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Environmental Journalism Training Workshops

In order to raise environmental awareness in Afghanistan and to support the development of environmental journalism and media, a new environmental journalism training project has been launched by NAI Supporting Afghan Open Media, the Center for International Journalism (CIJ) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

The first two workshops launch this week, Tuesday 7th of November:

- Training of Trainers (ToT) for Environmental Journalism and,
- Environmental Photojournalism

These workshops will run simultaneously from November 7 - 18 every day except for Fridays.

The second phase with a workshop focusing on professional journalists and media professionals in TV, Radio and Printed Press will commence November 26th and go on until December 7th.

Over 60 trainers and professional journalists will be trained through the event. The project will run until 16 December and will culminate with an exhibition of products and results from the workshops and a roundtable session.

The training is funded by UNEP, which is currently implementing a Capacity Building and Institutional Development Programme for Environmental Management in Afghanistan funded by the European Commission, the Government of Finland and the Global Environment Facility.

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UNEP's Post-Conflict Branch (PCoB) extends UNEP's work in areas of the world where the natural and human environment has been damaged as a direct or indirect consequence of conflict. PCoB conducts environmental assessments in post-conflict countries and strengthens national environmental management capacity through institution building, promoting regional cooperation, technical legal assistance, environmental information management and integrating environmental concerns in reconstruction programmes. PCoB is based in Geneva, Switzerland, with field offices in Kabul, Monrovia and Amman.

NAI is a local Afghan organization working for the development of open media in Afghanistan. Since its creation, on June 22, 2004, its mandate had been to foster independent media in the emerging Afghan democracy. It helps local groups to work for the adoption of open broadcasting and internet policies in order to guarantee equal and indiscriminate access of all groups to open media (TV, radio, press, and the Internet), regardless of their political, economic, and social statuses and positions. Nai and Internews are working jointly on journalist skill development and monitoring activities. Internews' international trainers and Nai Afghan trainers conduct courses on human rights and gender and health issues, business development, journalism ethics and investigative journalism.

CIJ is an Afghan journalist training entity with a team of experienced Afghan journalists whose goals are to teach international journalism standards, ethics and practical skills. CIJ also defends professional journalists facing threats or harassment; writes and translates international journalism books for universities and media organizations; and offer professional courses for media officers.