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Senior Executive Producers Jonathan Larsen and Bob Wheelock have joined AJAM to lead the newly-formed political team, which will draw on resources from across AJAM's 12 domestic bureaus and Al Jazeera Media Network's more than 80 international bureaus. Larsen previously worked for MSNBC, CNN and ABC News, while Wheelock has worked at Al Jazeera English, NBC News and for nearly 30 years at ABC News.

As a way to bring the issues to life, AJAM's coverage will regularly feature first-person vignettes of individuals who can bring an on-theground perspective of issues ranging from climate change to income inequality. Individuals with contrasting viewpoints often will be combined to give audiences a truly balanced, non-partisan perspective.

As part of AJAM's election coverage, the network is also partnering with the Center for Public Integrity to investigate the flow of dark money and other outside spending on American political campaigns.

Drawing on the deep investigative resources and storytelling capacities of both organizations, "The Buying of the President 2016" will include in-depth financial profiles of the top candidates as well as stories that look into the role of Super PACs and political non-profits.

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