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MEDIA INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Expression of Interest to attend the Reporting on Elections Accurately and Impartially: Training for Journalists

Media plays a critical role during elections. Fair and balanced coverage can foster transparency, provide opportunities for information and knowledge sharing, promote an inclusive electoral process, and serve as an effective forum for public debate, all of which strengthens democratic resilience. At the same time, biased media coverage can undermine election integrity. As Fiji prepares to hold the next General Elections, strengthening accuracy of election reporting and promoting informed electoral analyses is a critical priority.

The International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) helps journalists and election management bodies (EMBs) around the world strengthen their relationship and promote effective and accurate reporting of elections. The Fijian Elections Office (FEO) in collaboration with the Media Industry Development Authority (MIDA) will engage the expertise of the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) and convene a three day workshop for the Fijian media on reporting on elections accurately and impartially from **February 20-22** at the **Holiday Inn**.

The FEO and MIDA invite media organisations, academic institutions and representatives of civil society organisations, students or any other individual who may be interested in attending this training to complete the expression of interest form available from www.feo.org.fj/eoi-mediatraining or contact Edwin Nand on communications@feo.org.fj.

All applications must reach the Fijian Elections Office by the Close of business 16th February 2018.

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