

Response of the Albanian authorities

The Albanian authorities, media and the public opinion have strongly condemned the violent act against the journalist Elvi Fundo, director of Radio Best and online platform CityNews.al, who was brutally hit by unknown people in Tirana, on March 8th, 2017.

The Albanian authorities have reacted promptly against this shameful violent act. Prime Minister Edi Rama, Minister of Interior Sajmir Tahiri, the Union of Albanian Journalists and Audiovisual Media Authority have condemned the attack and have asked for a thorough and over-all investigation of this crime for sending the perpetrators before justice. An investigation process has already been started.

Albania is committed to defend and support media freedom – a commitment which is based on the understanding that free and independent media constitute a supporting pillar for democracy and a prerequisite for the fulfillment of a wide range of fundamental rights and freedoms.