Swiss-Ukrainian media forum
"Independent media as a crucial pillar of democracy: How can media strengthen democracy during wartime?"

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(On-line/hybrid and Demokratie-Turm, Marktgasse 67 in Bern)

CH: 18:00￼UA: 19:00	Door Opening at the Democracy-Tower in Bern
CH: 18:30￼UA: 19:30	**Short Opening and Welcome by the Co-Hosts (hybrid)**￼- In CH: **Stefanie Bosshard**, Swiss Democracy Foundation￼- In UA: **Gaetan Vannay**, Embassy of Switzerland to Ukraine￼- In UA: **Mykyta Poturayev,** Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, Committee on Humanitarian and Information Policy, Chairman￼- In UA: **Alyona Dolya**, Ukrainian Parliamentary Institute
CH: 18:40￼UA: 19:40	**Hybrid Panel: Independent media as a crucial pillar of democracy: How can media strengthen democracy during wartime?**￼￼Moderators **Bruno Kaufmann** (SDF) in CH and **Igor Rozkladai** (CEDEM) in UA (5min): Introducing the topic￼￼- **Alex Kühni**, Swiss Press Photographer of the Year 2023 – (5min): What are independent media and why are they a crucial pillar of democracy?￼- **Mykyta Poturayev**, Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Committee on Humanitarian and Information Policy, Chairman (5min): How can media strengthen democracy during wartime?￼- **Mykola Chernotytsky,** Suspilne Broadcasting (5min): Challenges and opportunities of the public TV during wartime.￼- **Veronica DeVore**, SWI swissinfo.ch (5min): How can be written about democracy in modern media?￼- **Taras Shevchenko**, Ministry of Culture and Information Policy, Deputy Minister (5 min),￼- **Sevgil Musayeva,** Ukrainska Pravda, internet "newspaper" (5 min): How can we work together to strengthen independent media and democracy?￼- **Oleksandra Panova**, Internews Ukraine (5 min), What are the strategies during the war and how to become stronger?￼￼ **Discussion:** Options and strategies for cooperation in the future
CH: 19:40￼UA: 20:40	**Closing by the Co-Hosts (hybrid): Not the End – the Start of Cooperation!**
CH: 19:50￼UA: 20:50	End of the Event / Network Apéro at Democracy-Tower in Bern