

"In this interconnected world, information and news on public health issues are being disseminated at an unprecedented pace, and the public is not always in a position to assess the accuracy and validity of the information received. This increases their exposure to health risks. The health experts and media professionals taking part in this training programme have one common goal: to make sure that information provided to the public is accurate and relevant, and allows people to make informed choices and decisions related to their health." Timothy Large, Director, Journalism and Media Programmes, Thomson Reuters Foundation

"I am honoured to have participated in the training programme. I feel lucky for having been given the opportunity to be trained and to learn from professional trainers. I learnt new journalistic skills and developed my technical abilities. I also realized the importance of respecting differences and having free media. Through this workshop I have greater hopes that we can reach quality and advanced health journalism in Libya. Many thanks to WHO for making it possible." Moataz Al Trabulsi, journalist, Libya.

"This training taught me a lot. During two weeks of continuous work in building knowledge and practice in journalism, I learnt a lot from the trainers and through the sharing of experiences with colleagues. During the mentoring period I was proud to have been chosen by the Arab Reporters for Investigative Journalism network (ARIJ) to participate in an advanced training course on investigative journalism.

It was my first introduction to this type of journalism, which was totally forbidden in Libya before the revolution. I have learnt many values in my profession to which I will be loyal. Many thanks to all my trainers and colleagues, and to WHO." Badri Al Ozi, journalist, Libya News Agency.

"From the very first day I learnt a number of tips about how to prepare a good news story. It's exciting to be given a chance to do more practical work and also learn more about health issues

in the Region. As a radio presenter who focuses on health topics, it's important I know more about public health issues in Libya." Dr Safeya Abdel Meguid Qashouta, presenter, Voice of Tripoli radio station, Libya.

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