

PARAGUAY
SWOT Analysis

STRENGTHS	<p>The regulatory framework to promote and demand public information is adequate. Alternative media promote plurality and independence. Cases of violence against journalists are systematized through the Working Group for the Safety of Journalists. Sustainable Development Goals (Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible, ODS) 16.10.1 6 16.10.2 are followed up through the Working Group for the Safety of Journalists.</p>
WEAKNESSES	<p>The legal framework to prevent media concentration is insufficient. The legal framework to adopt protection measures against threats or violence against journalists is also insufficient. The Working Group for the Protection of Journalist turns out to be informal. The bill on protection of journalists has too slow a progress. The Specialized Human Rights Unit shows weakness.</p>
OPPORTUNITIES	<p>Justice workers are being trained in an ongoing manner. Technological mechanisms are in place for better use of the right to access information. Civil society constantly cooperates in fostering the protection of journalists. Prosecutors have been instructed to investigate cases of aggressions against journalists.</p>
THREATS	<p>Journalists are not warned early in cases where their lives and integrity may be at risk. Media lack independence, while they show excessive concentration. Some regulations in force indirectly restrict freedom of expression. Impunity is constant. The criminal-law framework is inadequate to prosecute violence against journalists.</p>

