## International Bill of Human Rights



Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive, and impart information and ideas through any media regardless of frontiers.

Article 19, Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948)

- 1. Everyone shall have the right to hold opinions without interference.
- 2. Everyone shall have the right to freedom of expression; this right shall include freedom to seek, receive and impart information and ideas of all kinds, regardless of frontiers, either orally, in writing or in print, in the form of art, or through any other media of his choice.
- 3. The exercise of the rights provided for in paragraph 2 of the article carries with it special duties and responsibilities. It may therefore be subject to certain restrictions, but these shall only be such as are provided by law and are necessary:
- (a) For respect of the rights or reputations of others;
- (b) For the protection of national security or of public order (order public), or of public health or morals.

Article 19, International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966)



# African Regional Human Rights system



- 1. Every individual shall have the right to receive information.
- 2. Every individual shall have the right to express and disseminate his opinions within the law

Article 9, African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (1981)

In order to advance political, economic and social governance, State Parties shall commit themselves to ... Promoting freedom of expression, in particular freedom of the press and fostering a professional media.

Article 27 (8), African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance (2007)



## Constitution of Angola



- 1- Freedom of the press shall be guaranteed, and may not be subject to prior censorship, namely of a political, ideological or artistic nature.
- 2- The state shall ensure plural expression, imposing different ownerships and editorial diversity in the media.
- 3- The state shall ensure the existence and the independent and qualitatively competitive functioning of a public radio and television service.
- 4- The law shall establish the forms by which freedom of the press shall be exercised.

Article 44, Constitution of the Republic of Angola (2010)



## How to measure press freedom

Legal environment

Laws and regulations that can influence media content and the extent to which they are used to either enable or restrict the media's ability to operate.

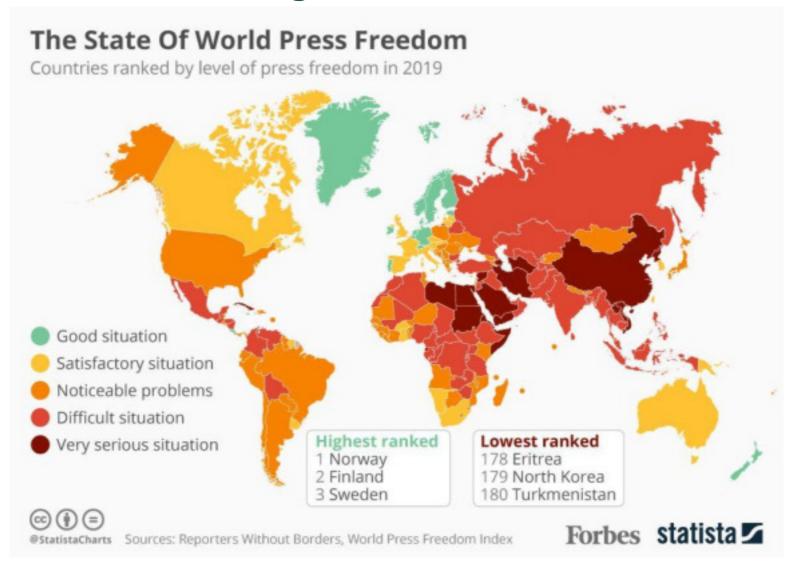
Political environment

Degree of political influence on the content of news media.

**Economic** environment

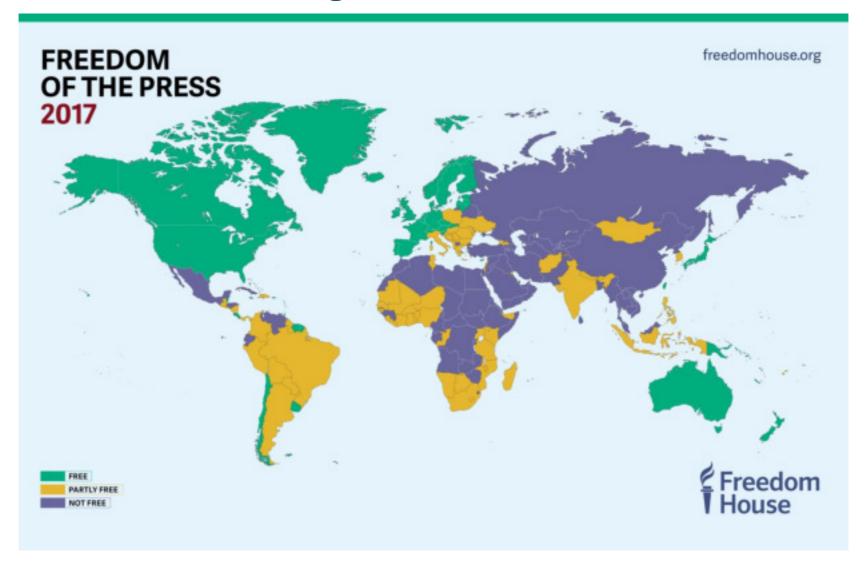
Structure of media ownership, transparency of ownership, effect of the country's economic situation on the development and sustainability of the media.

## Press freedom rankings: Global

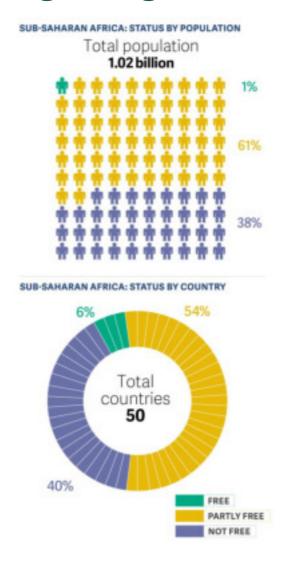




## Press freedom rankings: Global



## Press freedom rankings: Regional





#### Press freedom rankings: Angola



