



Call for participants

Intelwatch investigative journalism safety training program

Activity Name: *'Strengthening the human rights reporting capacities and safety of journalists in 7 Southern African countries through digital, physical and psychological threat mitigation strategies, capacity building, advocacy and awareness campaigns'*

Intelwatch, in collaboration with leading international experts, will be running a **comprehensive safety training program** in Johannesburg (for 4 days during the time frame 30 March - 7 April) for journalists and editors working in a selected 7 countries in the SADC region. Training modules include:

- Hostile Environment and Awareness Training
- Cybersecurity
- Tackling violence against women journalists
- How to deal with online harassment
- How to deal with legal harassment (SLAAP suits etc)
- Digital forensics
- Legal training on national, regional and African union redress and legal mechanisms.

Selection Criteria:

- You have to currently be working as an **Investigative Editor** or as an **Investigative Reporter** in one of the following countries: **South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Lesotho, Eswatini, Mozambique.**
- Your investigative work must focus on **sensitive topics** (corruption, human rights issues, environmental crime, gender based violence, state misconduct, LGBTQ+ issues...).
- If you have **faced threats** to your physical safety, psychological safety, cyber hacking or harassment of any kind as a result of this work, we want to hear from you. *We want to especially encourage female journalists and editors who have experienced gender-based harassment to apply.*
- You have to be available to travel to Johannesburg for 4 days & nights (all expenses paid) during this period: 30st March - 7th April

If this applies to you, feel free to apply by sending an email with a **short 1-2 paragraph bio** and a **sample of your latest work** to the following email address: mediadefense@intelwatch.org.za by **Friday, 7th February 2025 at 5PM SAST.**



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