



SATELLITE PROJECTS

PROJECT

Breaking through the wall of censorship to save lives
and transmit the voice of the Iranian people

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Television project of the Welle association – Year 2025

1. Introduction

In the Islamic Republic of Iran, comprehensive censorship, internet blocking, state propaganda, and the suppression of freedom of expression are central tools used by the regime to prevent popular protests and maintain political power.

Every time people take to the streets, the internet is shut down, journalists are arrested, and the truth remains hidden.

Under these circumstances, the Welle association is working with an independent 24-hour satellite television station called "**Simaye Azadi**" to be at the forefront of breaking through the censorship wall.

This collaboration is a vital tool for amplifying people's voices, exposing human rights violations, and maintaining the spirit of resistance within Iranian society.

2. Projektziele

- **Censorship-free information for the Iranian people:**
Satellite transmissions provide millions of people in Iran with access to free information.
- **Exposing human rights violations by the Iranian regime:**
Continuous reporting on executions, torture, repression of protesters, and discrimination against minorities and women.
- **Media support for political prisoners and their families:**
The voices of the victims' families are made heard worldwide and the catastrophic situation in Iranian prisons is documented.
- **Crisis communication during internet shutdowns:**
The transmitter serves as the only means of communication in times of complete internet shutdowns.
- **Strengthening hope and civil resistance:**
Cultural and human rights programs encourage the population to actively participate in civil resistance.



• Exposing environmental crimes against Iran:

The Welle association produces and broadcasts documentaries about the massive environmental destruction:

- Destruction of forests and pastures, drying up of lakes such as Lake Urmia
- Water shortages and subsidence in over 30 provinces
- Damage to ecological infrastructures through mismanagement and uncontrolled projects

This environmental destruction is not only an ecological disaster, but a crime against the right to life and health of future generations.

3. Achievements in 2024

- Extensive coverage of the Tuesdays Against Executions campaign, focusing on more than 25 prisons and hundreds of vulnerable inmates
- Exposing secret executions and mobilizing international human rights organizations
- Dissemination of reports in international media and increase of official condemnations against the regime
- Communication support for protest movements during internet shutdowns
- Saving lives through rapid information about the situation of political prisoners

4. Significance of the project in 2025

Last year alone, more than **1,000** people were executed in Iran.

The regime uses censorship as a weapon to suppress dissent. This media project is one of the few remaining tools of resistance—comparable to the resistance radio stations in World War II: It brings hope, truth, and a call to perseverance.

5. Financing needs for 2025

850,000 euros is needed to continue this vital project :

- **Annual satellite contract:** 400,000 euros
- **Production of daily programs, reports and human rights documentaries:** 450,000 euros

Cost breakdown:

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- Monthly: 70,833 euros
- Weekly: 16,346 euros
- Daily: 2,329 euros

6. Call for support

We invite all individuals, human rights organizations, and international foundations to join this project.

With every donation, a wall of censorship will be broken, a prisoner's voice will be heard, and hope will be kept alive in millions of Iranian hearts. Your support today is an investment in a freer and more humane future.

With kind regards from

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