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Communications Coordination Committee for the United Nations (CCCUN)

Co-Sponsored by

National Writers Union, The Metro New York Labor Communications Council, and Co-Presented by PEN World Voices Festival

# In Commemoration of World Press Freedom Day Finding Security in Unsafe Passages United Nations Event about Protecting Journalists' Safety and Rights

Over the past decade, more than 700 journalists have been killed for bringing news and information to the public. However, only one in ten cases committed against media workers during that same time has led to a conviction. This impunity emboldens the perpetrators of the crimes and at the same time has a chilling effect on society including journalists themselves. This event will delve into the wide range of risks journalists face every day. Experts will offer physical safety tips, strategies for dealing with trauma, contract advice for protecting sources and copyrights and identifying cybersecurity risks. Attendees will gain an insider's view of international efforts to promote freedom of the press and end impunity for crimes against journalists.

Thursday, May 7, 2015
3:00-6:00 PM
U.N. Building Conference Room 11
New York City, NY
Please RSVP by May 2nd to cccun@optonline.net
Also indicate if you have a UN Grounds Pass or need a pass for the event

- 3:00 3:05 PM Film Clip -- "The Essence of Terror"
- 3:05 3:15 PM Opening Remarks Jon Williams -Moderator, ABC News Managing Editor, Internatnl News; Alexandria Faiz, NGO Rep, IFJ; Dr. Elizabeth Carll, President, CCCUN
- 3:15 3:25 PM Keynote Address H.E. Ms. Bénédicte Frankinet, Ambassador,
  Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations
- 3:25 4:10 PM Panel International Efforts to Protect Freedom of the Press and End Impunity for Crimes Against Journalists

H.E. Mr. François Delattre, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations; Ernest Sagaga, IFJ; Karin Deutsch Karlekar, PEN America

- 4:10 4:30 PM Presentation-Discussion New Research Findings about How Journalists Face Trauma Patrice Keats, Ph.D., Simon Fraser University, Canada
- 4:30 5:00 PM Interactive Safety Demonstration Frank Smyth, Founder and Executive Director, Global Journalist Security
- 5:00 5:45 PM Panel Protecting Sources, Copyright Infringement, and Cybersecurity Risks
  Herb Boyd, Award-Winning Freelance Reporter; Susan E. Davis, National Writers
  Union; Charles Seife, New York University
- 5:45 6:00 PM Closing

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#### **MODERATOR**



#### Jon Williams

Managing Editor for international news at ABC News. Prior to his current role with ABC News, Williams spent seven years as world editor at the BBC, where he managed a staff of 200 people in 30 different countries. As the executive running the BBC's field operations, Williams led crisis management teams following the murder of one colleague by terrorists and the five-month kidnap of another, which ultimately ended with his safe return

**KEYNOTE** 



#### H.E. Ms. Bénédicte Frankinet

Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations. Before her appointment as Belgium's ambassador to the UN in 2013, Ms. Frankinet was Ambassador to Israel since 2008, after she previously served as Director for the United Nations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Brussels from 2003. Ms. Frankinet holds degrees in political science, social science and journalism from the Free University of Brussels.

#### **PARTICIPANTS**



# H.E. Mr. François Delattre

Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations. Ambassador Delattre was appointed Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations on September 2, 2014, after serving as Ambassador of France to the United States (2011–2014), Ambassador of France to Canada (2008–2011), Consul General in New York (2004–2008) and Press and Communications Director at the French Embassy in Washington, D.C. (1998–2002).



## **Herb Boyd**

Award-winning author and journalist who has published a number of books and countless articles for national magazines and newspapers. His most recent publication is *The Diary of Malcolm X*, co-edited with Ilyasah Shabazz. *Black Detroit: A People's History* is forthcoming from Amistad Press. *Brotherman*, co-edited with Robert Allen of the journal *The Black Scholar*, received the American Book Award for nonfiction.



#### Dr. Elizabeth Carll

President of the Communications Coordination Committee for the United Nations (CCCUN) and UN Representative for the International Council of Women. She is a trauma and health psychologist, executive committee member and past chair and of United Nations NGO Committee on Mental Health and founder of the Media/ICT Working Group of the Committee and a former president of the Media & Technology Division of APA.



## Susan E. Davis

National Contract Advisor at the National Writers Union. She is the author of four nonfiction books on the arts and women's health, as well as a pro-choice novel, *Love Means Second Chances*. She is also a columnist for a progressive weekly. She has been a member of the National Writers Union since 1987, its National Contract Advisor since 2007, and a co-chair of its Book Division since 2005.



## Alexandria Faiz, O.P.

Trustee of the National Writers Union and ECOSOC NGO Representative for the International Federation of Journalists. She leads the communications committee for the UN Foundation's United Nations Association and has a monthly column about global affairs in eLumen, a regional Catholic newsletter. In 2014, she was recognized with first- and third-place journalism awards from the Metro NY Labor Communications Council.

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#### Karin Deutsch Karlekar

Director of PEN's Free Expression Programs. She focuses on global press freedom, digital rights, and broad freedom of expression issues. Prior to joining PEN, she served from 2001–15 as director of Freedom House's Freedom of the Press project, coordinating the production of a flagship annual report that tracks trends in global media freedom and rates every country in the world.



## **Dr. Patrice Keats**

Associate Professor in the Faculty of Education (Counseling Psychology Program) at Simon Fraser University. Her program of research and primary therapeutic practice is in the field of traumatic stress. She has conducted research, written, and presented scholarly papers on the constructs of vicarious witnessing and secondary traumatic stress in a variety of populations; journalism and trauma; and sexual and domestic abuse.



# **Ernest Sagaga**

Head, Human Rights at International Federation of Journalists. He deals daily with the conditions with which journalists work and fighting for their rights internationally. Prior to his position at IFJ, he was the Spokesperson for the International Criminal Court in The Hague and was a Journalist for the BBC World Service in London for seven years.



## **Charles Seife**

Professor of science, health, and environmental reporting at New York University. Before joining the Department of Journalism at NYU, Seife was a writer for *Science* magazine, specializing in physics and mathematics, and had been a United States correspondent for *New Scientist*. Seife's freelance work has appeared in *The Economist*, *Scientific American*, *The Washington Post*, and other publications.



#### Frank Smyth

Founder and Executive Director of Global Journalist Security. He is also Senior Adviser for Journalist Security at the Committee to Protect. He has covered armed conflicts, organized crime, and human rights abuses in many countries, including in Iraq, where he was imprisoned for 18 days in 1991. He has been awarded for both his investigative journalism and his service to the journalism community.