

## **Maguindanao Massacre Anniversary**

## **Activities in the Philippines**

Below is a summary of activities being organised by the National Union of Journalists of the Philippines (NUJP), an IFJ affiliate, to commemorate one year since the Ampatuan town massacre on November 23.

The activities aim to draw public attention to the massacre, explain the issues around it, and increase awareness within the media.

Note that the dates on some of these actions may change. A final agenda will be made available shortly before November 23.

**November 15:** Manila. Press Conference to launch the nationally coordinated commemoration of the massacre

**November 15:** Manila. Filing before the Supreme Court by media organisations and journalists of the petition to allow the live coverage of the Ampatuan trial.

**November 19:** Manila. Forum - *The Massacre, A Year After.* Panelists include media groups, lawyers, victims' families and survivors.

**November 20-23:** Social media campaign - Media and friends will be encouraged to change their profile pictures on Facebook 3 days before the anniversary, replacing it with an icon depicting the fight for justice for the victims.

November 20-26: Manila. Multi-media exhibition - Beyond the Massacre.

**November 21-22:** General Santos City. Media Risk Mapping Workshop, to be participated in by journalists from all over the country.

**November 22:** Manila. Benefit concert to raise funds to build a Memorial Shrine at the massacre site.

**November 23:** Maguindanao. Motorcade to retrace the route of the convoy that was attacked in the massacre, with a memorial service at the massacre site.

November 23: Manila. Torch Parade.

**November 23:** Nation-wide. Simultaneous protest marches in at least 35 urban centres, led by NUJP chapters.