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El Faro is an online digital newspaper founded in 1998 in El Salvador by Jorge Simán and Carlos Dada, sons of political exiles who returned to El Salvador with the purpose of starting a newspaper that would change Salvadoran media. For years it was produced by journalism students.

María Luz Nóchez has worked as a staff reporter for Salvadoran investigative newsroom El Faro since 2011 and has coordinated the opinion section since 2019. She specializes in arts and culture, gender-based violence against women and the LGBTQ community, and Indigenous people's rights. In 2017, her piece, "A Haven for Rapists," won the Latin American Award for Investigative Journalism from the Journalism and Society Institute and Transparency International.

Jimmy Osvaldo Alvarado is an investigative journalist with 8 years of experience. He specializes in transparency, politics, economics and human rights. He contributed to the Panama Papers global investigation project in 2016. He was also part of the team investigating the hidden accounts of former presidents of El Salvador. He was 2021 Center for Investigative Journalists (ICFJ) fellow.

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