

Who's coming?

Here is a breakdown of the speakers at this year's conference.

Brigitte Alfter, born 1966 in Germany, freelance journalist based in Brussels and Copenhagen. Brigitte is the manager and one of the co-founders of the Danish Scoop project.

Helena Bengtsson is database editor for the News and Current Affairs department at Sveriges Television, the national broadcasting company in Sweden. Since 1994, she has served as a researcher, assistant producer and projects editor at the company.

Massood Qiam was born in Kabul, a city where he has called home for all his 25 years. After graduating from high school, Qiam managed to gain acceptance at Kabul's most prestigious learning institution – Kabul University's Faculty of Medicine.

Tommy Kaas has a background in print journalism. He was a co-founder of FCJ, the Organisation for Computer-Assisted Reporting, and the Danish International Centre for Analytical Reporting (Dicar).

Asra Q. Nomani, born in Bombay India, a former reporter for the Wall Street Journal for 15 years, is the author of "Standing Alone: An American Woman's Struggle for the Soul of Islam."

Giannina Segnini is deputy managing editor, daily La Nación, San José, Costa Rica. Under her coordination, the Investigation Unit of the paper disclosed the corruption cases that sent Costa Rican former Presidents Rafael Angel Calderon-Fournier and Miguel Angel Rodríguez-Echeverría to jail.

Evan Wright, US, is the author of "Generation Kill: Devil Dogs, Iceman, Captain America and the New Face of American War". Wright is a contributing editor to Rolling Stone magazine.

John Bones is political reporter at the largest Norwegian daily Verdens Gang (VG). He is the Computer Assisted Reporting specialist in the newspaper.

Joachim Dyfvermark, Sven Bergman and Fredrik Laurin, also referred to as "Trojkan", are investigative reporters/producers for the current affairs show "Uppdrag granskning" on Swedish Public Broadcasting, SVT.

Kavita Joshi is a documentary filmmaker and media trainer based in India, whose recent films have focused on women's struggles for justice and human rights.

Eamonn O'Neill is programme director of the MSc Masters Degree in Investigative Journalism at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. O'Neill has won major awards in the UK and USA for his investigative work.

Sherry Jones, author of "The Jewel of Medina" and its sequel, "A'isha and Ali," has been a journalist for 28 years, both as a staff reporter at daily and weekly newspapers in the US and as a freelance writer.

Stephen Grey is a UK based journalist, writing mainly about national security issues. A former editor of the Sunday Times' investigations unit, the Insight Team, he continues to contribute to the Sunday Times.

Margot Williams is the database research editor at The New York Times. She moved to the Times in 2004 after 14 years at The Washington Post.

Meri Jordanovska is a journalist since 2002, presently in the daily newspaper "Nova Makedonija" in Skopje, Macedonia. Most of the time she has worked in daily newspapers oriented on investigative journalism.

Drew Sullivan is the founder and former director of the Center for Investigative Reporting in Bosnia and Herzegovina and currently serves as the editor of the Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project.

Yelena Larionova is a journalist from Murmansk, Russia, and one of the organisers and project coordinator of the journalists network Barents Press International. She also works in Polyarnaya Pravda, a newspaper in Murmansk.

Matti Stenrosen, born 1962, reporter for the daily newspaper Kristianstadsbladet in Kristianstad, Sweden. Matti has worked three years specifically with investigative reporting for the newspaper, but is now covering local government.

Sam Olukoya holds a first degree in Journalism from the University of Lagos and a Masters in Environmental Science from Edinburgh University. He has extensively the environmental problems caused by oil exploitation in Nigeria's Niger Delta region since 1990.

Lieven Desmet is a journalist for business news magazine Trends in Brussels, Belgium, since 2000. During the years Trends have assembled a unique form of data that provides input for a wide variety of analyses.

Charles Lewis is executive editor of the Investigative Reporting Workshop at American University and the president of the Fund for Independence in Journalism in Washington, D.C. He founded and for 15 years was executive director of the Center for Public Integrity.

Henrik Kaufholz, 62. Reader's Editor in Politiken, Copenhagen. In the Danish management of Scoop, where he is responsible for Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova, since 2003.

Harun Najafizada, 27, MA in international Journalism from City University of London (2004-2005). He has worked as a regional reporter in the northern Afghanistan for more than six years, mostly with the BBC Persian Service.

Sandra Bartlett was the co-chair of the Toronto Global Investigative Journalism Conference 2007. Sandra is a CBC Radio National Reporter in the Investigative Unit.

Sami Sillanpää is China correspondent for Finnish daily newspaper Helsingin Sanomat. Sillanpää has lived and worked in Beijing since 2003 covering Chinese political, economical and social issues. He has published a book on clash of Chinese and Western life styles.

Deborah Nelson is a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. Nelson joined forces with military historian Nick Turse to investigate an extraordinary archive: the largest compilation of records on Vietnam-era war crimes ever to surface.

Drago Hedl is a Knight International Journalism Award Winner, and has won the Outstanding Merits in Investigative Journalism Award for 2008. He is the editor of the Croatian weekly newspaper Feral Tribune based in Split.