

EJC launches new website

MAASTRICHT, THE NETHERLANDS: The European Journalism Centre (EJC) has launched a <u>new website</u>, for its Innovation in Development Reporting (IDR) Grant Programme.



The protracted refugee situation at the Horn of Africa is one of the projects in the programme. (Image extracted from the <u>EJC website</u>)

The new website went live on Tuesday, 22 January, 2014, marking the first anniversary of the grant programme.

The revamped website gives a comprehensive overview of the 28 projects funded under the grant programme. The public can access a <u>showcase</u> of all outstanding projects awarded in 2013 a combined total of €550,000 in funding aimed to innovate global development narratives and bring new forms of journalistic storytelling centred on the Millennium Development Goals.

"In line with the current global efforts directed at increasing transparency regarding development spending, we want to also show to the public what the funded projects are all about. Consequently, the new website provides information regarding each funded project, including the grant recipients' names, the funded amounts, the deadlines, the aim and objectives of their stories, as well as the results of the projects", says EJC Director Wilfried Rütten.

In 2014 the EJC will run two more rounds of applications. Don't miss the next deadline coming up on 26 February 2014 (2200 CET). Journalists and media organisations interested in breaking away from development journalism stereotypes can pitch their stories via the <u>online application form</u>. For questions, check the <u>FAQ guide</u>, or email <u>info@journalismgrants.org</u>.

The programme

The Innovation for Development Reporting Grant Programme was launched in January 2013 by the EJC with support from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The project aims to reward quality journalism and advance a new and distinctive agenda for development coverage through awarding funding to a selection of state-of-the-art reporting projects of great impact and high visibility.

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