

BURUNDI

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION		
1.	PROJECT TITLE	Electoral news coverage training for journalists in Burundi
2.	NUMBER	IPDC/59 BI/01
3.	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IPDC	USD 35,700
4.	PROJECT BENEFICIARY	Burundian journalists

B. PRESENTATION

1. PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

In Burundi, 2015 will be marked by 5 elections (presidential, legislative, senatorial, local and cantonal) in a democratic process to select the members of the country's governing bodies. Elections in Burundi are often accompanied by periods of high social and political tension. As such, the Burundi Section of the Organisation des Médias d'Afrique Centrale felt that it was both timely and necessary to organize, for media professionals, a series of training workshops on the Coverage of Electoral News, with a view to consolidating the peace process, fostering the culture of citizenship, and promoting good electoral practices.

2. IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE:

- Train 50 media professionals to identify and understand the political challenges that the upcoming elections present in terms of objectivity and ethics in electoral reporting.
- Provide media professionals with a set of tools that they can use to analyze the content of candidates' electoral programmes and speeches.
- Provide media professionals with a set of technical tools enabling them to prepare and host educational programmes and moderate political debates during electoral periods.

3. ACTIVITIES:

- Formulation of a training methodology
- Identification and recruitment of trainers
- Identification and invitation of participants
- Acquisition of teaching aids
- Organisation of the course
- Write-up and submission of the activity report

4. INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK:

The project will be implemented by the Burundi Section of the Organisation des Médias d'Afrique Centrale. The Burundi Section was established in 1997 with the aim of strengthening capacity within Burundian media outlets and professional media organisations, and of meeting the training and documentation needs of media professionals. It regularly hosts conferences that are open to the general public, and provides an appropriate framework for journalists, university

lecturers, researchers, and human-rights activists to confront their opinions with a view to consolidating the country's democratic achievements and developing lasting peace.

D. BUDGET

BREAKDOWN OF IPDC CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)			
	Qty	Unit price	Total
Course 1: Analysing political discourse.			
Trainer's fees:	4 days	200	800
Teaching aids:			1,500
Rental of venue	4 days	150	600
Transport for 50 participants:	4 days	20	4,000
Coffee breaks and lunches for 50 participants:	4 days	20	4,000
Photocopies (flat rate):			1,000
Sub-total 1			11,900
Course 2: Covering elections			
Trainer's fees:	4 days	200	800
Teaching aids:			1,500
Rental of venue	4 days	150	600
Transport for 50 participants:	4 days	20	4,000
Coffee breaks and lunches for 50 participants:	4 days	20	4,000
Photocopies (flat rate):			1,000
Sub-total 2			11,900
Course 3: Moderating electoral debates			
Trainer's fees:	4 days	200	800
Teaching aids:			1,500
Rental of venue	4 days	150	600
Transport for 50 participants:	4 days	20	4,000
Coffee breaks and lunches for 50 participants:	4 days	20	4,000
Photocopies (flat rate):			1,000
Sub-total 3			11,900
TOTAL			USD 35,700

BREAKDOWN OF BENEFICIARY'S CONTRIBUTION (in US dollars)	
Logistics	4,000
Preparatory meetings	1,000
Administrative and logistics support	6,500
Communications	1,200
Activity report	1,000
TOTAL	13,700