

ONLINE WEBINAR

ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA

21 OCTOBER, 14:30 – 16:30

AGENDA

Public access to information is one of the basic commitments in the sphere of freedom of information and freedom of the media. While almost all OSCE participating States have implemented this commitment by adopting access to information / freedom of information laws, there are still problems in the practical enforcement of the access mechanisms.

Experts believe that one of the problems is caused by a lack of national information commissioners or information ombudspersons who otherwise carry out independent reviews of decisions taken by public bodies on information requests from the public.

This webinar will present the practices of such independent commissioners from several jurisdictions within the OSCE to share best practices.

Moderator:

Helen Darbshire, Executive Director, Access Info

Speakers:

Peter Tyndall, Ombudsman and Information Commissioner of Ireland

Esperanza Zambrano, Deputy Director in charge of Complaints at the Spanish Transparency Council

Besa Tauzi, Adviser to the Information and Data Protection Commissioner of Albania

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