Modern-Day Influential Journalists and Activists

Here's a list of 10 modern journalists and activists who may not be Nobel Prize winners but are influential in their respective fields. These individuals or organizations actively advocate for press freedom, privacy, and human rights:

Journalists:

1. ***Bastian Obermayer & Frederik Obermaier***



Known for: Breaking the Panama Papers investigation.

Region: Germany.

Contact: Süddeutsche Zeitung Investigative Journalism Unit.

2. ***Carole Cadwalladr***

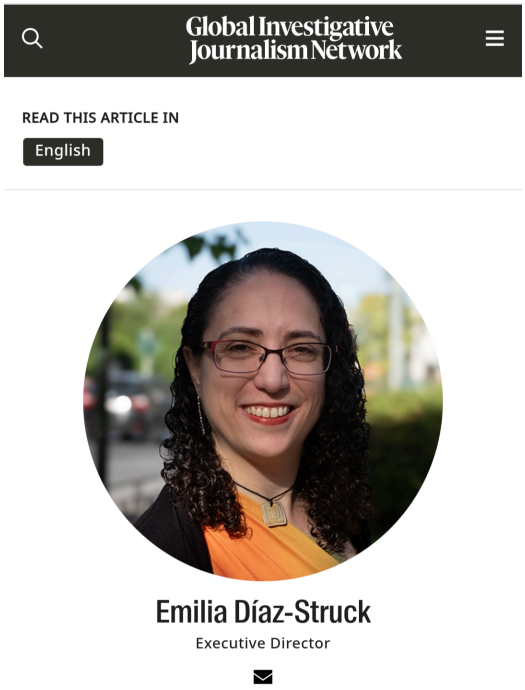
Carole Cadwalladr	
 Cadwalladr in 2019	
Born	Carole Jane Cadwalladr 1969 (age 55–56) Taunton, Somerset, England
Occupation	Journalist
Education	Radyr Comprehensive School
Alma mater	Hertford College, Oxford

Known for: Investigative work exposing Facebook-Cambridge Analytica scandals.

Region: UK.

Contact: The Guardian or Twitter (@carolecadwalla).

3. ***Emilia Díaz-Struck***



Known for: Investigative work with the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (ICIJ).

Region: Venezuela/Global.

4. ***Malachy Browne***



Double Pulitzer Prize-winning New York Times investigative journalist Malachy Browne, together with his colleagues from the Visual Investigations Unit that he co-founded, has pioneered a form of journalism that combines traditional reporting with the forensic analysis of digital evidence.

Known for: Visual investigations for The New York Times.

Region: USA.

5. ***Megha Rajagopalan***

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Article Talk

Megha Rajagopalan is an American journalist of Indian descent who works at The New York Times.[1] She won the 2021 Pulitzer Prize for International Reporting at BuzzFeed News "for a series of clear and compelling stories that used satellite imagery and architectural expertise, as well as interviews with two dozen former prisoners, to identify a vast new infrastructure built by the Chinese government for the mass detention of Muslims" (Uighurs).[2][3][4][5]



Megha Rajagopalan in 2021

Known for: Documenting human rights abuses in China’s Xinjiang region.

Region: USA/China.

Contact: BuzzFeed News.

Activists:

6. **Nathan Law**

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Law in 2017

Known for: Advocacy for democracy and freedom in Hong Kong.

Region: Hong Kong/UK.

7. **Sarah Harrison**

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Harrison at the 30th Chaos Communication Congress in Hamburg, 2013

Occupation	Journalist
Citizenship	United Kingdom
Alma mater	Queen Mary, University of London, City, University of London
Genre	News leaks
Subject	Human rights violations, global surveillance and security

Known for: Former WikiLeaks journalist, focuses on whistleblower safety.

Region: Germany/Global.

8. **Nighat Dad**



Known for: Founder of the Digital Rights Foundation, advocating online privacy for women.

Region: Pakistan.

9. **Jillian York**

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Born	May 18, 1982 (age 42)[1] Dover, New Hampshire, U.S.
Education	Binghamton University (BA)[2]
Occupation	Director of International Freedom of Expression at the Electronic Frontier Foundation
Board member of	IFEX[3]
Website	jilliancyork.com

Known for: Free expression and digital rights activism at EFF.

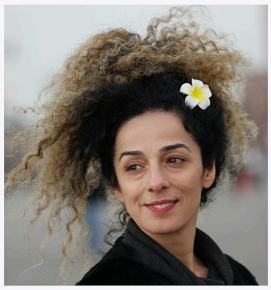
Region: USA.

10. **Masih Alinejad**

Masih Alinejad (Persian: مسیح علی‌نژاد, born **Masoumeh Alinejad-Ghomikolayi** (Persian: معصومه علی‌نژاد قمی‌کلایی), September 11, 1976[*citation needed*]) is an Iranian-American[4] journalist, author, and women's rights activist.[5][6] Alinejad works as a presenter/producer at Voice of America Persian News Network, a correspondent for Radio Farda, a frequent contributor for Manoto television, and a contributing editor for *IranWire*.[7] Alinejad focuses on criticism of the status of human rights in Iran, especially women's rights.[8] *Time* magazine named her among its 2023 honorees for Women of the Year.[9]

Masih Alinejad

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Alinejad in 2018

Born	Masoumeh Alinejad-Ghomikolayi September 11, 1976 (age 48) Qomi Kola, Babol, Imperial

Known for: Advocacy for women's rights and freedom in Iran.

Region: USA/Iran.

Action Plan: How to Outreach or Create Attention for Nym

Here’s how you can reach out to these individuals and generate awareness about Nym:

Step 1: Personalized Outreach

1. ***Research & Understand Their Work***

Follow their work on platforms like Twitter, Medium, or LinkedIn.

Understand their recent focus areas (e.g., freedom of expression, privacy laws).

Step 2: Create Public Awareness

1. ***Feature Their Stories***

Write case studies or blog posts showcasing how these individuals' causes align with Nym's mission.

Example:

"How Emilia Díaz-Struck's Investigative Journalism Aligns with Nym's Vision for Privacy."

Step 3 : Use Social Media

1**. Engage Their Followers**

Mention or tag them in posts that highlight privacy issues.

Example: "Tools like @NymProject are critical for investigative journalists like @carolecadwalla in protecting their sources."

2. Trending Topics

Link Nym to global events where privacy is critical, e.g., protests, internet shutdowns, or leaks.

Expected Impact

New user adoption as journalists and activists and also we can create attention or promote Nym’s tools. Long-term advocacy from respected voices, driving awareness in privacy-conscious circles. Targeting this people will Increased credibility through associations with known journalists and activists. That will help create new consumer and new people’s attention.