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## Training Outcomes

- Understand the differences in criteria, process and focus between standard and investigative reporting
- Able to verify, organise and use specific data, documents, and open sources for investigations
- Effectively interview and source information from people (human sources)
- Apply compelling narrative structures to present and write a hypothesis driven investigative story

## Syllabus

- Introduction to Investigative Journalism
- Organizing data and documents
- Using open sources
- Using human sources
- Fact checking and verification
- Writing effective stories



## How will the workshop be conducted?

- Experienced local and regional award-winning investigative journalists will be guest trainers for each module of the syllabus. They will cover each topic, while sharing real world experiences and tips.
- Participants are expected to bring their own story or issues that they would like to investigate, to the workshop.
- The workshop will be conducted online over a period of 4 days on consecutive Friday and Saturdays.

## About the main trainer

Khairil Yusof is an investigative data journalist and researcher working on applying innovative methods of open data and standards, for transparency and anti-corruption. In addition to developing and supporting journalists on investigative methods on corruption, he is also an experienced digital security trainer. He is the founder of Sinar Project, an organisation that collates patchy government statistics and turns them into usable data for the public and journalists. He has over 15 years of cross-practice and cross-sector experience implementing programmes for UN agencies, governments and civil society in Asia-Pacific including digital rights, human rights, labour rights, and environment.

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