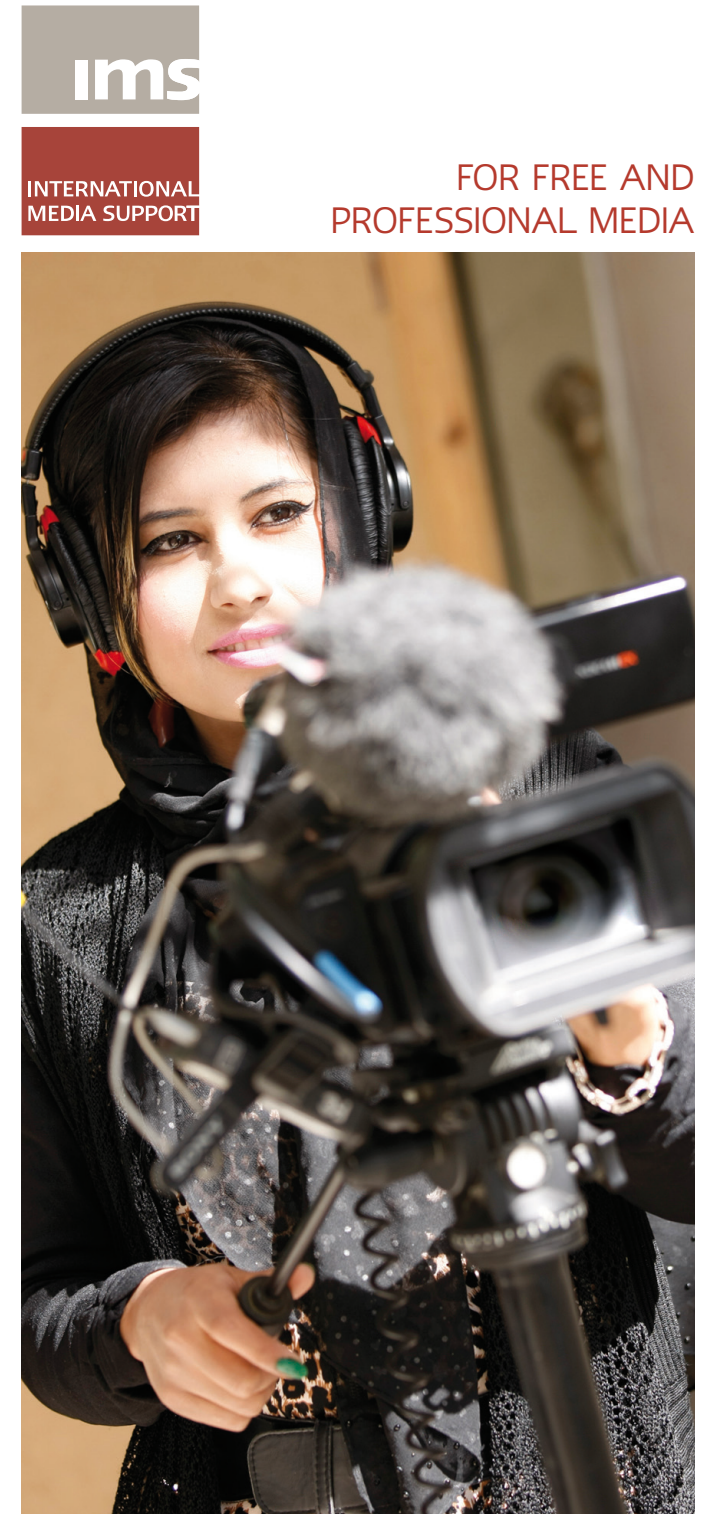




A journalist covers a protest in Azerbaijan demanding the release of political prisoners. Photo: IRFS



Conducting mobile surveys on access to information in rural Zimbabwe. Photo: Tsvangirayi Mukwazhi



Front: Behind the camera in Afghanistan. Photo: Lars Schmidt

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ABOUT INTERNATIONAL MEDIA SUPPORT

International Media Support (IMS) is a non-profit organisation working to support local media in countries affected by armed conflict, human insecurity and political transition.

Across four continents, we help to strengthen professional skills and ensure that media can operate under challenging circumstances.

Reliable and independent media play a key role in ensuring an informed public, holding decision-makers to account, and can help to reduce conflict through responsible reporting.

With over a decade of experience in media development and a global network of partners we tailor our support to the challenges facing media around the world.

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Newspaper salesmen reading the paper in South Sudan. Photo: IMS

WHAT WE DO

SAFETY IN JOURNALISM

To enable journalists to work in hostile environments, we assist them to better protect themselves and report more professionally.

MEDIA RIGHTS

To advocate the need to protect the rights of journalists, we work to ensure that information on media rights and freedom of expression violations is collected, analysed, and shared.

MEDIA LAW REFORM

To promote stable and safe media environments, we work to strengthen media and access to information laws and the regulatory institutions that implement them.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

To allow media to prosper under trying market conditions, we work to equip them with knowledge on how to become sustainable businesses.

PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISM

To enable journalists to provide reliable, professional content we work to equip them with specialised skills and awareness about professional standards.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

To ensure robust and professional media environments, we work to strengthen institutions such as unions, representative bodies, and associations.

NEW MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY

To promote and improve the production of, and access to, quality journalistic content and humanitarian information during conflicts and crises, we work to facilitate the use of new media and technology.

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

To ensure greater impact through joint efforts, we work in partnership with local media and like-minded international organisations.



On camera in Tajikistan. Photo: IMS



Newspaper salesmen in Myanmar. Photo: IMS

FOR FREE AND PROFESSIONAL MEDIA

Around the world journalists and media outlets find themselves under increasing pressure when press freedom and their professional independence come under attack.

To support these journalists and media outlets to deliver accurate information to the public, we work to develop safe working environments with sound laws

for media; we build strong institutions that form the backbone of the media sector; and we strengthen and build the professional skills of media.

We seldom focus on all these areas at once. Rather, our work is based on an analysis of what we and the country's local media consider strategic priorities in order to most effectively support the media.

” I work as a journalist because I want to raise the voices of the disadvantaged members of society. I want to fight injustice, and make the population aware of their rights.

– Fareiba, female Afghan journalist



Developing story ideas in Egypt. Photo: Lyngse & Fryland