

Media Workshop Agenda

Lessons from Covid-19 Journalism in a Post-Pandemic Future

10 April 2025

09:30 – 13:00, followed by lunch

[International IDEA](#) HQ, Strömsborgsbron, 111 28 Stockholm

09:30 – 10:00	Registration Welcome coffee and light breakfast
10:00 – 10:10	Opening remarks and overview of the workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Alistair Scrutton, Head of Communications and Knowledge Management team at International IDEA</i>• <i>Gentiana Gola, Democracy Assessment Adviser at International IDEA and Legitimult Project Coordinator</i>• <i>Dr Alexander Hudson, Democracy Assessment Senior Adviser at International IDEA and Legitimult Researcher</i>
10:10 – 10:20	Introductions and overview of discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions of the group and expectations for the workshop• Overview of the session structure, objectives, and desired outcomes <p><i>Facilitated by Navdip Dhariwal, Communications expert, former BBC correspondent</i></p>
10:20 – 10:50	Presentation of relevant findings by Legitimult & Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Dr Peter Bursens, Professor at the Department of Political Science at University of Antwerp, and Legitimult co-Leader/Researcher on Crisis, Governance and Trust</i>
10:50 – 11:30	Part I – Group discussion: Public trust during crisis and the role of media <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The relationship between government transparency and media accountability• The rise of misinformation and disinformation and how to combat it• Journalism in crisis governance and intergovernmental decision-making
11:30 – 11:40	Coffee break
11:40 – 12:30	Part II – Group discussion: Public trust during crisis and the role of media <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exploring how to balance urgency and accuracy in breaking news• Ethical and transparent crisis reporting
12:30 – 13:00	Concluding remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recommendations for strengthening media resilience in future crises• Closing remarks
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch at International IDEA Informal networking and opportunity for follow-up discussions