

About Me

OSINT Lead at Alaraby Television Network, where I help oversee the editorial and production workflow of the Open-Source Unit. I develop open-source investigations and visual verification stories from concept and research design to editorial framing, production, and publication. My background spans reporting, editing, digital production, and fact-checking across regional outlets, with a particular interest in in-depth journalism and long-form investigations that go beyond breaking news to uncover deeper contexts. I also deliver practical training in OSINT, visual verification, and open-source research for journalists and media trainees.

EXPERIENCE



Jun 2024- Present

Alaraby Television Network · Full-time
OSINT Lead, Open-Source Unit

- Help oversee the editorial and production workflow of the Open-Source Unit at Alaraby TV.
- Develop open-source investigations and visual verification stories from concept and research planning to editorial treatment, production, and publication.
- Help ensure stories meet verification, editorial, and production standards before publication across broadcast and digital platforms.



Oct 2025 - Present

Alpheratz Magazine
Freelance OSINT and Investigative Journalist

- Produce evidence-led investigative stories through open-source research, digital analysis, field reporting, and archival work.
- Cover political and public-interest investigations across the Arab region, with a focus on social, environmental, and urban change.

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Education

Bachelor in tourism guidance
2011 - 2015

Diploma, Digital Media
The American University in
Cairo
2020-2021

LANGUAGE

- * Arabic (Native)
- * English (Professional working proficiency)
- * German (Elementary)

PRIOR EXPERIENCE IN JOURNALISM



Nov 2021 - Present
Annahar Newspaper
Freelance Investigative
Journalist



Apr 2024 - Present
AlManassa
Freelance Journalist



Nov 2020 - June 2024
Sky News Arabia
Correspondent - Scientific
Journalist

Training and Workshops

- Deliver practical training and workshops for journalists and media trainees, drawing on my professional experience in reporting, open-source investigations, and visual verification.
- Sessions cover geolocation, source validation, evidence logging, cartographic analysis, satellite imagery analysis, and the use of satellite imagery in journalistic and investigative work.
- Selected institutions include The American University in Cairo, the Egyptian Journalists Syndicate, and Arabi Facts Hub.

CERTIFICATIONS



Fundamentals of Remote Sensing
NASA

Feb 2026



ADVANCED DIGITAL REPORTING
Google News

Nov 2023



DATA JOURNALISM
Goethe-Institut Kairo

Nov 2022



ENGLISH FOR JOURNALISM
University of Pennsylvania & Coursera

Sep 2021



MASTERCLASS, MEDIA AND SCIENCE IN
THE MENA REGION SCIENCE
Goethe-Institut Kairo

Nov 2021

Key Achievements

- Produced 60+ in-depth TV reports for Alaraby Television Network, delivering verification led packages for broadcast.
- Published 150 articles and produced 70 social video stories for Annahar, and wrote up to 400 articles for Sky News Arabia.
- International training: Completed a Goethe-Institut program in partnership with Deutsche Welle and the German Foreign Ministry, advanced track recognition.

SKILLS

- * Investigative reporting
- * Visual verification
- * Cartographic analysis
- * Data journalism
- * Open-source research
- * Fact-checking
- * Geolocation
- * Chronolocation
- * Satellite imagery analysis

Tools

- * Sentinel Hub EO Browser
- * QGIS
- * Google Earth Pro
- * FlightRadar24
- * RadarBox
- * MarineTraffic
- * Gephi
- * InVID WeVerify
- * PeakVisor
- * ADS-B Exchange
- * Wayback Machine

SELECTED WORK

- [Moscow expands Africa Corps influence via Libya and Mali, investigation traces Russian forces' next destination after Assad's fall](#) (Alaraby TV, 8 Jan 2025)
- [Roofless buildings in Syria, was home demolition part of the former regime's infrastructure punishment policy?](#) (Alaraby TV, 27 Jan 2025)
- [Could water become a real frontline in a future war between the two nuclear-armed neighbors?](#) (Alaraby TV, 5 May 2025)
- [Alaraby Television Network's Open-Source Unit analyzes the latest satellite imagery to map drought patterns in Iran.](#) (Alaraby TV, 1 Dec 2025)
- [Annahar Al Arabi technically tracks the "disappearance" of Cairo's trees, Egypt's environment minister responds](#) (Annahar Newspaper, 20 Jul 2024)