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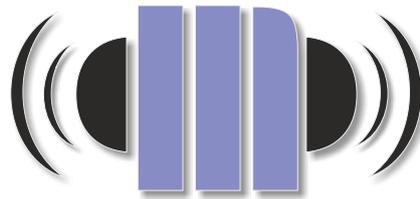


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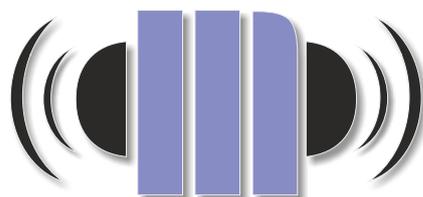
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Disinformation Research: Current Trends and Perspectives September 29 - 30, 2023 Dubrovnik, Croatia

Organizer: Department of Mass Communication, University of Dubrovnik

Venues: Opening ceremony: Museum of Modern Art Dubrovnik (address:
Put Frana Supila 23)

Work program: University campus (address: Branitelja Dubrovnika 41)

WORK PROGRAM OVERVIEW

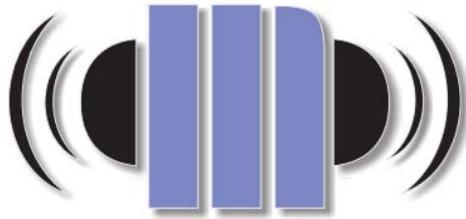
30 September 2023 (Saturday)

8:00 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 10:00 Keynote speech
(Claes H. de Vreese)
10:00 – 11:30 Panel discussion I
11:30 – 12:30 Coffee break
12:00 – 13:00 Keynote speech (Samantha
Bradshaw)
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30 Parallel sessions I
15:30 – 17:00 Parallel sessions II
17:00 – 17:30 Coffee break
17:30 – 19:00 Parallel sessions III
19:00 – 20:00 Panel discussion II
20:00 – 20:30 Conclusions and closing
remarks

FACT-CHECKING WORKSHOP

30 September 2023 (Saturday)

11:00 – 13:00 Workshop I
15:00 – 16:00 Workshop II
16:00 – 17:00 Workshop III



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Disinformation Research: Current Trends and Perspectives

Friday, September 29

18:30-21:00 Opening and Welcome Reception at the Museum of Modern Art Dubrovnik (address: Put Frana Supila 23)

Mato Brautović, ADMO coordinator

Holger Haibach, Head of the KAS office in Croatia

Paolo Cesarini, EDMO Programme Director

Sanja Žaja Vrbica, Vice Rector for Study Programmes and Students, University of Dubrovnik

Mato Franković, Mayor of Dubrovnik

Nina Obuljen Koržinek, Minister of Culture and Media

Dubravka Šuica, Vice President, European Commission

Saturday, September 30

8:00-9:00 Registration and networking at the University of Dubrovnik Campus (address: Branitelja Dubrovnika 41)

PLENARY SESSION

Auditorium

9:00-10:00 Keynote speaker: **Claes H. de Vreese**, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

The AI (r)evolution in communication

10:00-10:30 **Challenges of disinformation and AI for the EU: regulation, cooperation and effective countermeasures**

In cooperation with Representation of the European Commission in Croatia

Lene Naesager, Director for Strategy and Corporate Communication, European Commission

10:30 – 11.30 PANEL DISCUSSION

Denis Teyssou, AFP France

Matej Gjurković, University of Zagreb, Croatia

Claes H. de Vreese, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

Andrea Čović Vidović, Head of Representation (Acting) and Head of Press and Media, European Commission Representation in Croatia

Iva Nenadić, University of Zagreb and European University Institute

Moderator: **Barbara Peranić**, Press Officer, European Parliament Liaison Office in Croatia

11:30-12:00 COFFEE BREAK

12:00-13:00 Keynote speaker: **Samantha Bradshaw**, American University, USA

Disinformation & Democracy: Challenges on the Horizon

13:00 - 14:00 LUNCH BREAK



<p>14:00 – 15:30 TRACK 1 Auditorium Unveiling and Countering Domestic Disinformation: Mapping and Mitigating Strategies Moderator: Viktorija Car</p>	<p>14:00 – 15:30 TRACK 2 Classroom no. 60 Unraveling Russia's Information Operations: Decoding Tactics and Impacts Moderator: Romana John</p>
<p>A human-centric approach to strengthening democratic capacity: Examples from Finland and Lithuania as calls for effective responses to disinformation Auksė Balčytienė, Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania, Minna Horowitz, Helsinki University, Finland</p> <p>Disinformation as a tool for digital political activism: A case of the Croatian Wikipedia Viktorija Car, University of Split, Croatia Dijana Šobota, University of Zagreb, Croatia</p> <p>Fake science-news: Dual literacy as a weapon Avshalom Ginosar, Academic College of Yezreel Valley, Israel Tali Tal, Faculty of Education in Science and Technology, Israel</p> <p>Dissolution of Yugoslavia between propaganda and disinformation: examples from war in Croatia Davor Pauković, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia Monika Cverlin, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia Sandra Buratović Maštrapa, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia</p> <p>"Everything is...proof": conspiracy narratives and the uses of screenshots on Italian Telegram channels Elisabetta Zurovac, University of Urbino Carlo Bo, Italy</p> <p>Approaches to Detecting and Debunking Disinformation and the Role of University Libraries in Promoting Information Literacy. Alena Aissing, University of California, Los Angeles, USA</p> <p>Pro-Russian propaganda in the mainstream, anti-vaccination on the fringes: The Janus-face of the Hungarian disinformation ecosystem Csaba Molnár, Political Capital, Hungary</p>	<p>Gateway Theory to the Rabbit Hole? - The relationship between conspiracy theories on COVID-19 and the war in Ukraine Péter Krekó, Political Capital & Social Psychology, ELTE University, Hungary Laura Faragó, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary Csaba Molnár, Political Capital, Hungary Ágnes Zsila, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary Gábor Orosz, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary</p> <p>Memes against disinformation? A semiotic study of the "Ukrainian memes forces" Twitter account Salomé Peigney, CARISM - Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas, France</p> <p>Unveiling the mechanisms of Russian influence operations: analyzing the cross-border shaping of narratives in the Western Balkans Mato Brautović, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia Romana John, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia</p> <p>Information Manipulation and Interference Threats in Croatia and Slovenia: Implications for the Euro-Atlantic Context Marijana Musladin, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia Marko Roško, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia Ivana Grkeš, University of Dubrovnik, Croatia</p> <p>Facebook and Telegram as Tools of Information Warfare in the Context of Russia's Full-Scale Aggression against Ukraine (ONLINE) Julia Germanova, National Technical University "Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute", Ukraine Olena Goroshko, National Technical University "Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute", Ukraine</p> <p>Russian disinformation narratives and their impact on the political life and public opinion in Croatia: Origins, Proliferation, and Consequences (ONLINE) Josip Mandić, University North, Croatia</p>

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<p>Ráchel Surányi, Political Capital, Hungary Péter Krekó, Political Capital & Social Psychology, ELTE University, Hungary</p> <p>Disinformation on immigration: A pragmlinguistic analysis of three Spanish pseudo-media Edurne Garde-Eransus, University of Navarra, Spain Ramón Salaverría, University of Navarra, Spain</p> <p>“Good Morning to the European Parliament”: Systematic Disinformation & Anti-Brussels Rhetoric in Hungary (ONLINE) Nora Koller, Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal</p>	<p>Gender, social and media dialogue in the Croatian media: Have the Covid-19 pandemic and the War in Ukraine changed the position of information disinformation in the media discourse? Reporting on the coronavirus: manipulating the media space (ONLINE) Suzana Peran, Catholic University, Croatia Anja Raguž, University North, Croatia</p>
<p>15:30 – 17:00 TRACK 1 Auditorium Understanding the Psychology of Disinformation and Audience Behavior Moderator: Nebojša Blanuša</p>	<p>15:30 – 17:00 TRACK 2 Classroom no. 60 AI and Disinformation Detection Moderator: Nikos Sarris</p>
<p>Unwanted Influence in the Facebook News Feed: Comparing Citizen Exposure to Verified False Content in all 27 EU Member States and the UK. Anja Bechmann, DATALAB, Aarhus University, NORDIS, Denmark Marina Charquero-Ballester, DATALAB, Aarhus University, NORDIS, Denmark Anton Holt, DATALAB, Aarhus University, NORDIS, Denmark Jessica Gabriele Walter, DATALAB, Aarhus University, NORDIS, Denmark</p> <p>Interplay between social media use, concern for misinformation and post-exposure user reaction Waqas Ejaz, Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism, University of Oxford, UK Muhammad Ittefaq, James Madison University, USA</p> <p>Conspiratorial mentality of sieged nation in Croatia during and after the pandemics Nebojša Blanuša, University of Zagreb, Croatia</p> <p>The impact of disinformation on information process, public opinion and democratic process Dejana Nešić, University of Niš, Serbia</p>	<p>Revealing visual forgeries in manipulated photographs Denis Teyssou, AFP, France</p> <p>The MedDMO Multimedia Analysis Toolbox for countering disinformation Manos Schinas, Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas, Information Technologies Institute, Media Analysis, Verification and Retrieval Group, Greece Panagiotis Galopoulos, Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas, Information Technologies Institute, Media Analysis, Verification and Retrieval Group, Greece Efthimios Hamilos, Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas, Information Technologies Institute, Media Analysis, Verification and Retrieval Group, Greece Nikos Sarris, Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas, Information Technologies Institute, Media Analysis, Verification and Retrieval Group, Greece Ioannis Kompatsiaris, Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas, Information Technologies Institute, Media Analysis, Verification and Retrieval Group, Greece Symeon Papadopoulos, Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas, Information Technologies Institute, Media Analysis, Verification and Retrieval Group, Greece</p>

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Misinformation in cases of mass shootings in schools: Case study of murders in Belgrade Elementary School „Vladislav Ribnikar“

Daria Mikulec, University North, Croatia
Samson Stibohar, University North, Croatia
Željka Bagarić, University North, Croatia

Exploring Attitudes and Behavior of Journalism and Communications Students in Detecting and Debunking Disinformation

Erlis Çela, Bedër University College, Albania
Alban Tufa, Bedër University College, Albania

Misinformation and Climate Change

Majda Tafra-Vlahović, HINA, Croatia
Branka Gabriela Vojvodić, HINA, Croatia

Disinformation in sudden crisis situations: Sentiment analysis of Croatian news portal reader comments

Emilija Stručić, University North, Croatia
Jelena Đuras Gleđ, University North, Croatia
Željka Bagarić, University North, Croatia

Categories for detection disinformation: Information verification between newsrooms and fact-checking organisations

Viktorija Car, University of Split, Croatia
Antea Boko, University of North, Croatia

When fact-checks go viral: a cross-national analysis of the dissemination of European fact-checkers on Twitter

Lorenzo Federico, LUISS Guido Carli, Italy
Mariavittoria Masotina, University of Liverpool, UK

The Information Disorders Level Index: A Method for Assessing the Factuality of Machine-Generated Content

Laurence Dierickx, University of Bergen, Norway
Carl-Gustav Lindén, University of Bergen, Norway

Malicious actors profiling and detection in Online Social Networks through Artificial Intelligence

Aelita Skarzauskiene, Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius, Lithuania
Monika Mačiulienė, Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius, Lithuania
Gintarė Gulevičiūtė, Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius, Lithuania
David Camacho, Technical University of Madrid, Spain

How artificial intelligence is influencing journalism today – fakety of (AI generated) images

Gordana Lesinger, University of Osijek, Croatia
Višeslav Kirinić, University North, Croatia
Ivana Stanić, University of Osijek, Croatia

The Automation of Fact-Checking: An Ethnographic Approach to Newsrooms

Irene Larraz, University of Navarra, Spain
Ramón Salaverría, University of Navarra, Spain
Javier Serrano-Puche, University of Navarra, Spain

17:00-17:30 COFFEE BREAK



<p>17:30 – 19:00 TRACK 1</p> <p>Auditorium</p> <p>Research Frameworks and Detection Methods</p> <p>Moderator: Keith Peter Kiely</p>	<p>17:30 – 19:00 TRACK 2</p> <p>Classroom no. 60</p> <p>Code of practice on disinformation and policy research</p> <p>Moderator: Davor Pauković</p>
<p>Disinformation and trust in news: the case of Portugal</p> <p>Foá Caterina, ISCTE-Lisbon University Institute & OberCom - Portuguese Communication Observatory, Portugal</p> <p>Paisana Miguel, ISCTE-Lisbon University Institute & OberCom - Portuguese Communication Observatory, Portugal</p> <p>Crespo Miguel, ISCTE-Lisbon University Institute & OberCom - Portuguese Communication Observatory, Portugal</p> <p>Baldi Vania, ISCTE-Lisbon University Institute & OberCom - Portuguese Communication Observatory, Portugal</p> <p>Cardoso Gustavo, ISCTE-Lisbon University Institute & OberCom - Portuguese Communication Observatory, Portugal</p> <p>Trends and Challenges in Research on Misinformation in Spain: An Analysis of 22 Funded Projects</p> <p>Nereida Cea Esteruelas, Lecturer, Department of Journalism, University of Malaga, Spain</p> <p>Daniel Barredo Ibáñez, Emergia Researcher, Department of Journalism, University of Malaga, Spain</p> <p>Bella Palomo, Department of Journalism, University of Malaga, Spain</p> <p>Some Rhetorical Aspects of Disinformation – Expanding the Scope of Content-Based Disinformation Detection with Rhetorical Theories</p> <p>Ivan Ljubimir, Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek</p> <p>Wearing Gramsci's Glasses: Disinformation through the Lens of Hegemony</p> <p>Keith Peter Kiely, Sofia University, Bulgaria</p> <p>Disinformation as a security threats for democratic society</p> <p>Radoslav Ivančík, Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava, Slovakia</p> <p>Rastislav Kazanský, Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica, Slovakia</p>	<p>TrustLab: Code of Practice on Disinformation. A Pilot Study Measuring Structural Indicators</p> <p>Peter Dudič, Trust Lab, Germany</p> <p>Structural indicators to assess effectiveness of the EU's Code of Practice on Disinformation (ONLINE)</p> <p>Iva Nenadić, European University Institute and University of Zagreb, Croatia</p> <p>Elda Brogi, European University Institute, Italy</p> <p>Konrad Bleyer-Simon, European University Institute, Italy</p> <p>Doing Disinformation Research with Online Platforms: a public policy perspective</p> <p>Francesco Marrazzo, AGCOM, Italy</p> <p>Deepfake Disinformation: Detection, Mitigation, and Comparative Analysis of Legislative Approaches (ONLINE)</p> <p>Gergely Gosztonyi, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary</p> <p>Gergely Ferenc Lendvai, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary</p> <p>State interventionism and the involvement of professional communicators as mechanisms for elimination the hyperproduction of disinformation in the media sphere of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) (ONLINE)</p> <p>Anđela K. Vukelić, University of Banja Luka, BiH</p> <p>Dragana Trninić, University of Banja Luka, BiH</p> <p>Jovana Mlinarević, University of Banja Luka, BiH</p>



Down the rabbit hole: Disinformation, conspiracy and enjoyment

Harry Browne, Technological University
Dublin, Ireland

Applying Gender Lens to the Study of Mis- and Dis-
information: Discussion of the Main Challenges and
Opportunities (ONLINE)

Gergana Tzvetkova, Ca' Foscari University
of Venice, Italy

TRACK 3

Classroom no. 152

In cooperation with Agency for Electronic Media

11:00-13:00 Workshop: Basics of fact checking

Tommaso Canetta, Pagella Politica, Italy

15:00 -16:00 Workshop: How to become a member of the European Fact-Checking Standards Network?

Vincent Couronne, Treasurer and member of the Governance Body of the EFCSN, France

16:00-17:00 Workshop: InVID WeVerify

Denis Teyssou, AFP, France

PLENARY SESSION

Auditorium

19:00-20:00 Panel on the pilot project on the establishment of fact-checking centers in Croatia

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Marijana Grbeša, University of Zagreb, Croatia

Robert Tomljenović, AEM, Croatia

Krešimir Partl, State Secretary, Ministry of Culture and Media

Representatives of Croatian NPOO fact-checking projects:

Nina Šiprak Wendling, **Lidija Štelcer**, project VerifEye

Josip Šipić, **Iva Zelić**, project GenderFacts

Ivana Grkeš, project DU-CHECK

20:00-20:30 Conclusions and Closing Remarks

