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## RESOURCES / RESSOURCES PARTNERS / PARTENAIRES

### Africa: O programa "Radio for Peacebuilding Africa" já está disponível em língua Portuguesa

<http://www.radiopeaceafrica.org>

O projecto Radio for Peacebuilding, Africa (RFPA) tem como fim desenvolver, difundir e encorajar o uso de técnicas radiofónicas com vista a criação de paz, assim como promover a produção de conteúdos integrando estas mesmas técnicas. O projecto visa igualmente que a rádio seja utilizada como ferramenta para redução de pobreza em zonas de conflito.

Este website é o mostruário da RFPA. Queremos que seja utilizado como recurso chave e plataforma interactiva pelos profissionais da rádio, representantes do governo e membros da sociedade em África e onde quer que seja necessário.

Os objectivos deste sítio de Internet são:

- Disseminar guias de formação e programas radiofónicos exemplares sobre técnicas de construção de paz
- Oferecer um fórum de discussão de forma a desenvolver uma interacção positiva sobre técnicas de construção de paz para os utilizadores desta plataforma.
- Estabelecer ligações com outros sítios de Internet de referência
- Informar sobre eventos importantes.

Para algum comentário construtivo, pergunta ou proposta, escreva para: [radiopeaceafrica@sfcg.be](mailto:radiopeaceafrica@sfcg.be)

Source: RFPA communique, 26 sept. 2008

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NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-17

***Ghana: State broadcaster receives UN award***

The Ghana Broadcasting Corporation [GBC] has been awarded this year's International Children's Day of Broadcasting Regional Prize for the programme Curious Minds.

The award is instituted by UNICEF [United Nations Children's Fund] for best radio programmes for young people and with young people. GBC is one of six radio stations across the world to have been named for this year's award.

The others are Angola National Radio, Radio MEC AM, Radio Beijing Corporation, IRIB-Tehran Radio and Equal Access Nepal.

Source: Radio Ghana, Accra, in English 0600 gmt 16 Sep. 2008 quoted by BBC Monitoring Global Newslines Media File 17 Sep. 2008

RESOURCE

FROM : 2008-09-18

***DRCongo: Journalists invited to submit reports on the future of Congo***

<http://www.rusi.org/mandelaessay>

The Royal Unites Services Institute (RUSI) is inviting authors of any nationality to participate in the Nelson Mandela International Essay Competition on African Security and Development.

The submission deadline is October 31.

Entrants must submit an essay between 3,000 and 3,500 words answering the question "What is the future for the Democratic Republic of Congo?" Essays will be reviewed by an international panel of judges selected by RUSI and the winner will be announced on December 1.

First prize winner will receive GBP 1,500 (US\$2,604) and their essay will be considered for publication in the RUSI Journal.

Source: This Week in IJNet, 15 Sep. 2008, posted on IJNet Website on 11 Sep. 2008

RESOURCE

FROM : 2008-09-19

***Handbook : Teaching Radio Journalists to Report on HIV***

[http://getinvolved.internews.org/site/PageServer?pagename=LocalVoices\\_ManualHome](http://getinvolved.internews.org/site/PageServer?pagename=LocalVoices_ManualHome)

The Internews' Local Voices program makes available on Internet for free – but registration is required – two teaching manuals on HIV.

One of them target radio journalists. "Teaching Radio Journalists to Report on HIV": this manual includes lesson plans, exercises, and a training agenda developed by Internews Network's Local Voices programs to train radio journalists in HIV reporting. The manual includes audio files for use in reporting and editing exercises.

The manuals will be available for purchase in bound hard-copy soon. The "Teaching Radio Journalists to Report on HIV" manual will also be available as a CD, with audio files included and exercise hand-outs that can be edited in Word format. If you would like to be notified when the print and CD version are available, please send e-mail to sara (at) internews (dot) org.

Source: Internews, e-Newsletter, September 2008

ALERT

FROM : 2008-09-20

***Niger: Niger's largest broadcaster restarts after month suspension***

<http://blogs.rnw.nl/medianetwork/nigers-largest-broadcaster-restarts-after-month-suspension>

Niger's largest radio and television group Dounia began broadcasting again yesterday after the end of a month-long suspension for allegedly not conforming to regulations. The country's state-appointed media council, the CSC, suspended Dounia on 19 August, without specifying why it had breached the rules.

On Friday Dounia said it was "still waiting for the real reason" for its suspension, while insisting the move "would not affect its editorial position in giving airtime to all the social and political groups" in Niger. Last month the group said it believed the closure was precipitated by its graphic coverage of supporters of former prime minister Hama Amadou who was jailed in June for alleged embezzlement of public funds.

Since the renewal last year of the Tuareg rebel conflict in the arid north of the west African country, the state has whipped up its crackdown on the independent media. Independent journalists have denounced the CSC's "authoritarian tendencies" and criticised its decision to jail a correspondent for Radio France Internationale (RFI) and close a private radio station.

RFI journalist Moussa Kaka was jailed a year ago for allegedly undermining state security by having spoken to the rebels in telephone calls which were monitored by the state. Meanwhile, RFI was suspended from broadcasting on FM for three months from mid-March and Sahara FM, a private

radio station based in the northern Agadez region, was indefinitely shut down in April.  
Source: AFP quoted by Media Network Blogg Radio Netherlands, 20 Sept. 2008

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-20

### ***Ghana: Radio Stations Over-Stepping Their Boundaries***

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200809190525.html>

There has been growing concern over the operations of the country's mandated supervisory agency in the communication industry, the National Communication Authority (NCA), over irregularities characterising the operations of the growing radio industry in Ghana.

The irregularities include the rebroadcast of programmes of other radio stations from the nation's capital, Accra, by radio stations in the various regions, including the Eastern Region, with the confusion of radio station signals clashing, as well as weak monitoring and supervision of operators in the radio trade.

Experts have warned that the situation was posing a great threat to the industry, and could remain a major challenge to the development of the sector.

In the Western Region, over 15 radio stations are in existence, while the Ashanti Region is registered with over 20.

The situation has become a source of worry and concern to some of the operators in the industry. Consequently, Western Salem Communication (WSC), operators of KYZZ 89.7 FM, one of the radio stations in the Sekondi-Takoradi Metropolis, with support from the Business Sector Advocacy (BUSAC), is leading the campaign for a clean radio industry.

It has decided to embark on advocacy work, to get the attention of the NCA, and all stakeholder institutions in the trade, to take appropriate measures and actions to properly regulate the activities of the industry, which is fast becoming the largest employment creating sector in the country.

To this end, the station on Thursday, engaged some of the stakeholders on a radio programme, to seek clarification on how the industry could be streamlined to grow effectively. [...]

Full report and source: Ghanaian Chronicle (Accra), 18 September 2008 - Posted to the web 19 September 2008 and quoted by allAfrica.com

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-20

### ***Liberia: Liberia Community Radios Elect Leadership***

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200809180674.html>

The Association of Liberia Community Radio (ALICOR) with a facilitating role from Search for Common Ground (SFCG) has elected a new leadership team on September 13, 2008 at a national conference held in Gbarnga, Bong County. 41 community radio stations under ALICOR umbrella participated in the elections.

A Search for Common Ground statement said the new leadership is elected for three year team.

The statement those elected as Radio Gbarnga's William Quire, president defeating Hector Mulbah of Radio Gberzeon, in Buchanan and Justin Chea of Radio Gee.

The first Vice President of Operations post was won by Emmanuel Karleah of Voice of Karnplay.

The statement said the Secretariat is now headed by Emmanuel Johnson of Peace FM in Harbel, while the two positions, Financial Secretary and Assistant Secretary were won by Lawrence Togbah and Emmanuel Kabba of radios Senway and Kintoma in Sanniquelle, Nimba County and Voinjama respectively.

It is also noted in the statement that an independent elections commission supervised the electoral process.

It was headed by the Magistrate of the Gbarnga Office of the National Elections Commission. It named other members of the election commission as such as International Alert, the Press Union of Liberia and the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL).

The process was observed by members of the Board of Directors represented by its Chairperson James Wolo, Teah Doegmah and Julia Duncan Cassell, the Superintendent of Grand Bassa County.

The process was said to be free and fair as there were no protests after the results were announced.

The elections are outcome of other international capacity building processes that SFCG has been providing to ALICOR such as facilitating a national conference of radio managers and their board members, and working with ALICOR in the development of a constitution and the legalization of the association.

These supports included the just ended elections were provided with support from the U.K's Department for International Development (DFID).

Source: The Analyst (Monrovia), 17 September 2008 - Posted to the web 18 September 2008 and quoted by allAfrica.com

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NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-21

***Kenya: Kenyan slum-based radio station wins international award***

[Presenter] For many years children in Majengo Estate, Nairobi, have benefited from the training project that provides basic education.

The programme, which is being undertaken by Sidarec [Slums Information Development and Resource Centers], a non-governmental organization that works in slum areas, has won this year's Stars Impact, which is an international award. The organization's projects, which include the Ghetto FM radio station, pleased the judges who awarded them over 6m shillings [about 100,000 dollars].

[Reporter] Inside the Majengo slum here in Nairobi, there is a radio station called Ghetto FM. It has been in existence for one year, and it educates and entertains its listeners from here. Abraham Marita is one of its presenters, and like the others, he is a volunteer. Every day Marita goes around gathering news from slum areas and broadcast this to the residents.

[Marita in English] During the morning time I go to gather for news around the community, then I bring the content, edit it for the news that is supposed to be read by either twelve o' clock or one o' clock [0900 or 1000 gmt].

[Reporter] Ghetto FM was started by Sidarec, a non-governmental organization that also runs a school here in Majengo. Due to its efforts, Sidarec has been nominated the winner of this years' Star Impact Award, as well as received some 6m shillings, which is equivalent to 100,000 dollars.

[Unidentified female speaker in English] I would say that the community has really been positive about all the activities of Sidarec because of by the look of the participation and how they want to get engaged [Sentence as heard]. We have a lot of them bringing their children here, we have a lot of them trusting us with their kids as early as two years.

[Reporter] Sidarec also offers library services that are used by the local students, something that help children who lack adequate space in their homes for studies.

[First unidentified male speaker] At home we do not have adequate space. But here, there is room . I come here and complete my homework.

[Second unidentified male speaker] This is the only place where one can find enough space to read; you can also use computers.

[Reporter] The organization, which was started in 1997, also has a computer room for the youth. Linus Wafula who won an international award for his efforts to conserve the environment, says he benefited a lot from the free internet services that he can access from here.

[Wafula] I have done several projects and conducted research for Sidarec, and I used their computers.

[Reporter] The stars impact award 2008 has come at an opportune time as the organization has been facing financial difficulties that have hampered the smooth running of its activities.

Source: NTV, Nairobi, in Swahili, 20 Sep 2008; translated and quoted by BBC Monitoring Global Newslines Media File, 21 sep. 2008

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NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-24

***Gabon: Répartition de l'aide publique aux médias***

[http://www.gabonews.ga/actualite/actualites\\_2007.php?Article=4832](http://www.gabonews.ga/actualite/actualites_2007.php?Article=4832)

Le ministre de la communication, Jean Boniface Asselé, aura une séance de travail avec les responsables des médias privées et publiques vendredi prochain à la maison George Rawiri. Selon le communiqué, parvenu mercredi à la rédaction de GABONEWS, chaque organe de presse (presse écrite, presse en ligne et audiovisuelle) sera représenté par deux personnes.

On rappelle que le 3 septembre dernier, Jean Boniface Asselé avait reçu les responsables de la presse écrite privée gabonaise, pour annoncer les modalités de versement de la subvention allouée aux journaux privés.

Source: Gabonews, 24 septembre 2008

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NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-24

***Côte d'Ivoire: BBC Afrique lance deux relais FM à Bouaké et Yamoussoukro***

<http://news.abidjan.net/h/305182.html>

La radio-télévision britannique BBC va inaugurer jeudi en Côte d`Ivoire deux nouveaux relais en modulation de fréquence (FM) à Yamoussoukro et Bouaké (centre), a annoncé mercredi à Abidjan

Jerry Timmins, son directeur de la région Afrique et Moyen-Orient. "La Côte d'Ivoire est très importante pour la BBC", a indiqué à l'AFP M. Timmins, soulignant que le groupe public a achevé les études techniques pour l'installation de deux autres relais d'ici à la fin de l'année dans la ville portuaire de San Pedro (sud-ouest) et à Man (ouest), proche de la frontière libérienne.

Avec ces nouvelles installations, la Côte d'Ivoire sera le pays d'Afrique francophone disposant du plus grand nombre de relais de la BBC. En 1994, la radio a ouvert son premier relais FM en Afrique francophone à Abidjan et comptait près 700.000 auditeurs.

"Actuellement, nous comptons près de 19 millions d'auditeurs en Afrique francophone dont 8 millions en Côte d'Ivoire", a souligné M. Timmins. La BBC Afrique est diffusée en français dans 23 pays situés sur quatre fuseaux horaires tandis que BBC Great Lakes, diffuse en kinyarwanda et kirundi pour un public vivant au Rwanda, au Burundi et dans les pays limitrophes.

Source: AFP, repris par Abidjan.Net, 24 sept. 2008. Information transmise à TRRAACE par Serge Adam's Diakitè (Journaliste à Radio Arc-en-ciel Abidjan)

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-24

### ***Burkina Faso: Un villageois crée sa radio***

<http://atelier.rfi.fr/profiles/blog/show?id=1189413%3ABlogPost%3A32813>

Le site de l'Atelier des médias a mis sur son site une vidéo transmise par un de ses membres - François Laureys - qui retrace le parcours de Moumouni Ouedraogo. Ce dernier est le créateur, l'animateur, le technicien, le journaliste et finalement le seul acteur de Radio Sougr-Nooma. Une radio qu'il fait fonctionner les jours de marché seulement.

François Laureys précise:

"Avec un émetteur bricolé, des piles et quelques équipements récoltés ci et là, ce petit marchand arrive à émettre une fois par semaine à partir de son magasin pour son village. Son écoute est massive sur les 3,5 km couverts."

Source: L'Atelier des médias, 24 sept. 2008

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-26

### ***Rwanda: Watchdog commends Rwandan media progress***

<http://www.newtimes.co.rw/index.php?issue=13664&article=9747>

Rwandan media underwent positive progress last year despite some areas that need more improvements, a new report of the High Council of the Media (HCM) presented to the public on Tuesday has said.

The report, based on data collected by the council to get an overall depiction of the media in the country, was completed in March this year but could not immediately reach the public due to administration replacements in the council, HCM's Vice-President Dr. Vénuste Karambizi said while presenting it.

The 36-page document highlights the project of installing a modern printery in Kigali, an increased number of radio stations and newspapers, and improved level of professionalism and freedom of the press among other areas of positive developments in the country's media. [...]

The fact that Rwanda was also home to a daily newspaper for the first time in its history, referring to The New Times, and one more radio station, Voice of Africa, added to 16 other radio stations is a 'clear testimony of the media development' last year, the report further highlighted.

However, the report also tells the public that all is not rosy in the country's media sector. It pointed a finger at reported violations of press freedom and low levels of journalism ethics and professionalism among some Rwandan journalists. [...]

Some of the criticisms they advanced against the report include the fact that it neither addressed many of journalists' problems in the country, nor provided a detailed picture of the media's financial status. [...]

The council is an independent public institution whose primary responsibility is to promote and protect media freedom and regulate media. It was put in place by the country's constitution in 2003.

Source and full report: The New Times website (Kigali), 25 Sept. 2008

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-27

### ***Kenya: TWR to Establish a Network of FM Radio Stations***

<http://www.twrafrica.org/0157.asp>

Trans World Radio-Kenya produces over 32 different program titles with over 60 hours of programming weekly. Every week 133 programmes are dispatched on CD from their office to ten FM radio stations in Kenya and to the TWR-Africa Regional Office in South Africa for broadcast on

short wave to East Africa from the Swaziland transmitter site.

It has always been a dream of TWR-Kenya's staff to own a network of FM radio stations tailored to meet specific needs of people groups across the country while reducing the overall cost of broadcasting in Kenya.

Recently this has become possible through the awarding of seven frequencies to broadcast on FM in the outlying areas of Kenya and several remote towns in the northern and eastern parts of the country where no Christian broadcasting currently takes place. Some of these towns are home to refugees who have fled from war-torn parts of East Africa. Many have experienced extreme hardship and are open to the Gospel.

In order to preserve the frequencies awarded to TWR, temporary transmitters and antennae have been set up at Garissa, Lodwar and Marsabit. However TWR needs to establish seven radio stations in Kenya which will broadcast programmes recorded locally and in Nairobi. A studio to transmitter link needs to be set up to relay programmes to the radio stations.

Full report and source: Trans World Radio-Africa Website, 26 Sept. 2008

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-28

### ***Sudan: New radio to be launched in Darfur 27 September***

Sources have disclosed that a radio based in the Netherlands is due to start broadcasting on Saturday [27 September] in the three Darfur states in order to address the IDPs in their tribal dialects of Al-Fur, Zaghawa and Masalit.

The sources told Al-Ra'y al-Amm that in last March, an unknown body based in a Dutch town near the Hague had produced almost 5m pieces of small-size radios, which could be hidden in people's hands.

The sources further said that the radio had the name of "radio Darfur" written on it in English with the aim of distributing among the IDPs.

According to the sources, the radio, which would be broadcasting from The Hague, would address the IDPs in three specific dialects: Zaghawa, Fur and Masalit. The same sources added that those working on this enterprise had declined to reveal the contents of the programs that would be broadcast or the identity of the body that funds the enterprise.

Source: Al-Ra'y al-Amm, Khartoum, in Arabic 27 Sep. 2008, translated and quoted by BBC Monitoring Global Newsline Media File 28 Sep. 2008

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-29

### ***Cameroun-Canada: Espace "NTIC": les Radios camerounaises en ligne***

<http://www.cameroonvoice.com>

Une visite au hasard dans les moteurs de recherches au sujet des radios camerounaises qui émettent en direct sur Internet, et l'on découvre une nouvelle adresse, [www.cameroonvoice.com](http://www.cameroonvoice.com). Dans sa traduction littérale en langue française, elle signifie la Voix du Cameroun. "Nous connectons sur Internet toutes les radios privées camerounaises ayant un flux Internet à haut débit", informe Blaise Kamgang, l'un des promoteurs du site. Toutefois, précise-t-il, "tout se passe au niveau du Canada. Nous nous contentons de diffuser en live les programmes et émissions des radios camerounaises pour que la diaspora soit informée 24 h sur 24 heures sur le Cameroun et l'actualité mondiale".

Source: RFPA News - Numéro 007, Radio for peacebuilding Africa (RFPA), 26 septembre 2008

TRAINING

FROM : 2008-09-29

### ***Côte d'Ivoire: Formation de formateurs - Radio école communautaire***

Du 28 septembre au 4 octobre 2008 à Abidjan se tiendra une formation de formateurs. Pour plus d'informations, veuillez contacter George Fominyen, coordinateur PANOS de l'Unité Editoriale Multimédia, [gfominyen@panos-ao.org](mailto:gfominyen@panos-ao.org)

Source: RFPA News - Numéro 007, Radio for peacebuilding Africa (RFPA), 26 septembre 2008

TRAINING

FROM : 2008-09-29

### ***Sierra Leone: Listening clubs - Formation sur la production radio et les radios clubs***

Du 29 septembre au 3 octobre se tiendra à Freetown, Sierra Leone une formation sur la production radio et les radios 'Listening Clubs' Cette formation est organisé par l'Institut Panos Afriaue de l'Ouest, en partenariat avec l'Union Européenne. La 2ème formation se donnera du 20-23 octobre. Pour plus d'informations, veuillez contacter George Fominyen, coordinateur de l'Unité Editoriale

Multimédia, gfominyen@panos-ao.org

Source: RFPA News - Numéro 007, Radio for peacebuilding Africa (RFPA), 26 septembre 2008

ALERT

FROM : 2008-09-29

***Burundi: Private radios link recent detentions to state attempt to muzzle media***

In a joint synergy characterized by rare professional clarity, six private radios, namely Bonesha, Isanganiro, RPA, CCIB FM+, Ijwi ry'amahoro and Renaissance, came together to produce a joint mid-day news bulletin.

In the bulletin they told their listeners of the government's real intention, which is to muzzle them ahead of the 2010 elections in order to conceal from the public all the errors, all the lies and all the unkept promises made by the CNDD-FDD [ruling National Council for the Defence of Democracy - Forces for the Defence of Democracy] in 2005.

According to our private radio colleagues, the government's sole aim is to give a positive spin to its negative performance two years to the elections. In order to achieve this, the government has sought to use all means - threats, intimidation, perjury, imprisonment - to shut up media professionals as well as civil society organizations and labour unions with a different interpretation of state performance.

This explains the current imprisonment of the deputy chair of the union of the non-bench staff of the Ministry of Justice, the director of the Net Press news agency as well as almost inevitable closure of the short-term RPA by the CNC [National Communications Council]. This should also explain the recent arrest of the chairperson and vice-chairperson of the Ligue Iteka [human rights association]. [Passage omitted]

Source: Net Press news agency, Bujumbura, in French, 26 Sep. 2008; translated and quoted by BBC Monitoring Global Newline Media File 29 Sep. 2008

NEWS

FROM : 2008-09-29

***Sudan: Two-week Course on Management for Coordinators of the Catholic Radio Network***

<http://www.cisaneWSafrica.org>

The network of radio stations the Catholic Church is setting up in South Sudan and Nuba Mountains is a pastoral tool at the service of the people of God, the archbishop of Juba said Friday.

Archbishop Paolino Lukudu Loro told the coordinators of the radio stations of the Sudan Catholic Radio Network that this is a new way of carrying out the pastoral mission of the Church in the Sudan, Bakhita Radio reported.

Bakhita Radio is the first station of the Sudan Catholic Radio Network and began broadcasting about two years ago in Juba. [...]

Archbishop Lukudu explained that the Catholic radio network being set up in the Sudan is also the Church's contribution to the peace building process in the country. [...]

Sr. Paola Mogi, the directress of the network, said the challenge is not to open radio stations but to maintain them.

The participants said personnel and funding are the biggest hurdles they face while setting up their stations.

The two-week course on management for coordinators of the radio and directors began on Monday [Note: 22/09/2008].

Matu Nguri, from Moi University in Kenya and chairperson of Kenya Community Radio Network, introduced the participants to community media management during the first three days.

The coordinators spent two days for planning future developments of the Sudan Catholic Radio Network.

The second week will be dedicated fully to projects management. The workshop will be facilitated by Corat Africa.

Presently, the Sudan Catholic Radio Network is made up of Bakhita Radio that broadcasts in Juba since December 2006, the SCRN News Desk and SCRN training centre.

By the end of the year the stations of Torit, Yei and Nuba Mountains should be on air too. Those in Yambio, Rumbek, Wau and Malakal will open in 2009.

Source: CISA (Nairobi), 26 Sep. 2008

TRAINING

FROM : 2008-09-30

***Nigeria: Training aims to improve young Nigerian journalists' careers***

[https://www.ijnnet.org/ijnnet/training\\_opportunities/training\\_aims\\_to\\_improve\\_young\\_nigerian\\_journalists\\_careers](https://www.ijnnet.org/ijnnet/training_opportunities/training_aims_to_improve_young_nigerian_journalists_careers)

Young journalists in Nigeria are invited to participate in a media training on October 15 and 16 under the theme "Making maximum impact in journalism."

Deadline to register: October 7.

Initiated in 2005 by Media Career Services (MCS), the Nigerian Young Journalists Conference (NYJC) is intended for "young, enterprising, career minded and upward moving journalists."

It aims to impart young media professionals - especially those with less than five years experience in media - with skills needed to improve the quality of their work.

The conference, which will be facilitated by experienced media professionals, will focus on: Understanding media career trends; Investigative reporting techniques; Maximizing media career potential; Becoming an award winning journalist; and Creative writing ideas for journalists.

Registration costs NGN3,000 (US\$25.50).

For further information, contact Media Career Services (MCS) at [mediacareernig@yahoo.com](mailto:mediacareernig@yahoo.com) or call/text (234) 8023626281,08033374017.

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***Africa: Poverty reduction: journalism fellowship***

<http://www.panos.org.uk/journalismfellowship>

Panos London is inviting journalists in developing countries to apply for a poverty-reduction journalism fellowship.

Each of three selected fellows will write a short series of print features or produce a short series of radio interviews between October and December 2008. Successful applicants will see their work published on the Panos London online magazine, and will receive travel expenses and a fellowship fee.

Each application will be assessed on its own merit but priority will be given to strong applications from journalists in the following countries: Uganda, Tanzania, Mozambique, Zambia and Kenya, Bangladesh and Pakistan.

For more information and full application details please contact [anna.egan@panos.org.uk](mailto:anna.egan@panos.org.uk), marking the email: Global 2008 Fellowship Application Enquiry.

Deadline for completed applications is Monday October 13, 2008.

Full details are available at <http://www.panos.org.uk/journalismfellowship>

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