Internews Network’s Strengthening Independent Media in BiH Project Civic Media Fellowships

2012 Annenberg-Oxford Media Policy Summer Institute

June 18-29, 2012

Internews and the Center for Global Communication Studies at the Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania are pleased to announce the 14th annual Annenberg-Oxford Media Policy Summer Institute, to be held from June 18 - 29, 2012 at the University of Oxford.

The annual summer institute brings together young scholars and regulators to discuss important recent trends in technology, international politics and development and its influence on media policy. Participants come from around the world; countries represented at previous summer institute include Thailand, Kenya, China, Brazil, Egypt, Nigeria, Jordan, Italy and Bosnia, among others.

This year the summer institute seeks, as part of the cohort, researchers and academics (PhD candidates and early career academics, for example), who will come with a research project related to the general subject of the seminar. Research generally related to the work of the Center for Global Communication Studies and the Programme for Comparative Media Law and Policy is especially welcome, and some participants will be asked to present their research.

The seminars this year will focus on several key areas, including media governance in India and China and strategic communication in conflict and post-conflict and transitional environments, particularly in the Middle East and Africa. At the same time, the successful curriculum that has been the foundation of the program over the years will continue, with sessions covering global media policy issues such as media and economic/social development, freedom of information, internet regulation and convergence. Part of the course will be devoted to new developments in comparative approaches to regulation, looking at Ofcom in the UK and other agencies, including examples from the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

The seminar brings together a wide range of participants from around the globe and provides them with an environment in which significant policy issues are seriously discussed. The richness of the experience comes from exposure to a variety of speakers and from the discussions among participants themselves.

Two Internews fellowships, covering tuition, travel, and accommodation, and a stipend for other expenses, will be awarded through a competitive application process.

Each fellow is expected to develop a research project (either a research/policy paper or implementation of an online project) as part of their participation in the fellowship program. Applicants must submit a project proposal with the application (see guidelines below in the “Application Checklist” section).
Once the course ends, fellows will be expected to complete his/her project within three months. In addition, fellows will attend a follow-up workshop in BiH to ensure adequate oversight and tracking.

Internews will also provide further guidance in assisting with the wide distribution of projects as well as scheduling public forums for presentation of the projects. Projects will be made available in English, as well as in Bosnian languages.

**How to Apply**

Please note that *we accept applications via email only* to Amer Dzihana: adzihana@internews.org. Applications sent by post or fax will not be processed. Please include the following subject line in your email: *APPLICATION FOR ANNENBERG-OXFORD SUMMER INSTITUTE.*

**The application deadline is April 5th, 2012.**

**What the fellowship covers**

*Tuition, travel, accommodation and a stipend for other expenses in Oxford will be covered by the SIM Program.* Housing will be provided at Jesus College, which includes breakfast.

**Eligibility**

Candidates are expected to be:

- BiH Nationals
- MA or PhD students; or Journalists/Media development professionals from government, civil society/NGOs/foundations.

**Application Checklist**

Please attach the following to your email-application:

1. **Application Form** (see below)
2. **CV**
3. **Statement of interest:** This should include your reasons for applying to the Annenberg-Oxford Summer Institute, and how it would be helpful to your academic/professional career; your particular interests in media policy; and a short opinion about one or more issues of media policy that you feel merit further research or analysis. If you are a early-career academic, we would be interested in learning more about your a current research project related to these themes. Please limit your response to no more than 2 pages.
4. **Project proposal outline:** Proposal should address issues that fall into the scope of Communication Policy Advocacy, Technology and Online Freedom of Expression. Proposals should be up to 1000 words and the outline should include the following sections:
5. Language skills proof
Please consider the fact that classes as well as discussions will be held in English. In order to benefit from and to contribute to the course we consider an excellent command of English language essential.

6. Letters of recommendation
Please ask two referees to email us letters of recommendation. Please indicate to your referees that the subject line of their email to us should read:

REFERENCE FOR (your name) – APPLICATION FOR ANNENBERG-OXFORD SUMMER INSTITUTE.

Please note that letters sent by post or fax will not be processed.

a. Ask each of them to send by e-mail a confidential reference (in English or B/H/S) to: Amer Dzihana, adzihana@internews.org

b. Please list the names of the two people who will be providing your reference letters by email, providing contact details:

i. _____________________________ ii. _____________________________
The Annenberg / Oxford Summer Institute 2012

APPLICATION FORM
INTERNEWS NETWORK’S STRENGTHENING INDEPENDENT MEDIA IN BIH
CIVIC MEDIA FELLOWSHIPS

1. Ms. o Mrs. o Mr. o

2. First: _________________________________________________________________

3. Surname: _______________________________________________________________

4. Institution / Position: ____________________________________________________

5. Citizenship: _____________________________________________________________

Do you need a visa to enter the UK? Yes/No

6. Date of Birth: ___________________________________________________________

7. Address for Correspondence: ______________________________________________

8. Name and Address for Emergency Contact: _________________________________

9. Telephone __________ Mobile __________ E-mail _____________________________

(Please make sure that full country code and city code are clearly indicated in the telephone and fax numbers you give us)

10. Please attach the following to your email-application:

10.1. Please submit a CV.
10.2. Please submit a statement of interest. This should include your reasons for applying to the Annenberg-Oxford Summer Institute, and how it would be helpful to your academic/professional career; your particular interests in media policy; and a short opinion about one or more issues of media policy that you feel merit further research or analysis. If you are a early-career academic, we
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a) Background
b) Objective of the research
c) Research question
d) Methodology
e) Analytical framework
f) Structure
g) Consulted literature

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English Language skills: please indicate your level of proficiency

11.1. Speaking: ○ beginner ○ intermediate ○ advanced
11.2. Reading: ○ beginner ○ intermediate ○ advanced
11.3. Writing: ○ beginner ○ intermediate ○ advanced
11.4. Listening comprehension: ○ beginner ○ intermediate ○ advanced

12. Please ask two referees to email us letters of recommendation, as follows

12.1 List the names of the two people who will be providing your reference letters by email, providing contact details:

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13. Please email this completed form to adzihana@internews.org. The application deadline is April 5, 2012, but rolling admissions have started. Please note that we only accept applications via email. Applications sent by post or courier or fax will not be processed.

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