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Egyptian and Tunisian journalists on the road to election observation training in UK

24 Egyptian and Tunisian journalists will attend a special training session on electoral process within the national assembly for the Wales elections and the Scottish parliamentary elections the 5th of May, as part of the EU-funded programme European Neighbourhood Journalism Network (ENJN) project.

A group 12 Tunisian journalists will attend the Wales elections (from May 2nd to May 6th) within training about the role of a journalist in elections process as a key actor of the civil society. Elin Wyn a former Head of Election Planning for the BBC in Wales will conduct the 5 days workshop with Mark Webster, a former political reporter and spokesperson to the leader of the Liberal Democratic party. This training will include attend press conference from political parties, observation of elections results, drafting elections guidelines, visiting media during live coverage.

In parallel, the group of 12 Egyptian journalists will attend the Scottish parliamentary elections during the same week, also about the role of a journalist in elections process as a key actor of the civil society. The workshop will be conducted by Charles McGhee the former president of the UK Society of Editors and Zahera Harb a former news reporter and lecturer in Media and politics at the University of Cardiff and Nottingham university. This training will include election planning and monitoring, writing elections guidelines, observe elections coverage at the BBC.

Background information

These training are part of a series of 10 trainings targeting Egyptians and Tunisian journalists as part of a support the democratic process.

Trainings are delivered within the European Neighbourhood Journalism Network (ENJN) project funded under the ENPI regional information and communication programme 2007-2010. The ENJN project, managed by the Thomson Foundation, targets the media of the 16 neighbourhood countries.

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