



## WORLD PRESS FREEDOM CONFERENCE 2020

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### **WPFC 2020 is a wrap!**

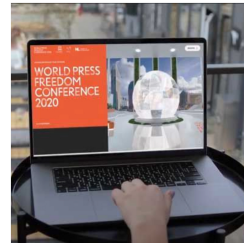
The World Press Freedom Conference was a unique experience to network with press freedom defenders from all around the world! During 2 days, viewers participated in interactive debates and watched interviews, previews and WPFC TV's recaps about the most pressing issues facing the media in these unprecedented times. They could also enjoy exhibitions curated by World Press Photo, and a #digitalcartoonwall from Cartoon Movement and Cartooning for Peace. The Conference also offered a great selection of films and documentaries on press freedom. For all of you who were part of this experience: a big thank you!

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### **Conference platform still available**

Haven't had the opportunity to follow all the sessions, watch films, download the session documents or visit our exciting online World Press Photo and cartoon exhibitions on our [conference platform](#)? No problem: the platform and its interactive features, like the cinema, exhibitions and library, will be available until 1 January 2021. And of course, all sessions held can be viewed on-demand: on the platform and on YouTube. Enjoy it while it lasts!

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### **Main results of WPFC 2020**

During the Conference, the Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs hosted an unprecedented and the largest ministerial meeting on press freedom, resulting in The Hague Commitment, a call upon States to undertake more concrete actions to safeguard press freedom and journalists. For instance, the Shelter City programme in the Netherlands, funded by the Dutch MFA, will be expanded. Over the next five years, two extra places a year will be offered to host journalists who have been [personally threatened](#). And an [endowment of €7 million](#) was

announced by Dutch Foreign Minister Stef Blok for the United Nations to enhance press freedom and safety of journalists worldwide.

### **Release of the Global Survey on Online Violence Against Women Journalists**

During the conference a special session was dedicated to the release and discussion of the findings of the [UNESCO's Global Survey](#) on Online violence against women journalists and effective measures to combat the problem. The study was undertaken in partnership with the International Center for Journalists (ICFJ).

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### **Legal Forum and training**

This year, UNESCO and the Netherlands have also launched a forum for judges, prosecutors, lawyers, legal experts and institutions. The forum's aim is to exchange practical experiences on protecting freedom of expression and the safety of journalists.

This [Forum of Legal Actors](#) is a joint initiative of UNESCO, Free Press Unlimited and the Asser Institute for International and European Law.

### **Thank you, Youth**

#### **Newsroom members!**

Thank you Adrian, Charmaine, Dena, Gabriele, Glenda, Jelena, Lisa Marie, Ljupko, Maram, Marijn, Nafkot, Plator, Sara, Sen and Žikica, for all your inspiring work! For tirelessly conducting interviews, making videos, blogs, podcasts, social media content and much, much more. View all fresh, creative productions on [Youthnewsroom.org](#). We wish you all the best in your (future) careers!

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### **WPF 2021 is coming home**

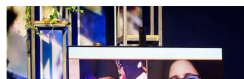
Next year's host country for World Press Freedom Day will be 'back home' in Windhoek! The 2021 commemoration will mark exactly 30 years since the development of the famous Windhoek Declaration on 3 May 1991 that paved the way for a free, independent and pluralistic press. See you there, and save the dates 1-3 May 2021 in Windhoek!

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### **WPFC Cartoon Collection**

Our host cartoonist Emanuele del Rosso, armed with pencils, paper and creativity, made a wonderful collection of striking cartoons throughout the whole conference. Check them out online at our website. Thank you [@EmaDelRosso](#) for inspiring us, for the many cartoons as a lasting memory of WPFC 2020!

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### **Playlists on YouTube**

The conference may be a wrap, but the sessions and other videos will be



available on the Unesco YouTube channel for your convenience. Check out these playlists, with sessions and short breaks, covering all topics of the conference:

- WPFC [Channel 1](#)
- WPFC [Channel 2](#)
- WPFC [Channel 3](#)
- WPFC [Channel 4](#)
- WPFC [Channel 5](#) - Annual Academic Conference
- [Wrap up videos](#) and special productions



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