

# Training on ethical migration reporting

Training journalists on ethical reporting on migration is key for more accurate and balanced reporting. What should these trainings cover?

Here are some suggestions put forward by the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) [https://www.icmpd.org/fileadmin/2017/Media\\_Migration\\_17\\_country\\_chapters.pdf](https://www.icmpd.org/fileadmin/2017/Media_Migration_17_country_chapters.pdf)

- Use of correct terminology.
- Understanding of international humanitarian law and legal rights of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers.
- Avoiding hate-speech and political bias in reporting of migration concerns.
- Use of images, video and photography.
- Providing balanced coverage of the migrant issue from the standpoints of arrivals and host communities.
- Ensuring presence of diverse voices in media coverage, particularly from migrant groups (settled and new arrivals) as well as from host communities.
- Targeting key players in media organisations, including editors-in-chief and media owners, to show how migration can be placed in the mainstream of editorial work.
- Developing diversity in sources of information.