The Council of Europe and the Safety of Journalists

Committee of Ministers’ Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)4 to member States on the protection of journalism and the safety of journalists and other media actors

Since 2015:
592 alerts in 39 countries
26 journalists killed
Currently:
19 cases of impunity
120 journalists in detention

CM/Rec(2016)4 – Full text
CM/Rec(2016)4 - Implementation strategy

Legislative framework, independent and substantive periodic review of laws and practices
Law enforcement, redress mechanisms, gender-specificity, safety trainings, digital security
General requirements (prosecutions and investigations), impunity
Information, education and awareness-raising

Prevention
Protection
Prosecution
Promotion

Journalism
Journalists
Other media actors

Council of Europe portal site – safety of journalists
Platform to promote the protection of journalism and safety of journalists
2019 Annual Report by Partner Organisations to the Platform
Expert study – How to address current threats to journalism?
Book - Journalism at risk

European Court of Human Rights
Huseynova v. Azerbaijan
Mazepa & others v. Russia
Khadija Ismayilova v. Azerbaijan

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