

Journalists Matter Campaign - 4th Focal Points Meeting

Date: 22 April 2026

Venue: Mimi hotel, 37 Maria Cibotari str., Chişinău, Republic of Moldova

Draft agenda

08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 09.15 Opening of the meeting

- Council of Europe Secretariat
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09.15 – 10.30 Mid-term report conclusions and priorities for the next phase of the Campaign

- Presentation of the mid-term evaluation [report](#)'s conclusions
 - Discussions with Focal Points on national achievements and challenges, on the conclusions and priority areas identified in the report, including the safety of women journalists, online harassment, role of media owners and press councils, stronger involvement of journalists and parliaments, and mental health and psychosocial support for journalists
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10.30 – 10.45 Coffee break

10.45 – 11.30 National action plans on the safety of journalists

- Presentation of a checklist of criteria for national action plans on the safety of journalists
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11.30 – 13.00 Exchange with youth representatives

- Presentation of the youth component of the *Journalists Matter* Campaign
 - Exchange with youth representatives on awareness-raising, prevention, and engagement on journalists' safety
 - Discussion on possible involvement of youth at national level
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13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 15.30 Exchange with the Partners of the Platform to Promote the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalists (Platform)

- Presentation of the [Platform annual report](#)
 - Discussion with the Focal Points on report conclusions
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15.30 – 15.45 Coffee break

15.45 – 16.15 Updates from the Secretariat

- Setting up a permanent Council of Europe Network of Focal Points for the Safety of Journalists
 - Information on forthcoming activities and next steps
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16.15 – 16.30 Conclusions

- Summary of the discussions
 - Closing of the meeting
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17.00 Cultural visit and networking