Dear Madam/Sir

This year’s [BIRN Summer School of Investigative Reporting](http://birnsummerschool.org/) will take place at the Astarea Hotel in Mlini, Croatia from August 20 until August 26, 2017.

**Top trainers**

The Summer School will bring together a superb line-up of journalists and trainers. The lead trainer will be [Blake Morrison](http://birnsummerschool.org/trainers-and-panelists/blake-morrison/), investigative projects editor at Reuters in New York and lecturer at Columbia University, New York.

Others trainers will include [Miranda Partucic](http://birnsummerschool.org/trainers-and-panelists/miranda-patrucic/), winner of many awards among which European Press Prize 2015, Christiaan Triebert, Bellingcat European Press Prize winner in 2017 and Henk van Ess, one of the world best trainers for using social media for investigations.

Please find full agenda at: <http://birnsummerschool.org/agenda/>

From day one, participants will work and collaborate actively in small groups to pitch an investigative story idea. All participants will have the opportunity to research and develop their idea into a full story.

**Application for international journalists**

The course fee of 790 euros is all-inclusive, covering tuition, room and all meals. The fee also includes BIRN’s textbook [‘Digging Deeper: A Guide for Investigative Journalists in the Balkans’](http://birnsummerschool.org/book-digging-deeper/). **Applications received by 15 July will be charged a reduced fee of 650 euros.**

Applications for scholarships must be received by July 28, 2017. Standard applications (for non-scholarship applicants) must be received by August 10, 2017.  
  
**Full scholarship for Balkan journalists**

**All Balkan journalists are eligible to apply for a scholarship that will cover accommodation, full board, participation fee and travel costs up to 100 euros.** International participants can apply for the Summer School as well, but they will need to pay the full participation fee.  
  
**And enjoy Croatian seaside**

The participants will spend a week in one of the oldest towns in Croatia, Dubrovnik famous for its cultural and historical heritage.

For more information about the enrolment requirements, trainers and agenda please check BIRN Summer School of Investigative Reporting page [www.birnsummerschool.org](http://www.birnsummerschool.org).

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