



“48 Hours for Freelance Journalism” goes European

“48 Hours for Freelance Journalism”, the only event for freelancers working for the press in France, is now going European! Following in the footsteps of Lille, Lyon, Aix-en-Provence and Vichy, this annual get-together of freelance journalists will take place this year in **Strasbourg**, in the east of France, on **July 2nd and 3rd**. For this occasion, it will become the **Convention of European Freelance Journalism** (CEFJ).

Profession Pigiste, the French association that organizes the event, is looking to bring together **people from all over Europe**.

Speakers from **12 european countries** are expected to attend the CEFJ to look into the future of freelance journalism. 2015 will also see the 48 Hours open up to other media freelance professionals such as photographers, web developers, cartoonists)

200 people from France and other European countries are expected to attend. The CEFJ will be held at the Academic Center for Journalism Education in Strasbourg.

Registration is open on the website 48h.pigiste.org/presentation-en/

These two days of meeting up, training and discussing journalism will involve:

- **round tables and conferences**: How to investigate in Europe? ; What kind of information for what kind of democracy? ; What are the realities for freelance journalists in Europe?
- workshops for **sharing expertise**: data-journalism, long format, comics for reporting, crowdfunding, web documentaries, working in areas of conflict, etc.
- **workshops** to lay down the foundations of an editorial project.

The speakers include: **Brigitte Alfter** (Denmark), Director of Journalism Fund; **Alberto Campi** (Italy), photojournalist; **Alla Lazareva** (Ukraine), editor-in-chief of *La Semaine ukrainienne* ; **Fabio Lo Verso** (Switzerland), founder of the newspaper *La Cité* ; **Zekirja Shabani** (Kosovo), President of the Kosovo Association of Journalists; **Nicolas Wild** (France), comic strip author; **Drew Sullivan** (Bosnia), member of the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists and many others.

→ Find out more on the program of CEFJ on 48h.pigiste.org

PROFESSION : PIGISTE is a French association comprising 450 freelance journalists and media professionals (photographers, graphic designers, web developers etc.). It aims to reinforce the ties between these professionals, defend their rights and enhance their work. *Profession pigiste* has been organising the 48 Hours event each year since 2011.

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