

# Campaign for Open Media

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Dear Ameen

We are holding a meeting on Friday (June 19) at 5 pm in the COM office.

The purpose is to formulate an agenda for a joint workshop convened by COM and the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) to be held on June 24 and 25.

We are inviting to the workshop groups concerned with the development of new broadcast initiatives (but not excluding existing initiatives) in South Africa such as the Community Radio Working Group, FAWO, members of the NAB, SABC, etc. The workshop is being held since the FES, functioning as a broker, has been told by the European Community (EC) that it has funding available to help address the development and training needs of the broadcasting sector in South Africa.

FES has sent us a document outlining what they hope to achieve at the workshop. I am including this document for your information. Mainly the aim is to draft a project proposal for the EC to facilitate the establishment of a broadcast institute or network to co-ordinate all the broadcasting development initiatives.

So, if you are at all available, could you please attend. A lot of expectations have been raised as a consequence of this workshop and we will need to handle this workshop very carefully.

Regards  
Jeanette

*J. L. Minnie*