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**CONFERENCE ON
MEDIA FREEDOM
AND THE SECURITY OF JOURNALISTS**

organised by

**the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)
Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media**

in collaboration with

**the Committee on Culture, Education and Communication
of the French Senate**

**4 December 2014
Clémenceau room, Palais du Luxembourg,
15 rue de Vaugirard, 75006 Paris**

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Opening session

(9.00 – 10.00)

Opening speeches

- Ms Catherine Morin-Desailly, Chairperson of the Committee on Culture, Education and Communication of the French Senate
- Ms Anne Brasseur, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Signature of the Memorandum of Understanding for the creation of an Internet platform to promote the protection of journalists

- Mr Laurent Fabius, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Development of France and/or Ms Fleur Pellerin, Minister of Culture and Communication of France [*tbc*]
- Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- Representative of the Chair of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe [*tbc*]

Opening

- Ms Ana Guțu, Chairperson of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media of the PACE

Session 1: Reinforcing the protection of journalists against physical attacks

(10.00 – 11.30)

Moderator: Mr Gérard Davet, *Le Monde* (France)

Speakers:

- Mr Claudio Fava, Vice-President of the parliamentary committee on the fight against the mafia, Chamber of Deputies (Italy)
- Ms Oksana Romaniuk, journalist, President of the Media Institut (Ukraine)
- Mr Andrey Lipsky, Deputy Editor of *Novaya Gazeta* (Russia)

Discussion

Session 2: Protecting journalists' and media freedom from misuse of the law

(11.30 – 13.00)

Moderator: Ms Liliane Landor, *British Broadcasting Corporation* (United Kingdom)

Speakers:

- Ms Amberin Zaman, journalist, *The Economist* (Turkey)
- Mr Jean-Paul Marthoz, journalist, Committee to Protect Journalists (Belgium)
- Mr Ales Bialiatski, Václav Havel Human Rights Prize Laureate 2013 (Belarus)

Discussion

Lunch [13.00 – 14.30]

Session 3: Towards an early warning and rapid response mechanism of the Council of Europe for the protection of media freedom and the security of journalists

(14.30 – 16.30)

Round-Table

Moderator: Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Speakers:

- Mr Gvozden Flego, Rapporteur of the PACE on the protection of media freedom in Europe
- Mr Jérôme Bouvier, Ombudsman of *Radio France*, founder and organiser of the “Assises du journalisme”
- Representatives of the parties to the Memorandum of Understanding for the creation of an Internet platform to promote the protection of journalists:
 - Mr Jim Boumelha, President, International Federation of European Journalists (Brussels)
 - Mr Mogens Blicher Bjerregård, President, European Federation of Journalists (Brussels)
 - Ms Lucie Morillon, Director of Programmes, Reporters without Borders (Paris)
 - Mr William Horsley, Vice-President and Media Freedom Representative, Association of European Journalists (London)
 - N.N., ARTICLE 19 (London)

Discussion

Closing of the Conference (16.30)