



Newsletter April 2019

1. WJEC5 Paris

From 9 to 11 July 2019 the [5th World Journalism Education Congress](#) will be held at the Dauphine University in Paris. Many EJTA colleagues will be presenting as part of the programme, not least the latest on the EUFactcheck (see below) and the final EJTA research report on “Journalistic Roles, Values and Qualifications in the 21st century”, that will be presented at a panel on Thursday afternoon July 11th.

[REGISTER NOW](#) to get the early bird tariff of 295 Euro (instead of 384 Euro)!

2. AGM EJTA Paris

Prior to the start of the WJEC5, on **Monday 8th July, from 15.30 to 17.30 h**, EJTA will have a short but important Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the Dauphine University. The Agenda and Documents will be sent to you in week 20.

AGM:

1. Opening/Minutes AGM 2018 Barcelona

2. Report of the President
 3. Change formal seat of EJTA
 4. Projects
 5. New members
 6. EJTA management structure
 7. Election Board member
 8. Presentation upcoming conferences
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3. New members

At the AGM in Paris we will welcome three new members:

1. National Research Lobachevsky State University of Nizhny Novgorod
2. Newcastle University
3. KU Leuven, Campus Brussels

Several other institutes have shown interest, but they will apply later this year.

4. Europe and Africa

Please find herewith a link with information about the [EJTA Teachers' Conference in October](#) in Dortmund. This conference will focus on collaboration between European and African Schools of Journalism. This information is about:

- The programme
- A call for panel membership.
- A call for Tandems

About the call for Tandems:

“The Erich Brost Institute for International Journalism at TU Dortmund University, Germany, and its partners AIMMAD – Africa Institute for Media, Migration and Development –, the African Media Initiative (AMI), and the European Journalism Training Association (EJTA) **invite EJTA members to participate in our tandem program for fellow African journalism educators**, ensuing this year’s EJTA Teachers’ Conference in Dortmund. The goal is to strengthen individual networks between European and African journalism trainers after the conference.

Our funds allow us to send our African colleagues for an additional short trip (2 days – scheduled for October 22/23) to EJTA member institutes after the conference has taken place. All travel costs including visa, accommodation and board etc. will be covered by us.”

For further information: [download the call here](#)

5. EUFactcheck

The EUfactcheck Bootcamp, held in Utrecht on 24-25 January and sponsored by Evens Foundation, was very successful. Forty coaches worked with participants to ensure they are fully prepared to start factchecking with their students in the context of this May’s European Parliamentary Elections.



Production and activity is at a top rate from March to May, with 4 to 5 fact-checks and several blogposts per week by journalism students of almost 20 EJTA-schools. Everything is being coached by journalism staff and publications are monitored by the ever hard-working production team. Also our impact is growing with more than 2000 unique visitors of the site and regional and national media coverage in several countries (even CNN International interviewed us).

By the time the World Journalism Education Conference in Paris is held, the EU elections will have taken place and reflection on the project will be presented at the WJEC5. It is intended to publish a manual for journalism students in autumn 2019, which will highlight the use of the unique flowchart for factchecking that has been developed specifically for this project. For everybody who is interested in the flowchart: it is downloadable on our website (about us).

6. FEJS

The latest conference of the Forum for European Journalism Students has taken place in Antwerp (Annual Conference, 28 March till 2 April 2019) within the general theme 'Media and Diversity'. Board member Nadia Vissers talked about EJTA cooperation and EUfactcheck to the students and tries to structure the communication channels with FEJS. The next FEJS conference will be in Helsinki where a new Board will be elected in which one member will be responsible for the cooperation with EJTA.

If you want to be informed about the FEJS activities or if you have any questions, you can reach the FEJS Executive Board on their [website](#) or via their social networks: [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [Twitter](#) or by sending an [email](#).

7. Mobility catalogue

The EJTA Secretariat has tried to update the information/weblinks that are in the [new Mobility Catalogue](#). All members were asked to check if the information about their international programmes is still up to date. A double check will be organised during AGM in Paris.

8. Membership fee invoices 2019

The deadline for payment of membership fees has just passed, on March 15th 2019. We know that sometimes institutions can be slow in processing payments, if yours has not been received by the EJTA office we will contact you individually.

9. Formal seat of EJTA

For many years the official seat of EJTA has been at the European Journalism Centre in Maastricht. Last year EJC decided to end its membership, and to avoid complex juridical issues we needed a Dutch member to take over the official EJTA seat. We are very grateful to our colleagues in Utrecht who were willing to take over.

The address now of our formal seat is: Hogeschool Utrecht | Heidelberglaan 15, 3584 CS Utrecht | Postbus 85029, 3508 AA Utrecht.

The actual seat (secretariat, visiting address) remains in Mechelen at Thomas More University of Applied Sciences | Media School | Campus De Ham | Raghenoplein 21bis | 2800 Mechelen | Belgium.

10. Upcoming Events

EJTA Conferences

- **EJTA AGM and Conference 2019 (as part of WJEC5)**
Paris, 8-11 July 2019
[WJEC conference website](#)
- **EJTA Teachers' Conference 2019**
Dortmund, 17-18 October 2019
- **EJTA AGM and Conference 2020**
Vienna
- **EJTA Teachers' Conference 2020**
Chelyabinsk

Members that would like to organise an AGM-Conference or a Teachers' Conference in 2021 or 2022 are warmly invited to address their proposal to the President of EJTA, Nico Drok, via [e-mail](#).

Events from member institutions and other organisations

- ***International Journalism Festival 2019***
Perugia, 3 - 7 April 2019
- ***European Investigative Journalism Conference and Data Harvest 2019***
Mechelen, 16 - 19 May 2019

If you want to inform EJTA-members about an event you're organising within the context of Journalism Education, please send a message to the secretariat and we'll publish it on the site and in the Newsletter.

11. Future e-mails and GDPR

As you probably are aware, the new data protection legislation came into force on 25th May 2018. It aims to protect the privacy of all EU citizens and prevent data breaches. It applies to any public or private organisation processing personal data.

One of the current discussions is how non-profit associations should deal with this new law and process the data protection guidelines. Since this process is ongoing and still rather unclear, you will be informed at a later stage.

Meanwhile, if you wish to no longer receive our e-mails or would like to be removed from our database, please send a message to our [EJTA Secretariat](#)