



Quo vadis Digital Democracy? Strengthening and Preserving Democracy in the Digital Age

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– Program and Timetable –

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Sep 29 (all day at Wolfgang-Paul-Hall)	
12:00	Reception
12:30	Conference Opening and Project Digital Society Farewell, <i>Caja Thimm (Spokeswoman Digital Society), Andreas Zimmer (Vice Rector, University of Bonn), Mario Anastasiadis (Scientific Coordinator), Marc Ziegele (Spokesman Research Groups), Laura Solzbacher (Spokeswoman Graduate School)</i>
13:45	Keynote I and Discussion: Governing public values in European Platform Societies, José van Dijck Chair: <i>Caja Thimm</i>
15:00	Lunch Break
16:00	Panel 1: Digital Governance and Democratic Institutions 1. Digital Democracy and the Limits of the Law: How the German Constitutional Court Considers Gender-Specific Incivility In the Digital Public Sphere, <i>Sheila B. Lalwani</i> 2. Creating Digital Electoral Publics as a Means of Voting Reform? The Case of California, <i>Christoph Bieber</i> 3. Quo Vadis Digital Greek Parliament in the Quest of Communication between Citizens and MPs?, <i>Georgios Lappas, Amalia Triantafillidou</i> Chair: <i>Isabelle Borucki</i>
17:30	Coffee Break
17:45	Panel 2: Social Media Between Conspiracy Theories and Extremism: Attacks on Democracy in the Digital Society 1. The Alternative Media Repertoire: An Analysis of Shared Alternative and Mainstream Media Content in Counterpublic Telegram Channels, <i>Svenja Boberg, Johanna Klapproth, Saïd Unger, Thorsten Quandt</i> 2. Linking News Use on Social Media to Conspiracy Beliefs: A Cross-Platform Linkage Study of German Media Users, <i>Tim Schatto-Eckrodt, Lena Clever, Lena Frischlich</i> 3. "We have it in our hands!!!!" Collective action mobilization in conspiracy-theory endorsing Facebook groups, <i>Lena Frischlich</i> 4. The battle for the hearts and minds: A Multi-modal Automated Content Analysis of Islamic Extremists' Instagram Propaganda, <i>Lena Clever, Nico Clever, Lena Frischlich</i> Chair: <i>Lena Frischlich</i>
19:45	End of Day 1
20:00	Dinner

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09:30	Keynote II and Discussion: Digital Democracy in Ukraine: Resilience, and Resistance, <i>Dmytro Khutkyy</i> (Wolfgang-Paul-Hall) Chair: <i>Felix Riefer</i>	
10:30	Panel 3 and Discussion: Digital Democracy in Times of War (Wolfgang-Paul-Hall) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Modification of using instruments of digital democracy in Ukraine during the war, <i>Tetiana Gorokhova</i> 2. Access to official information in times of war: how digital solutions protect the democratic values, <i>Tetyana Oleksiyuk</i> 3. Discussion with <i>Tetiana Gorokhova, Tetyana Oleksiyuk and Dmytro Khutkyy</i> Chair: <i>Felix Riefer</i>	
12:00	Coffee Break	
12:15	Panel 4: Digital Democracy and the Formation of Political Opinion (Schumpeter-Room) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Digital media over State-sponsored propaganda in capturing perceptions of the War on Ukraine among Russians, <i>Ekaterina Romanova</i> 2. The Influence of Search Engines on Political Opinion Formation, <i>Fabian Haak, Franziska Pradel</i> 3. Digital Reactance Freedom and Control Narratives as Political Motivators on Telegram, <i>Katharina V. Hajek</i> 4. Smartphones based interventions: targeting political identity formation processes, <i>Rayner García Hernández</i> 5. Understanding the Impact of Disinformation online, <i>André Calero Valdez, Luisa Vervier, Martina Ziefle, Poornima Belavadi, Laura Burbach, Patrick Halbach</i> Chair: <i>German Neubaum</i>	Panel 5: Media Ethics, AI and Autonomous Decision Making (Curtius-Room) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AI meets Public Discourse: Ethical Considerations on the Interference of AI in Online Discussions, <i>Dennis Friess, Jonas Aaron Carstens</i> 2. Exploring opportunities and risks in decision support technologies for social workers, <i>Diana Schneider, Angelika Maier, Philipp Cimiano, Udo Seelmeyer</i> 3. Learnings from Studying Data Ethics Guidelines and Recommendations for Data Journalism, <i>Aline Franzke, Laura Solzbacher</i> 4. AI as a Tool of Propaganda: Ethical and Political Considerations in the Case of FEDOR the Robot, <i>Andrei Korbut</i> Chair: <i>Yannik Peters</i>
14:15	Lunch Break	
15:15	Panel 6: The Digital Public Sphere I - Conceptualization and Theorization (Schumpeter-Room) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reconstructing the Digital Public Sphere, <i>Manuel Biertz</i> 2. Post-Publics: De-/Re-Constructing the Public Sphere, <i>Martin Herbers</i> 3. Structuring the Structural Change - Reconceptualizing the Digital Transformation of the Public Sphere Using a Multi-Level-Approach, <i>Yannik Peters</i> 4. A new in-between à-venir? Thinking Privacy and Emancipation with Arendt, <i>Zanan Akin</i> Chair: <i>Laura Solzbacher</i>	Panel 7: CAIS fellow's panel 1 of 2: Researching Global Digital Cultures (Curtius-Room) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Responding against political intolerance: Migrant reactions to the far-right threat, <i>Javier Toscano</i> 2. Protest Mobilization on WhatsApp: Explaining Participants' Approaches Before and During COVID-19 in Brazil, <i>Sérgio Barbosa</i> 3. Pandemic Dashboards: How Cities Craft Knowledge of Covid-19, <i>Burcu Baykurt</i> Chair: <i>Sergio Barbosa, Co-chair: Javier Toscano</i>
17:15	Coffee Break	
17:30	Panel 8: The Digital Public Sphere II: Conditions and Dynamics (Schumpeter-Room) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "Digital Transformation of the Public Sphere: Platform Publics(s) and Disinformation in the Pandemic", <i>Caja Thimm</i> 2. A model of political homogeneity in online networks: Integrating original and new hypotheses, <i>German Neubaum, Manuel Cargnino, Daniel Röchert, Luna Frauhammer</i> 3. Digital public sphere in the Arab world, <i>Sarah Kandil</i> Chair: <i>Nicole Krämer</i>	Panel 9: CAIS fellow's panel 2 of 2: Researching Global Digital Cultures (Curtius-Room) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Embodying the Local: Assam's Growing YouTubers and Shifting Media Infrastructures, <i>Sagorika Singha</i> 2. FinTech and Neocolonialism in Africa, <i>Scott Timcke</i> 3. The Political Economy of Google's Global Data Centers, <i>Janna Huang</i> Chair: <i>Scott Timcke</i>
19:00	End of Day 2	
19:30	Dinner	

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10:00	<p>Panel 10: The Digital Public Sphere III: Strengthening Public Discourse (Schumpeter-Room)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Truth and the spirit of inquiry - finding common ground in the online public sphere, <i>Michael Davis</i> 2. Effects of empowerment moderation in online discussions: A field experiment with four news outlets, <i>Dominique Heinbach, Marc Ziegele, Anke Stoll</i> 3. Agenda Cutting versus News Diversity. How Topics Disappear from the Media Agenda and how this Affect the Digital Democracy, <i>Jörg-Uwe Nieland, Hektor Haarkötter</i> <p>Chair: <i>Jan-Philipp Kluck</i></p>
	<p>Panel 11: Digital Democracy and Youth (Curtius-Room)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you tell your societal from your individual concerns? Appraisal of data collection harms to individuals and democracy among young Europeans, <i>Emilija Gagrčin, Nadja Schaetz, Roland Toth, Martin Emmer</i> 2. The understanding of social media business and operational logics among young people, <i>Sirkku Kotilainen, Guna Spurava</i> 3. Vlogs as a voice in public debate – youth audience's civic competences, <i>Agnieszka Kampka</i> <p>Chair: <i>Nils Frederik Tolksdorf</i></p>
11:30	Coffee Break
11:45	<p>Panel 12: Big Data & AI as Structural Challenges to Democracy (Schumpeter-Room)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Democratizing Algorithms? An Assessment of a Potentially Dangerous Endeavor, <i>Hermann Diebel-Fischer</i> 2. Digital Transformations of Democracy: Requirements for Successful Problem Solving, <i>Jan-Philipp Kruse</i> 3. Algorithmic Decision Making and What it Means for Democracy, <i>Philipp Buchallik</i> 4. Adaption to algorithmic curation—a threat for the democratic value of journalism? A Systematic Literature Review on Journalistic Content Produced for Social Media Platforms, <i>Luise Anter</i> 5. Endangering Democratic Debate? A Fundamental Rights Analysis of Automated Content Moderation in Social Media, <i>Lisa Wiese, Johannes Weil</i> <p>Chair: <i>Stephanie Schiedermaier</i></p>
	<p>Panel 13: Digital Democracy and Participation in the Platform Economy (Curtius-Room)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Typologies of Political Online Participation – Illustrative Snapshots or Substantial Research Strategy?, <i>Martin Emmer, Christian Strippel, Pablo Porten-Cheé, Roland Toth</i> 2. Re-conceptualising the design of digital democracy, <i>Gianluca Sgueo, Gianluca Misuraca</i> 3. "Economic Dimensions of Democratisation in the Platform Economy", <i>Katjo Buissink</i> 4. Digital Participatory Urban Development: The Architecture of Digital Tools and Idealizations of City-Making, <i>Simone Tappert, Aline Suter</i> <p>Chair: <i>Fabian Haak</i></p>
13:45	Lunch Break
14:45	<p>Panel 14: Social Media as Digital Arenas and Home for “Alternative Facts” (Schumpeter-Room)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Emergence and negotiation of the incivil concept CoStaPo in a reactive telegram group, <i>Maximilian Krug</i> 2. Incivility in Online Public Discussions, <i>Marika Bormann, Jan Philipp Kluck, Gerhard Vowe, Nicole Krämer</i> 3. Risk communication as a risk to democracy. The case of radon gas, <i>Berta García Orosa, José Luis Capón García, Tania Forja</i> 4. Hostile Social Media Effect of Cancel Culture on Partisan Support for Anti-LGBTQ Censorship Legislation in the United States, <i>Joon Soo Lim</i> <p>Chair: <i>Mario Anastasiadis</i></p>
	<p>Panel 15: Security and Privacy in the Digital Age (Curtius-Room)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Same Same, but Different: Lack of Standardization in Measurement of Cybersecurity Self-Efficacy, <i>Nele Borgert</i> 2. The Measurement of Self-Efficacy in Information Security Research: A Mixed Methods Evaluation of Popular Scales, <i>Luisa Jansen</i> 3. Predictors of Cognitive Performance in Software Reverse Engineering and Code Obfuscation, <i>Salsabil Hamadache</i> 4. Computational Thinking as a Theoretical Framework for Examining the Problem-Solving Skills of IT Security Professionals, <i>Martin Bordewieck</i> <p>Chair: <i>Malte Elson</i></p>
16:45	Summary and future perspectives (Schumpeter-Room)
17:00	End of Conference

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