFO: Eva Anastasiadou, Reporters Without Borders

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

11.00-12.00 PANEL 02

Covering Crisis and Disasters Moderator: Filios Stagos, Journalist, ERT3 General Director

- Giannis Giannakopoulos, Vice President Journalistic Union of Thessaly, Eubea, Central Greece
- Elena Apostolidou, journalist, Greek Public Broadcaster (ERT)
- Lefteris Pitarakis, AP Chief Photographer, Turkey
- Ilias Nikezis, PhD, ICSJ

12.00-12.30 THE RESEARCHERS’ PERSPECTIVE | Moderator: Ilias Nikezis, ICSJ

- TRAUMA- EMOTION: Lambrini Papadopoulou, Ioannis Angelou, Anastasia Katsaounidou: “Reporting in the Permacrisis: Trauma, Safety, and the Impact on Journalism in Southern Europe”
- CONFLICT: Ioanna Georgia Eskiadi: “Promoting Peace Through Immersive 360° Video: Enhancing Empathy and Understanding in Conflict Reporting”

12.30-13.00 Conclusions-Recommendations

SAFEGUARDING JOURNALISTS: MAPPING THE FIELD

Ensuring safety in
critical moment



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