



Audiences in 21 countries, including Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, and Russia rely on RFE/RL's programs for reliable, multi-platform reporting of local, regional and global events.

Overview

- **RFE/RL broadcasts to 21 countries in 28 languages:**
Albanian, Arabic, Armenian, Avar, Azerbaijani, Bashkir, Belarusian, Bosnian, Chechen, Circassian, Crimean Tatar, Croatian, Dari, Georgian, Kazakh, Kyrgyz, Macedonian, Montenegrin, Pashto, Persian, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Tajik, Tatar, Turkmen, Ukrainian, Uzbek
- **Coverage:** Approximately 1,200 hours/week via radio (AM, FM, UKW, SW, cable, satellite), Internet (24 websites), television, mobile, social media
- **Audience:** 23.4 million/week (FY 2012)
- **Budget:** \$95.2 million (FY 2012)
- **Employees:** 500+ employees in Prague and Washington. 19 local bureaus with a total of 240 journalists and over 700 freelancers and stringers.

RFE/RL Accomplishments and Initiatives

- Radio Azadi, the Afghan service, is among the most popular and trusted media outlets in Afghanistan, with a market share of over 62 percent in FY2011.
- Radio Mashaal, RFE/RL's newest service, marks three years providing Pashto programming targeting youth and countering extremism in the regions along Pakistan's border with Afghanistan.
- Radio Farda's Persian language website receives over 10 million page views every month – one third via anti-filtering software from users inside Iran – and engages over half a million fans on Facebook.
- Radio Svoboda is a key alternative to state-controlled media in Russia, with a growing social media presence and web audiences averaging 3.7 million visitors and 8 million page views per month in FY2012.
- RFE/RL's Georgian Service, in partnership with USAID and IREX, opened the Radio Tavisupleba Media School in April 2012 to provide cutting-edge training to young journalists in the region.
- RFE/RL and the Czech Republic launched the Vaclav Havel Journalism Fellowship program in 2012 to promote and strengthen professional, independent journalism in and around Europe.

International Awards

- 2012 "Courage in Journalism" award from the International Women's Media Foundation to Khadija Ismayilova, RFE/RL Azerbaijani Service.
- 2012 Hellman/Hammitt grant awarded to RFE/RL correspondent Dovletmyrat Yazkulyev for his fearless reporting in Turkmenistan, one of the world's most closed societies.
- 2012 "Highly Commended" for the Association of International Broadcasters' "The AIBs" award as "Best Radio Current Affairs Documentary," to Radio Farda for "Solitary Confinement," the true story of a man born in prison who is himself jailed and tortured after the 2009 presidential election.
- 2011 "Best Announcer Presentation, Silver Medal" and "Best Regularly Scheduled Talk Program, Silver Medal" from the New York Festivals to Farshid Manafi and Radio Farda's "Pas Farda" program.

Organization/Oversight

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