Mauritania has ratified the main international human rights treaties. However, in practice, they are still not being applied properly, notably because citizens are not fully aware of their rights. In order to continue providing support to journalists in their mission to promote rights and equal opportunities, the GIZ tasked CFI with training journalists from public and private media outlets in Mauritania (with priority being given to the Assaba and Gorgol regions) on these topics: this is the RightsInfo project.

AIM

To improve human rights media coverage in Mauritania by training journalists and providing support in the professional production of content.

FOR WHOM?

- 4 to 8 journalism trainers from Mauritania
- 40 journalists from all media outlets in the Assaba and Gorgol regions

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HOW?

→ Putting training courses in place for journalists: selecting and training of 4 to 8 trainers from Mauritania; developing a training concept for bilingual journalists (in Arabic and French) on human rights coverage; selecting and training of 40 beneficiary journalists from Assaba and Gorgol and the surrounding regions.

→ Supporting the production of articles and networking: supporting the production of journalistic content covering human rights in national languages (Hassaniya, Pulaar, Wolof, Soninke) or in French; strengthening a network of journalists.

EXPECTED RESULTS

10 months

→ Training of 4 to 8 experienced journalists as journalism trainers.

→ Training of 40 journalists from Mauritanian media outlets on human rights and how journalism can be used as a tool for raising awareness in this area.

→ Support in the production of around twenty high-quality articles focusing on this subject, in public and private media.

→ Creation and strengthening of a network of specialist journalists, especially in the local area.

€200,000

44 professionals

CFI, the French media development agency
CFI provides support to media organisations as development actors across several continents. A subsidiary of France Médias Monde and an operator of the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, the agency is currently working on around 30 projects that fall under three major programmes: Media and Governance, Media and Enterprise, Media and Development.

The “Media and Governance” programme tackles democratic governance issues, notably by strengthening the rule of law, media plurality, the ethical conduct of public debates and the search for pluralistic and high-quality information.

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