

# CIN #CG REPORT ON 2017 ACTIVITIES

Center for Investigative Journalism of Montenegro (CIN-CG) is a non-governmental foundation, dedicated to practicing and promoting investigative journalism in accordance with internationally recognized professional standards.

Our main goal is to inform Montenegrin people of the hidden or unavailable important information of public interest.

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## LAST YEAR

### WAS CRUCIAL FOR CIN-CG

Despite working for only a few years, CIN-CG managed to implement several donor funded projects and conduct a number of significant investigations and activities. CIN-CG also strengthened its partnership with major independent media and CSOs in Montenegro and the region.

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# JOURNALISTIC INVESTIGATIONS: ARTICLES, DOCUMENTARIES AND TV SHOWS/TV REPORTS

In 2017, CIN-CG and its partners put a lot of efforts into investigating topics of public interest, which resulted in production of more than 60 investigative articles, two TV documentaries and three TV shows and TV reports ([www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bu75GJDEE-gQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bu75GJDEE-gQ)). These were published and broadcasted on a number of regional and local online platforms, portals, print media and TV stations.

The articles covered a wide range of topics including: corruption on local level, issues related to public administration reform, state budget expenditures, minority rights, position of women in the society etc. Some of the articles were envisaged by specific projects, while others were produced based on our initiative.

Two documentaries were released last year in partnership with *TV Vijesti*. Documentary *The Deal* ([www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8\\_7ZwliEn8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8_7ZwliEn8)) refers to the case of Svetozar Marović, former senior ruling DPS official convicted for corruption, while the documentary *The Saline: In the Net* ([www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwgAltqF-VY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwgAltqF-VY)) focuses on unmasking a case of high-level corruption that threatens a wetland of international importance on the Montenegrin coast. The Saline will be screened at the Columbia University, New York, in the coming months.

We are currently working on another documentary *Out of the Labyrinth*, envisaged by the EU-funded project *Employ RE population and tell the full story*, which describes the status of RE population in the Montenegrin society. The documentary features four members of RE population, currently employed in CIN-CG, as a positive example of how education and integration can change life in Roma community.



**[THE SALINE: IN THE NET VIEW FULL VIDEO](#)**





## CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

In collaboration with the weekly Monitor, CIN-CG organized two conferences/debates on participation of women in the political life. Two supplements were also published under this project and distributed through the weekly.

In April and May 2017, CIN-CG organized a two-month training for four members of the RE population to prepare them for work in the media sector. Following the training, they signed a ten-month employment contract with CIN-CG, including as graphic designer, journalist, cameraman and on-line journalist.

Additionally, CIN-CG organized a number of trainings with its partners from Montenegro and the region, such as BIRN, with the aim of strengthening investigative journalism in Montenegro and further developing our own capacities.



## PUBLICATIONS

CIN-CG published a bilingual publication *Women for Election(s), Women for Democracy* in cooperation with the weekly Monitor. The publication is a collection of comments, remarks, suggestions and conclusions from the two afore-mentioned conferences held under the project *Women for Election(s), Women for Democracy*.



## AWARDS

In 2017, CIN-CG received a European Union award for the series of investigative articles regarding corruption in the municipality Kolašin. This is the third award that CIN-CG received in its short history.

[THE DEAL](#) [VIEW FULL VIDEO](#)



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## PROJECTS:

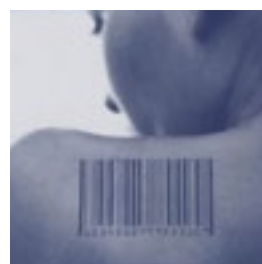
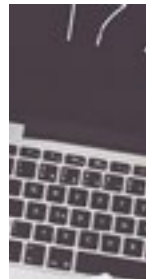
In 2017, CIN-CG implemented and closed four projects: Women for Election(s), Women for Democracy (funded by the Dutch Embassy in Belgrade, implemented in collaboration with the weekly Monitor), Investigations and Debates (funded by the US State Department and the US Embassy in Podgorica, implemented in collaboration with TV Vijesti), Improving capacities of CSO's and the system of consumer protection in MNE (EU-funded project, implemented in collaboration with the Centre for Monitoring and Research - CeMI) and Think Locally – Act Locally (EU-funded project, implemented in collaboration with the Centre for Civic Education - CGO).

**CIN-CG** is currently implementing four projects:

- Employ RE population and tell the full story, funded by the Directorate for Finance and Contracting of the EU Assistance Funds (CFCU) in the Ministry of Finance (lead applicant);
- Investigate for ME and EU!, funded by the EU (lead applicant);
- Civil Society for Good Governance: To Act and Account! (partners to the Institute Alternativa);
- Human Trafficking – Is there any hope for victims? (with a support of Denmark Jyllands-Postens Fond).
- CIN-CG has recently been awarded another EU-funded project Media and investigations: STOP 2 READ (Regional Environmental Act of Devastation), which is due in March 2018. It is going to be implemented in partnership with BIRN and weekly Monitor.

In 2017, CIN-CG strengthened its partnership with Montenegrin media and CSOs as well as with regional organisations fighting for public interest, media freedom and democratic transition.

**CIN-CG** will continue to strengthen investigative journalism and freedom of media, crucial for Montenegrin transition to democracy.



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