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[COPEAM and the EIB launch an online training course for journalists on reporting climate change](#)



An e-learning course for journalists to improve the reporting skills in the field of climate change: this is the goal of the project developed by the

European Investment Bank (EIB) and [COPEAM](#). This free professional training will be open to journalists coming from the [Mediterranean partner countries](#) and [Balkan countries](#) and will be available in English and Arabic on the didactic platform of the International [Telematic University Uninettuno](#), partner of the project.

This new joint initiative comes after four years of collaboration between COPEAM and the EIB aimed at raising the awareness of the information professionals about the current environmental and climate challenges and at increasing the reporting skills in this field.

The program will be composed of video-lessons, exercises and supporting training material delivered by the two main trainers appointed: Ahmed Kandil, Head of the Energy Studies Program at al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies in Cairo and Kevin Burden, former BBC correspondent and international expert in scientific journalism. Several contributions “from the field” will also give the floor to academics, experts and senior professionals working in the domain of scientific communication, among which experts from the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism (Oxford University) and from the Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change (CMCC). A final Q&A session, open to all the beneficiaries, will be organized online at the end of the course.

Interested candidates can send their application form to COPEAM until November 16. The call for participation can be downloaded at the following link

www.copeam.org/activities/a-new-training-opportunity-for-journalists-reporting-climate-change-e-learning-course/.

Slaughter of cattle: welfare issues assessed



EFSA has published an assessment of the welfare of cattle at slaughter, based on the most up-to-date scientific studies and research. The scientific opinion is the latest in a series on the welfare of animals at slaughter requested by the European Commission. It follows assessments covering [poultry](#), [rabbits](#) and [pigs](#).

A total of 40 welfare hazards that could occur during slaughter are identified. Most – 39 out of 40 – are the result of staff not possessing necessary skills or of staff fatigue. The opinion proposes measures to prevent and correct the hazards.

[Tanzania – Declaration by the High Representative on behalf of the EU on the elections in Tanzania](#)



The Tanzanian National Electoral Commission and Zanzibar Electoral Commission have declared the results of the elections.

Election day was well organised and peaceful in many parts of the country. Nonetheless, the European Union (EU) notes with regret the disruption of social media before, on and after election day, claims of opposition candidates that they did not benefit from a level playing field during the electoral process, as well as the limited possibilities for electoral observation. Reports of irregularities in some districts are also raising concern. These serious allegations have an impact on the transparency and overall credibility of the process. They should be processed through legal means of redress.

In Zanzibar, tensions were reported, with deadly violence, including allegations of excessive use of force by State organs. The EU hopes that it will be possible to lay the foundation for a sustainable reconciliation between all stakeholders, in order to contribute to long-lasting peace and stability in the archipelago.

The EU encourages an open, constructive and inclusive dialogue between the Government of Tanzania, opposition political parties and civil society, and recognises peaceful expressions of opinions as essential to multi-party democracy and civic freedoms.

Tanzania has a strong record of stability, peaceful cohabitation and tolerance among its people. The EU and Tanzania have a long history of good relations, and the EU reaffirms its preparedness to contribute to joint next steps for political dialogue and economic cooperation.