

Power of the Pen - Roles and Responsibilities of Ethical Journalism

APPLICATION PERIOD NOW OPEN!

DURATION

3 days in April / May 2014, exact dates to be announced in early 2014

LOCATION

Accra, Ghana

TARGET GROUP

Individuals who have practiced principled journalism and currently work in the field of print, broadcast or photographic media

FEES

Tuition, travel and accommodation fees will be covered by IACA

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

English (interpretation in another UN language, if necessary)

CERTIFICATE AWARDED

Certificate of Completion

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a black pen, writing the words 'The Power of the Pen' in a cursive script. The background is a light, neutral color, and the lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the skin and the tip of the pen.

The Power of the Pen

NEW POWER OF THE PEN ROUNDTABLE TAKES PLACE IN APRIL/MAY 2014

IACA is proud to announce the call for applications for the Power of the Pen – Roles and Responsibilities of Ethical Journalism, catering to Sub-Saharan Africa. Applications close on 17 December 2013.

WHAT DOES THE POWER OF THE PEN OFFER?

Journalists have the duty and privilege to seek and report the truth, encourage civic debate, and serve the public interest. The Power of the Pen is a three-day roundtable which offers the opportunity to examine the obstacles and responsibilities of ethical journalism in today's global climate.

This year, the roundtable caters to Sub-Saharan Africa. It brings together journalists from the region to discuss and overcome challenges to fair and thorough investigative reporting in the field of corruption and develop best practices with local and international experts. The title of the roundtable event emanates from the historical concept that the pen is mightier than the sword.

HOW IS THE ROUNDTABLE STRUCTURED?

The Power of the Pen will run over the course of three days in April/May 2014 in Accra, Ghana. The exact dates are to be announced at the beginning of 2014. Topics to be addressed include the impact of corruption on fair and independent reporting, ethics, investigative reporting, the security of journalists and their sources, legal frameworks, and best practices.

The roundtable will also offer firsthand experiences of the inherent dangers in investigating the corrupt and the responsibility of both journalists and states in leveraging the power of the pen.

WHO CAN APPLY?

The roundtable is designed for 15 participants who have practiced principled journalism in Sub-Saharan Africa and currently work in the field of print, broadcast, or photographic media. Candidates must submit a complete application package, including a letter of motivation, curriculum vitae and examples of published work. Selections will be made on the basis of merit and diversity.

To hear about previous participants' experiences, check out the video on the first Power of the Pen, which targeted the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region.



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