

## **The Prize for Journalism and Democracy 2001**

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The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly established the Prize in 1996 at the initiative of Mr. Freimut Duve, now OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media. The purpose of the Prize is to promote the principles of free journalism as laid down in the OSCE Budapest Declaration in 1994.

The Prize has previously been awarded to Mr. Adam Michnik in 1996, "Reporters sans Frontières" in 1997, Mr. Timothy Garton Ash in 1998, Ms. Christiane Amanpour in 1999 and Mr. Andrei Babitsky in 2000.

Both journalists were outstanding personalities who tried to further the values of the OSCE by intervening in conflicts and secretive political environments through their writing. By awarding this prize the OSCE will be sending a strong signal against unfortunate growing international trend of censorship by threats and killing.

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