

# Chapter 11

## INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM

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### INTRODUCTION

Today, there is an important problem of trust and legitimacy in the field of journalism. This problem is mainly due to the divergence of its functions, which is the reason of journalism, in the context of its political, political and advertising responsibilities. Newspaper owners and journalists forget their public duties and act entirely as a commercial institution. The most rational way to overcome these problems is the realization of an important transformation in the understanding and practice of journalism. New communication technologies have been the pioneers of this transformation, particularly in the field of internet journalism, and have become the main instrument of investigative journalism, an important revolution in journalism. In this context, new media environments where information cannot be censored constitute a favorable environment for investigative journalism.

In today's world, where information is an extremely important force, new communication technologies have brought about important transformations in journalism understanding and practice. New technologies that allow for independent journalism from the concept of time and space have created an alternative media environment. Especially in this environment, internet has become an important actor in gaining the image and trust lost by journalism.

New media environments have provided unrestricted and uncensored access to a uniform, biased and dependent news structure. These environments which enable the production of news at any time and everywhere have created a favorable environment for investigative journalism. This environment makes it possible to have access to any confidential information that is kept confidential. In this context, the new media is the main tool for investigative journalism.

Investigative journalism is an important road map that will ensure the rights and freedoms of the public in the functioning of democracy today. Investigative

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