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Training for Afghan journalists reporting the National Assembly

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The SEAL (Support to Establishment of Afghan Legislature) project of the UNDP will conduct a two-day seminar for Afghan journalists accredited with the National Assembly in a further effort to lay the groundwork for the functioning of the Afghan parliament in a democratic fashion.

The seminar, which will start on Tuesday March 28, is expected to attract up to 70 journalists and staff of the Assembly secretariat who will work closely with media.

Both national and international experts will take part in the seminar to discuss with participants issues surrounding the language, ethics, functionality and importance of parliamentary journalism.

Discussions at the seminar will also focus on the functioning of the legislature and the importance of public's participation in the legislative process through media.

Speakers at the seminar will include Ms. Tahera Shairzay, General Director of Information and Public Relations, National Assembly of Afghanistan; Peter Lunding, SEAL Technical Adviser; Maseeh Rahman (India), trainer; Bjarke Larsen (Denmark), trainer; Cem Rifat Sey (German), trainer; and Adrienne Woltersdorf (German), trainer.

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