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**CONFERENCE ON SHARING EXPERIENCES REGARDING THE LOCAL LANGUAGE HUMOR PROJECT - CAMEROON, CAR - CHAD, AND CONGO BRAZZA.**

**[Yaounde, Bangui, N’Djamena, Brazzaville July july 24 2024] -** In order to strengthen the fight against fake news and misinformation, the Center for Communication and Sustainable Development for All (CECOSDA), through the Network of Community Journalists of Central Africa (JCAC), with financial support from the International Organization of La Francophonie – a program that promotes partnerships between French-speaking initiatives combating disinformation, is delighted to announce an upcoming conference for community journalists from Cameroon, the Central African Republic, Chad, and Congo Brazzaville. This sub-regional conference, focused on sharing experiences related to the project "Humor in Local Languages," will be held online on July 24, 2024, at 10:00 AM, in Bangui, Yaoundé, N'Djamena, and Brazzaville.

This conference aims to raise awareness through humor about the disorder of information and will encourage collaboration and networking among community journalists in Central Africa, as well as facilitate discussions on the project's challenges.

The conference will feature the participation of journalists from the Central Africa network of community journalists and representatives from the International Organization of La Francophonie (OIF). The event will be organized as an interactive webinar, encouraging participants to ask questions, exchange experiences, and actively engage in the conversation. Visual presentations such as PowerPoint slides may be used to aid in the understanding of the topics discussed. Participants will have the opportunity to promote a playful approach to combating misinformation through community journalists. The agenda for this conference will cover:

* Understand the scope and consequences of fake news in the media landscape of the subregion.;
* Share experiences among participants;
* Examine the current challenges and opportunities in raising awareness about information disorders through community radio and social media.;
* Suggest solutions and recommendations to address the identified challenges;

We invite all community journalists from network-jcac.net to participate in this conference. Participants are encouraged to register in advance via a Google Form that will be sent out via email to receive the connection details for the conference. We encourage you to sign up as soon as possible

For more information about the conference and to register, please contact, Mr. Mengn’he (cecosdacameroun@gmail.com) or Mr. NGONO BELONG DANIEL (reseaujcac@gmail.com).

