

Appendix

Excellence in Reporting on Women's Issues

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	International New York Times	Bloomberg News
Title of Entry:	The plight of Afghanistan's women	Wife on Run From Pakistan Honor Killing Says No One Can Escape
Award Recipients:	Alissa J. Rubin	Khurram Anis, Kamran Haider
Judge Comment:	A nearly perfect triptych of stories, each beginning with an Afghan woman facing death with bravery and nobility that illustrates in a profoundly moving fashion the plight of women in a tradition-bound and repressive culture. But this series goes even further by testifying to the cultural arrogance that has doomed the Western effort to remake that culture in its own image.	This story required brave investigative reporting in situations of real danger.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	South China Morning Post	Thomson Reuters Foundation
Title of Entry:	Scars of a nation	Women in the Workforce
Award Recipients:	Verna Yu	Nita Bhalla
Judge Comment:	A powerful and authoritative look at the legacy of the one-child policy in China. Very good use of testimony from victims, as well as the historical and cultural contexts that led to the adoption of the policy. The reporter reminds us that while the world seemed to breathe a sigh of relief when China relaxed the one-child policy rule, the unintended economic and emotional consequences of mass forced abortions have not yet been fully realized. Experts in the story	A well - conceived series looking at the challenges women face in the work force in India; how things are changing but deep-seated gender biases are not being monitored and there are stark inconsistencies in a society where women are inspired to join non-traditional work places such as the fire brigade, yet others joining the police force face endemic sexual harassment. Good mix of themes and well-chosen subjects showing the abhorrent conditions women in garment mills

	<p>say the policy's damage surpasses impacts of other historical calamities such as the Great Famine in 1959-1961 and the Cultural Revolution. Verna Yu's writing and reporting encapsulates the violation of women's rights and the impacts over a policy that economic experts now say didn't result in the significant economic effect in the end that authorities desired, yet her writing conveys the magnitude without being overly dramatic.</p>	<p>face to manufacture clothes worn by those in the west.</p>
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Group C

Award for Excellence

Honorable Mention

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The New York Times Chinese 纽约时报中文网	Business Today 今周刊
Title of Entry:	"Chinese Birth Tourism" series “海外生子热”系列报道	Would Tsai Ing-wen make a good president for Taiwan? 蔡英文行不行
Award Recipients:	曹莉	劉俞青、郭淑媛、鄭閔聲、張佳婷、洪依婷
Judge Comment:	Spotlight trending social issue, diversified interviewing subjects, well supported data and infographics.	A comprehensive coverage of the new Taiwan leader

Excellence in Digital News

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	International New York Times	The Wall Street Journal
Title of Entry:	The Outlaw Ocean	Major Risks to Flying in Asia
Award Recipients:	Text by Ian Urbina; Video by Shannon Service, Basil Childers, Greg Kwedar, Ben Laffin and Alexandra Garcia; Photographs by Adam Dean, Hannah Reyes and Amrita Chandradas.	Daniel Stacey, Marc Lajoie, MinJung Kim, Patrick Barta, Rosa de Acosta, Warangkana Chomchuen & Diana Jou
Judge Comment:	A masterpiece in words and visuals. A compelling and heart-breaking story beautifully told using visual tools with finesse and subtlety to complement the story rather than distract from it. A monumentally ambitious project that is stunningly presented. The visuals add a depth and emotional impact to the text that would be unachievable on its own.	This is a visually creative project combined with good reporting and a variety of media. The navigation is engaging and clever and the story is enhanced by the digital components. A must read story innovatively told creatively using digital tools for maximum interest and impact.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Australian Doctor	South China Morning Post
Title of Entry:	The Fallout: the medical aftermath of Hiroshima	Marciel: A maid's tale
Award Recipients:	Paul Smith and Australian Doctor editorial team	Robin Fall and Kristine Servando
Judge Comment:	Excellent recapitulation of a 70-year-old tragedy using words, images and reader feedback to great effect. Absolutely fantastic interactive rendition of the bombing and its after-effects. Incredibly well-done.	A heart-rending tale of the sufferings of an underprivileged third world woman striving to eke out a dignified living. The story has been brought alive on our tablets and desktops by an intelligent crafting of videos, photographs and the written word.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Caixin.com 财新网	The Paper 澎湃新闻
Title of Entry:	China's Property Market Report: A Decade of Ups and Downs 从调控到刺激 楼市十年轮回	The Three Gorges 三峡
Award Recipients:	记者：陈嘉慧，设计：聂亦凝（实习）、冷斌， 开发：聂亦凝（实习）、魏春元，编辑：黎慧玲， 监制：黄志敏、黄晨	夏佑至、陈曦、刘建平、寇聪、许海峰、程艺 辉、李洋洋、王基伟、姚勇、龙慧、张金伟、王 国庆、江锦、季国亮、蔺涛
Judge Comment:	Love the calculator! The sheer amount of data crunching for this project is admirable. Housing has been China's hottest issue for more than a decade. But to carry it beyond opinions and policies reporting, this package uses code but vivid numbers to approach one of the China's most important economic and social topic, deciphering it from so many lenses that any Chinese resident can both get a comprehensive view and information relevant to him/herself.	Well use of all forms. Each photo stories and videos are short and sweet enough that any attention-deficit reader can digest the message, both on an informative and humanistic level.

Excellence in Human Rights Reporting

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Guardian	International New York Times
Title of Entry:	The strange disappearance of a publisher who riled China's elite	The Outlaw Ocean
Award Recipients:	Oliver Holmes and Tom Phillips	Ian Urbina
Judge Comment:	This reporting sparks off news with significance in human rights and the freedom of political speech which is still developing to date. It shows an in-depth reporting pulling into the interviews and records which are hard to collect.	This series provides excellent, firsthand reporting of appalling conditions in commercial fishing in Asia. Several stories are taut and guilt-inducing for readers unaware of where their pet food -- or own dinner -- may be coming from. Ian Urbina's stories bring to light horrific standards for men seeking a living at sea and should help stigmatize this widespread form of human trafficking in the region. Outstanding work.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Bangkok Post Sunday, Spectrum	The Phnom Penh Post
Title of Entry:	Military mind games play out under strict insecurity	High fashion's human cost
Award Recipients:	Nanchanok Wongsamuth	Alice Cuddy, Taing Vida; photographs by Kimberly McCosker
Judge Comment:	Very clearly written accounts, given on the record, by a succession of people who faced days-long interrogation without the benefit of counsel. Topical, well-reported, -written and -presented, and, given how Thailand was once very open not only at home but to the outside world, widely relevant. "Military mind games" takes a timely idea and shapes it into a compelling narrative based on sound research and extensive reporting. It	Superb investigative journalism into the physical abuse of workers to hold down the cost of Armani products

	takes us behind closed doors to see what critics of the Thai military government face every day.	
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Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Ming Pao 明報	Apple Daily Hong Kong 香港蘋果日報
Title of Entry:	Elderly Stripped Naked on Rooftop, Waiting to Be Showered 長者遭脫光露天等沖涼	Love with Disabilities 【有愛無陷】系列
Award Recipients:	明報偵查報道組	程詩敏、陳意軒、黃文邦、王俊龍、朱家俊、陳子聰、郭威廉
Judge Comment:	Great investigative report exposed the plight of ill-treated elderly in HK.	Care about social vulnerable group which demonstrate the social responsibility of media.

Excellence in Feature Writing

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Wall Street Journal	The Associated Press
Title of Entry:	Why China Is Turning Back to Confucius	Family Stunts Disabled Daughter's Growth to Expand Her World
Award Recipients:	Jeremy Page	Kristen Gelineau
Judge Comment:	An excellent explication of a major part of the "China dream".	Heartbreaking, a totally new subject matter and excellently written.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Cambodia Daily	South China Morning Post
Title of Entry:	Moving Dirt: A lucrative dirt trade is leaving gaping holes in communities	Rock star tutors
Award Recipients:	Julia Wallace, Kuch Naren and Chhorn Chansy, with photographs by Ben Woods	Shirley Zhao
Judge Comment:	A beautifully written and poignant story story about ... dirt. Very interesting insight into an obscure problem that clearly affects many poor Cambodians. Well researched and written, with fascinating observations on Cambodian culture. Fantastic descriptive writing and compelling reporting of this serious story. The team did a brilliant job of putting a human face on the issue. The photos were outstanding.	An enterprising and meticulously reported story that takes readers behind the scenes in the increasingly cut-throat world of crams schools - and the rock star wages the very best of the tutors receive. Fascinating insight into one of Hong Kong's major industries. Well researched and a lively read.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	CommonWealth Magazine 天下雜誌	Ming Pao Weekly 明周
Title of Entry:	Hunting Down the Turncoat: The Liang Meng-song Story 獵殺叛將	Rugged Road to Recovery for Patients with Serious Mental Illness 精神病患 復元崎嶇路
Award Recipients:	陳良榕	陳伊敏
Judge Comment:	This excellent feature takes a deep dive into the intense rivalry between Taiwan's TSMC and its arch-rival Samsung Electronics' semiconductor division. It tells a tale of monumental struggle and is a tale worth reading indeed! Good job Commonwealth Magazine.	The article does an excellent job exploring the stigma and challenges that psychiatric patients suffer in Hong Kong. It sensitively traces the lives of several mental illness sufferers and their families as they traverse the system and brings out the compassion in all of us with good story telling. Good job!

Excellence in Magazine Design

Group A

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Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Esquire Singapore	Tasting Kitchen
Title of Entry:	The Tasteful Issue	TK18 Formosa Influence
Award Recipients:	Esquire Singapore	Alicia Beebe
Judge Comment:	A highly complete visual solution to the chosen main theme. Beautifully set and created unique design with style. Good matches of typographic layouts, imageries and illustrations.	Extraordinary art direction of photography. A good complement of classic layout design.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	China Life Magazine 《生活月刊》	The Outlook Magazine 《新视线》
Title of Entry:	Pioneers Shaping Modern China 现代先声	India 印度
Award Recipients:	编辑/设计：生活月刊	设计师：郭静/刘兆娜/霍志敏/赵宏韬
Judge Comment:	Great use of illustrations, old photos, and nicely laid-out package.	A colorful design to bring us multiple perspectives of India.

Excellence in Lifestyle Coverage

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Economist	TIME Asia
Title of Entry:	Park Life: A day in the life of one of Beijing's few green spaces	China's Other Women
Award Recipients:	Rosie Blau	Hannah Beech
Judge Comment:	<p>Judge A - A brilliant piece that records the lifestyle of a cross-section of Beijingers through a rich description of the people who populate a park in the Chinese capital at different hours of the day.</p> <p>Judge B - As someone who once lived near Ritan park and walked through it regularly, I scrutinized the piece particularly closely for accuracy and nuance. It was spot on and beautifully written. Terrific idea to tell the Beijing lifestyle story through this small park.</p>	<p>Chinese mistresses make for a far more interesting lifestyle topic than flat whites. This typically well written, professionally reported and fact-dense Time piece is enhanced by some jaw-dropping factoids that kept me riveted until the last sentence.</p>

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	DestinAsian	Hong Kong Tatler
Title of Entry:	"The Life Aquatic"; "First Footprints"; "Secrets of the Sulu Sea"	The Eleventh Hour
Award Recipients:	Christopher Hill, Kendall Hill, Johnny Langenheim	Melissa Twigg
Judge Comment:	<p>This story truly told the tale of a journey in a way that could be visualized while reading. It gave the reader a sense of the people of the area by putting them centrally into the narrative rather than having them as bystanders. The first-person tone lent the story a conspiratorial note -- as in, come here, I have something interesting to tell you.</p>	<p>Nicely written, very nice drawings and strong subject matter</p>

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Ming Pao Weekly 明周	CommonWealth Magazine 天下雜誌
Title of Entry:	Tattoo and Identity 《紋身 紋心》	Fashion Now & Next 揭開倫敦、米蘭時尚學
Award Recipients:	陳伊敏	馬岳琳、周敏、辜樹仁、張詠晴、李郁欣、謝明玲
Judge Comment:	Original and creative angle along with diversified interviewing subjects. An artistic approach to interpret the tattoo as a revelation of identity. A well combination and design of the words with photos has conveyed a pleasant shock to the audience. Dramatic photos take the masks off an under-looked area - tattoos. Well-reported with rich culture and social contexts."	An in-depth look into London and Milan Fashion Week from a commercial perspective with adequate interview has left the readers pondering over the trends of fashion industry.

Excellence in Explanatory Reporting

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	International New York Times	Financial Times
Title of Entry:	The China Factor	Migrant Miracle Series
Award Recipients:	Keith Bradsher, Clifford Krauss, Dionne Searcey, Adam Nossiter and Jane Perlez	Jamil Anderlini, Gabriel Wildau, Charles Clover and Patti Waldmeir
Judge Comment:	<p>The New York Times series on Global China was an exceptional effort, rich in its reporting, reflecting a significant commitment of resources to telling the story of China's attempt to become a global economic power. The geographic scope of the series was impressive and the writing was consistently excellent, with detail, sense of place, multiple voices and showing dedication to illuminating the underside of China's bid for economic influence. I was particularly impressed with two pieces -- the story of the Chinese effort to create the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, which provided an inside look at the key Chinese figure in this effort and the American response that significantly altered my understanding of this process; and the sharply drawn tale of Chinese investment in Ecuador and the tensions and problems that have arisen out of the dependency on China. Other parts of the series were also well done, such as the piece on Chinese real estate investment in the U.S. It was a truly superior example of how to do explanatory journalism.</p>	<p>Most of the entries are great journalism work focusing on the momentous issues facing China and Myanmar, exploring their far-reaching political, economic, and social implications, which can be felt around the globe in many ways. I am truly impressed by the End of Migrant Miracle Series, which are well planned, well researched, and well written. The stories are told with a great human touch, bringing to life how the mass migration is changing China.</p>

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	South China Morning Post	Bangkok Post Sunday, Spectrum
Title of Entry:	Ni hao (hello) Colombo	Thailand's junta silencing its critics
Award Recipients:	Debasish Roy Chowdhury	Nanchanok Wongsamuth and Chaiyot Yongcharoenchai
Judge Comment:	"Excellent and well-written... China's failure to win love from its trading partners, despite pumping money in, as in this case a port some see as a white elephant project, is all the more crucial as President Xi's regime embarks on his one-road-one-belt plan to build infrastructure across many countries..."	Fascinating piece on how academics and journalists in Thailand are getting frequent "invitations" by the military to undergo "attitude adjustment" sessions. This is an important story on life in one of the world's most popular tourist destinations under military rule.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Global Views Monthly 遠見雜誌	CommonWealth Magazine 天下雜誌
Title of Entry:	One Belt One Road: Unlocking ASEAN's Business Opportunities 一帶一路 啟動東協新商機	From the Lost Banana Kingdom to the Blooming Orchid Industry: Taiwan's Agricultural Development Strategy in the Global Environment 台灣農業傳奇全球大戰三部曲
Award Recipients:	邱莉燕、彭杏珠、林讓均	呂國禎、程晏鈴、司徒嘉慧
Judge Comment:	Well-organized reporting and great use of data. A comprehensive coverage of an important topic.	A brilliant examination of the food economics starting from a tiny yellow banana.

Excellence in News Photography

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Reuters	Agence France-Presse
Title of Entry:	Myanmar Migrants	On Mount Everest, Surviving an Earthquake and an Avalanche
Award Recipients:	Soe Zeya Tun	Roberto Schmidt
Judge Comment:	In a single photograph Soe Zeya Tun captures struggle, desperation and hope. The tropical rain, the exuberant men who welcome the fresh water, the attempts to fill the plastic bottles, all the different facial expressions. It's an important and meaningful moment, all very nicely framed.	Outstanding example of photography that captures the moment. Despite extreme risks for himself, Roberto Schmidt documented the very moment of the quake and its devastating effects. His photographs remind us of the overwhelming power of nature and how journalists must constantly keep cool heads in the presence of such power.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Philippine Daily Inquirer	Malaysiakini
Title of Entry:	Holy Cow!	Bersih 4 in Pictures
Award Recipients:	Marianne Bermudez	Malaysiakini Team
Judge Comment:	A great shot.	There is strong graphic imagery in the photographs capturing the event in a decisive way.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Ming Pao 明報	Apple Daily Taiwan
Title of Entry:	Former Chief Executive Donald Tsang charged over corruption allegations 前特首曾蔭權 被廉署落案起訴	Taiwan Formosa Water Park Explosion: Rescuing of Casualties 八仙樂園粉塵爆炸-傷者搶救
Award Recipients:	鍾林枝	何柏均
Judge Comment:	Can't keep my eyes off this picture! Precise capture of the subject has brought the vibrant vibe to live.	This picture makes me sad.

Excellence in Business Reporting

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Associated Press	International New York Times
Title of Entry:	The Double-Dealers Behind China's Counterfeiting Industry, an AP Investigation	The China Factor
Award Recipients:	Erika Kinetz	Keith Bradsher, Clifford Krauss, Dionne Searcey and Adam Nossiter
Judge Comment:	This is a remarkable, deeply reported investigation into the numerous parties who are involved in facilitating China's vast counterfeiting industry. It is comprehensive and beautifully written. Excellent journalism.	Solid reporting on the important influence of China in different economies around the world.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Myanmar Times	The Myanmar Times
Title of Entry:	Myanmar's currency crisis	US relaxes sanctions on Myanmar port
Award Recipients:	Aye Thidar Kyaw, Jeremy Mullins, Clare Hammond and Guy Dinmore	Clare Hammond
Judge Comment:	The team at the Myanmar Times contributed through their reporting to a significant change in central bank policy - a rare feat in societies where media pressure is either non-existent or is brushed off by authorities.. A fine example of a local newspaper working as a team to keep its subscribers informed about a dollar-and-cents issue. Insight into the mindset of Myanmar's central bank as it dealt with the unfolding crisis. To have landed a scoop that the IMF was privately reversing course on its rosy view of the country's economy in light of currency mismanagement was impressive.	The potential implications for Myanmar and for companies doing business with the country are significant." "Excellent journalism by a small paper that called out the hypocrisy of a global superpower's policy in the paper's backyard."

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Southern Weekly 南方周末	30 Monthly Magazine 30 Monthly Magazine
Title of Entry:	Anbang Route 安邦路线	Global Innovation and Entrepreneurial Map 全球創新創業地圖
Award Recipients:	李微敖、吕明合	Catherine Cheng, Hsu Jen Chuan, Chengi Fang, April Wang, Roxy Hong, Jessie Liu, SzuMin Wu, Kao Chia Mei, Ling Ying Lin, Valcan Ke, Li-Heng Kwan, Mandy Cheng
Judge Comment:	Very in-depth investigative reporting, detailed, clear, to reveal an unusual sequence of events inside the emerging business empire. It is especially hard to carry out this investigative reporting in mainland China, thus makes the piece more commendable.	The financial crisis in 2008 maybe a sign of the elapsing of the old economy. As the world economy growth slowed down even though the major national banks are easing the monetary policy, people are waiting for a new economy and industry system. Many competing entries this year are exploring how this trend will grow to bring light to the future of the world economy. This work briefly illustrated how Seoul, Singapore, and the American Silicon Valley were able to stand out in the competition. Data used to compare the innovation competence of each metropolitans was well supported by macro analysis as well as micro case studies, which provided the readers with a grand vision of the future development of economy transformation, along with the changes in values towards human life.

Excellence in Information Graphics

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	International New York Times	The Wall Street Journal
Title of Entry:	The World According to China	Major Risks to Flying in Asia
Award Recipients:	Gregor Aisch, Josh Keller and K.K. Rebecca Lai	Daniel Stacey, Marc Lajoie, MinJung Kim, Patrick Barta, Rosa de Acosta, Warangkana Chomchuen & Diana Jou
Judge Comment:	By exploring China's most risky investments, and its growing global influence, the graphic shows how the 'China factor' may have stymied the World Bank's efforts to affect economic reform and impose environmental standards.	This story hits the sweet spot for how people consume news and information today. Through in-depth reporting, video, photography, aerial maps, charts and graphs, animation and interactive timelines, the reader is immersed in the graphic. Following a hypothetical flight path the story details the dangers and risks each of us faces whenever we take a flight in Asia. The icing on the cake is the shadow the airplane casts on the Earth's surface as you scroll through the article creating just the right tone by adding a dash of humour to a deadly serious topic. This graphic has it all and sets a hell of a high bar for visual storytelling.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	TODAY	South China Morning Post
Title of Entry:	Rohingyas' painful exodus	To the rhythm of the drum
Award Recipients:	Adolfo Arranz	Alberto Lucas Lopez
Judge Comment:	Great work on a terrible series of events in our region. The mapping shows the region-wide scope of the Bay of Bengal migrant crisis, and a range of graphical techniques are utilized to explain various details of the story. The main image is a powerful focal point of the graphic pulling in the reader into the human tragedy that unfolded in front of our eyes.	Another classic of the hand-drawn, visually powerful, information-rich style that the SCMP have made a reputation in.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Initium Media 端傳媒	Ming Pao 明報
Title of Entry:	Decoding Hong Kong Legislative Council: The Implications of 200,000 Voting Records 《20 萬條投票紀錄帶你解碼香港立法會》	Hong Kong Housing Remains Unaffordable Despite a Year of Downturn 轉角一年 港未安居
Award Recipients:	端 Lab	王炳言、曾祥泰
Judge Comment:	A smart, creative, and fantastic information graphic work to show the political spectrum of Hong Kong based on the voting records of Legislative Council. It has been well circulated and welcome among online readers.	An interesting illustration of new year projection by combining numbers and Hong Kong icons.

Excellence in Reporting Breaking News

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	International New York Times	Reuters
Title of Entry:	Rohingya Migrants From Myanmar, Shunned by Malaysia, Are Spotted Adrift in Andaman Sea	Earthquake on the Roof of the World
Award Recipients:	Thomas Fuller and Joe Cochrane	Gopal Sharma, Ross Adkin, Sanjeev Miglani, Andrew MacAskill and Douglas Busvine
Judge Comment:	This is just a tremendous story. Great enterprise and creativity to find these guys and get to them. It changed the Rohingya story and is a fine example of what a reporter can do with support from his news organization.	When the Nepal earthquake hit, Reuters had reporters there on the scene from day one, and the very first story captured the human dimension of the tragedy, including the Nepalese tour guide who had just returned home from mountain biking when the earth shook, the Indian tourist in Katmandu and the villager whose home area was completely destroyed. Poignant stories filed under deadline pressure, and continuous reporting through the year, made the Reuters file stand out from the rest.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	South China Morning Post	The Myanmar Times
Title of Entry:	Shenzhen landslide	Police crackdown on student protesters
Award Recipients:	Jun Mai, He Huifeng, Zhuang Pinghui, Mimi Lau, Zhen Liu, Li Jing	Mratt Kyaw Thu, Zarni Phyo, Wa Lone, Guy Dinmore, Yola Verbruggen
Judge Comment:	Solid reporting and clear writing. Put events in context. I felt after reading these stories that I understood what had happened, why and what the consequences were. Beyond the main news story, I was impressed by the "sidebars" that the paper produced to try to give the reader a broader understanding of the multiple elements that a man-made	Vivid, clear and compelling coverage.

	disaster such as this in China inevitably involves.	
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Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Ming Pao 明報	CommonWealth Magazine 天下雜誌
Title of Entry:	The Landslide Incident at Shenzhen Guangming New District 深圳光明新區塌泥事件	The Ma-Xi Meeting: Political Theater or Meaningful Moment? 九二共識的逆襲
Award Recipients:	明報港聞組、中國組、攝影組	陳一姍、李明軒、呂國禎、辜樹仁、李映昕、余佩樺、王珉瑄、吳琬瑜
Judge Comment:	Detail . able to solve the difficulties. Very clear and thorough reporting. Excellent use of aerial shots together with the satellite photos of 2002, 2008 and 2015, which really put things in perspective for the readers.	A fair report but without any surprise Very clever use of photo layout in the first two pages, and the piece raised some important questions for the readers to ponder upon.

Excellence in Opinion Writing

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Bloomberg News	Financial Times
Title of Entry:	The Roots of Rage	Life in China
Award Recipients:	Pankaj Mishra	Patti Waldmeir
Judge Comment:	<p>Mishra's columns seek to shed light on a complicated topic which is all too often written from a Western point of view.</p> <p>He warns of rising rage of the disaffected in countries like India and compares the attacks on Islam and its followers with anti-Semitism of the part.</p> <p>His columns are superbly crafted and challenge the reader to come to terms with the complexity of the situation. He has a rare talent for putting his observations in an historical setting with a high level approach to writing which demands the reader think more closely of the issues rather than giving simplistic answers.</p>	<p>With authoritative reporting, Waldmeir's columns are a rich offering that distills the many complex changes sweeping China. The changes have uncontrollable consequences, which the Chinese government is reluctant to accept. Waldmeir's pieces offer that insight. Powerful reporting backing bold conclusions.</p>

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Nikkei Asian Review	Khaosod English
Title of Entry:	Excellence in Opinion Writing: Minxin Pei	Down the Memory Hole Lies 'Juntaland'
Award Recipients:	Minxin Pei	Pravit Rojanaphruk
Judge Comment:	<p>A lucid and unbiased analysis of some of the key economic issues China is now facing.</p>	<p>Pravit Rojanaphruk's body of work, inclusive of the title entry, displays rare conviction and courage in championing democratic values in an authoritarian state.</p>

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	FTChinese.com	FTChinese.com
Title of Entry:	Hu Yaobang: "An Atypical Leader" 《“非典型领导人”胡耀邦》	The Strange State of China's Universities 《中国大学目睹之怪现状》
Award Recipients:	丁学良	龚刃韧
Judge Comment:	<p>This article described Hu Yaobang as a non-typical Chinese leader in terms of CPC's culture. The author used Hu's practice of serving the people as a contrast to other CPC officials who abuse their power for personal benefits. The author analysed CPC's use of power, its principles and motivations of seizing the power behind the curtain since Mao Zedong age with convincing evidences. In this background, Hu Yaobang's advocate of "Make the people wealthy before enrich the country; journalists should be loyal to the people over the party; seek democracy, harmony, understanding and trust between the culture and the control of ideology" is an act of integrity and courage. The author highlighted the difference between Hu Yaobang and the mainstream CPC to depict what is power-oriented and what is people-oriented. Relating to the policy and speech of the Chinese leaders today, it makes the readers lamenting over the pass of non-typical leaders more.</p>	<p>The piece pointed out the dark side of Chinese universities, very sharp and thought-provoking.</p>

Excellence in Editorial Cartooning

Group A

Category Cancelled

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	South China Morning Post	A Plus magazine
Title of Entry:	HKU	Yahoo to stick to Alibaba spinoff plan without IRS backing
Award Recipients:	Harry Harrison	Harry Harrison
Judge Comment:	With sly subtlety, cartoonist Harry Harrison captures the uncertainty and anxiety felt by faculty members and students of the University of Hong Kong concerned about interference from Beijing. The cartoon needs no caption or explanation; rather, the fear and discomfort can be seen in the sideways glance of the professor looking up to see a very menacing-looking Panda on the university's shield. Making a sharp point without words is the essence of a great cartoon.	This cartoon is of high artistic skill, colorful and well executed. It is funny, on the mark in expressing an opinion, and alludes to a literary figure commonly known.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Bloomberg Businessweek Chinese 彭博商業周刊/中文版	Ming Pao 明報
Title of Entry:	The Future of One Country, Two Systems 一國兩制怎麼走？	The Invisible Black Hand's Meddling in the University of Hong Kong Affairs 黑手干預港大校政系列
Award Recipients:	陳彬揚	尊子
Judge Comment:	An outstanding news cartoon can serve as the vital finishing touch in storytelling. Here we have a textbook example.	Bitterly witty.

Excellence in Reporting on the Environment

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Bloomberg News	International New York Times
Title of Entry:	Farmers Driven From Homes 'Like Pests' by Dam Projects	Climate Change and China
Award Recipients:	Chris Brummitt, Archana Chaudhary, Rajesh Kumar Singh	Edward Wong, Chris Buckley and Michael Forsythe
Judge Comment:	With excellent reporting and writing, the story effectively took a local scenario and used it to illustrate a global problem, which the writers established with hard facts. From Indonesia to India, on-the-ground reporting shows how dams are bringing energy even as they overwhelm traditional communities and the human sources included those in control to those with no say at all in what is happening to them.	This superior series of five stories detailed China's burning of coal and its impact on climate change, at home and abroad. The series has strong reporting, confident writing, and great packaging. The story on China coal plants in other countries was especially good.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Thomson Reuters Foundation	Nikkei Asian Review
Title of Entry:	Climate innovation	Praying for rain
Award Recipients:	Alisa Tang, Roshan Din Shad, Syful Islam, Amantha Perera	Michael Sainsbury, Hiroshi Kotani and Brahma Chellaney
Judge Comment:	Inspiring series of stories exploring small-scale, but effective, solutions to ameliorate the effects of climate change on water supplies in Asia. This package is refreshing because it offers a rare look at the solutions that people have devised across the region to adapt to some of the consequences of climate change.	Comprehensive, and prescient, examination of the punishing drought in Asia due to the effects of El Nino. Excellent big picture package on the impact of El Nino in the region; well conceived, well reported and well edited, with helpful graphics.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Business Weekly 商業周刊	CommonWealth Magazine 天下雜誌
Title of Entry:	The Disappearing Black Kite 消失的老鷹	Taiwan's Industrial Waste Crisis 失控的高科技廢物
Award Recipients:	Selena Tsao ; Siao Jing Chen ; Vivien Liu	呂國禎、陳良榕、李郁欣
Judge Comment:	<p>This is an engaging story about the experiences of a man and a woman with black kites in Taiwan. The story contains interesting details and emotions that charm and move. The focus on individuals and one species of animal alone offers a refreshingly intimate experience that makes it highly effective for an issue that has perhaps become too familiar.</p> <p>An outstanding series of stories with a personal touch. The excellent pictures, layout and artwork should also be accredited.</p>	<p>"This is a hard-hitting investigative report of illegal dumping of hi-tech wastes in Taiwan. It reveals the intertwining of corruption among public officials and illegal market operation by criminal networks. The report includes solid information from research and credible sources, and is supported by communicative graphics and telling photographs.</p> <p>A fine piece of investigative journalism on a pressing environment issue.</p> <p>Galvanising."</p>

Excellence in Feature Photography

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Reuters	TIME Asia
Title of Entry:	Legacy of Agent Orange	Where Motherhood Kills
Award Recipients:	Damir Sagolj	Lynsey Addario
Judge Comment:	<p>Unanimous winner by all judges with following comments:</p> <p>Very important and shocking theme, deep sympathy with the subjects, unique, modern and meaningful composition, perfect capture of the most expressive moments, professional photographic technology.</p> <p>Very strong photographs of a devastating nearly forgotten legacy of the Vietnam war.</p> <p>There are people who still live with disabilities stemming from agent orange and Damir's photographs show that the damages from the herbicide cannot just be relegated to the history books.</p>	<p>Unanimous Runner Up by all judges with following comments:</p> <p>Important theme, good and expressive compositions, professional use of light conditions and colors.</p> <p>Important subject, well photographed with a good connection between the photos and the text.</p>

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Coconuts Media	Tasting Kitchen
Title of Entry:	A photo profile of Mui Thomas	One Fish Two Fish
Award Recipients:	Laurel Chor	David Luke Hartung
Judge Comment:	<p>The photos capture Mui Thomas's personality as well as her struggles. They show a story of someone who must overcome daily pain and adversity. The photos force you to look and search to understand more.</p> <p>The photos capture the trivial and mundane, but also show how a person living every day with a challenging condition is still leading a productive and happy life.</p>	<p>Shot very much in the classic photo essay style. Many good moments and good choice to publish in black and white.</p>

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Apple Daily Hong Kong 香港蘋果日報	Initium Media 端傳媒
Title of Entry:	Anti-parallel Trading Protests 反水貨	The Transformation of Aung San Suu Kyi's Constituency Kawhmu township 小鎮的蛻變：探訪昂山素姬選區
Award Recipients:	夏家朗、許頌明、何柏佳、李展翹、陳奕釗	關學津
Judge Comment:	The story told through picture is an accurate snapshot of the reality. These pictures sent a powerful message on the underlying tension behind the news event being reported."	Touching, immersive images capture the hope and optimism that characterised this pivotal moment in Myanmar's history.

The Scoop Award

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Wall Street Journal	Financial Times
Title of Entry:	Malaysia's 1MDB Scandal	Hanergy Coverage
Award Recipients:	Tom Wright & Simon Clark	Miles Johnson, Lucy Hornby, Gavin Jackson and Cynthia O'Murchu
Judge Comment:	Great enterprise in getting the numbers right and establishing leadership coverage on an important story that continues to roil Malaysia and has ramifications in other countries. Investigative journalism at its finest.	Excellent and exclusive coverage of a complicated topic that employed new techniques for analysing data. Accountability journalism at its finest.

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Star	South China Morning Post
Title of Entry:	Visa Discord	PLA: Fighting force
Award Recipients:	P. Aruna & Farik Zolkeplil	Minnie Chan
Judge Comment:	There are few finer moments for a media organization than to be first on a major news story that effects so many of its readers in such a significant way, and then to take ownership of that situation and be an instrument of change. This is a case where journalists were truly champions of the common people. The reporting was solid and detailed. High praise for this series.	An impressive scoop on the most sweeping reorganization of the People's Liberation Army in the force's history. Readers are treated to an inside look at China's military and the changes it faces in the modern era, through a clearly laid out presentation that was thorough and enlightening. This was an excellent package in terms of reporting, writing and graphics.

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Apple Daily Hong Kong 香港蘋果日報	Ming Pao 明報
Title of Entry:	The Lifelong College Scandal 國力書院醜聞	Elderly Stripped Naked on Rooftop, Waiting to Be Showered 長者遭脫光露天等沖涼
Award Recipients:	張嘉雯、陳建平	明報偵查報道組
Judge Comment:	Solid investigative follow up that overthrown a false system exposing the ugliness of the fraud has demonstrated the supervision power of journalism as the fourth state.	Uneven quality of the residential houses for the elderly arousing complaining from their families to the media happens quite frequently. This report along with its exclusive photos from Ming Pao has uncovered the gravity of the problem, which held the related institutions accountable, grabbed the attention of the government to settle the thorny issue and sought justice to the abused elderly victims.

Excellence in Investigative Reporting

Group A

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	The Associated Press	The Wall Street Journal
Title of Entry:	Seafood From Slaves	Malaysia's 1MDB Scandal
Award Recipients:	Esther Htusan, Margie Mason, Robin McDowell, Martha Mendoza	Tom Wright, Bradley Hope, Mia Lamar, Simon Clark, Justin Baer & WSJ News Graphics
Judge Comment:	<p>The AP investigation into forced labor and human trafficking in Southeast Asia's fishing industry is an expose of epic proportions, reported with dogged perseverance and ingenuity, told with compelling, convincing clarity. It led to the rescue and repatriation of more than 2,000 men, women and children, criminal investigations in several countries, corporate changes and other reforms. The reporting here is achingly simple – reporters went to a remote island in Indonesia and interviewed scores of current and former slaves. They then got video of runaways held in a small cage and others pleading for help from a ship. They tracked the slave-caught fish and shrimp to processing factories, cold storage facilities and ultimately supermarkets in Asia, Europe and the United States. This is investigative reporting at its best.</p>	<p>Missing billions! Top politicians caught! Political cover-up! It has all the makings of a Hollywood thriller. But the Wall Street Journal's dogged investigation of political and financial corruption at the top levels of government in Malaysia was ground breaking journalism. Ten reporters used financial records and government documents, backed by scores of interviews, to show that at least \$700 million was deposited to the personal bank accounts of Prime Minister Najib Razak. He later called it a donation. Now investigators say \$4 billion may have been misappropriated. In a series of stories that carefully untangled the scandal for readers, the reporters tracked the money from a shell company registered in the British Virgin Islands via a private Swiss bank owned by an Abu Dhabi state fund. They give new meaning to the adage, "Follow the money." The disclosures have led to investigations in at least six countries and have sparked a political crisis in Malaysia/ The Journal team exposed intricate financial skulduggery and a betrayal of the public trust by the rich and powerful. Bravo.</p>

Group B

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	GlobalPost	Myanmar Now
Title of Entry:	Asia's Meth Wars	With official help, Myanmar's radical Buddhists target Muslim-owned businesses
Award Recipients:	Patrick Winn, Mark Oltmanns	Swe Win
Judge Comment:	<p>A clear stand out because of the degree of work, the tackling of a dangerous and difficult subject which hopefully highlights a very serious and human problem.</p> <p>In-depth investigation of the difficult subject of meth production in Myanmar and excellent use of digital platform and online tools to tell a compelling story</p>	<p>The article gets local authorities to confirm how they are actively discriminating against Muslim businesses and how it is almost taken for granted. It tackles a difficult subject with a laser like determination to pin down rumours with facts and get official confirmation of the discrimination against Muslim businesses.</p> <p>A poignant expose of the of Muslims by the Buddhist majority outside the big cities in Myanmar through extensive travels and interviews, and documentary research.</p>

Group C

	Award for Excellence	Honorable Mention
Publication:	Apple Daily Hong Kong 香港蘋果日報	Global Views Monthly 遠見雜誌
Title of Entry:	Vote Rigging in 2015 District Council Elections 2015 年區議會選舉種票系列	Hidden Dangers of 6 Billion Paper Lunchboxes 「粉」有問題！60 億個餐盒的潛藏危機
Award Recipients:	梁御和、林偉聰、袁柏恩、李雅雯	王美珍
Judge Comment:	<p>Vote-rigging is not the first time to appear in Hong Kong election. Apple Daily has demonstrated its perseverance spirit by following the suspected electoral fraud.</p> <p>The efficient and accurate investigation work of journalists has uncovered the vote-rigging supremacy and beat the officials.</p> <p>Comprehensive. Timely. Bring out the problematic issue. Lots of effort.</p>	<p>Close link with the daily life; cutting in from a micro angle to uncover a concerning but neglected fact to ring an alarm to food safety issues.</p> <p>This coverage has demonstrated sharp journalistic instinct and well rounded investigation. First hand information obtained as a under-covered worker brought depth to the report.</p>

Journalist of the Year

Award for Excellence

Publication:	The Wall Street Journal
Award Recipients:	Tom Wright
Judge Comment:	<p>A superb series of investigative articles by Tom Wright in the best traditions of persistent international journalism. Bravo.</p> <p>Brave and dogged reporting that raised serious questions about possible improprieties by the prime minister and a government investment fund.</p>