PROGRAMME


Directors: Loreto Corredoira, José María Coello de Portugal and Rafael Rubio.

WEDNESDAY 10. FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION UCM

8.30 ACCREDITATIONS

9.30 OPENING SESSION
Participants:
– Secretary of the Venice Commission
– President of the Central Electoral Commission
– Director of the Centre for Political and Constitutional Studies
– Representative of the Global Electoral Justice Network
– Rector of UCM
– Deans of the Faculties of Law and Information Sciences
– Loreto Corredoira, Organizing Committee, Co-IP SN Disorders

10.15 PLENARY SESSION 1: Media: information, opinion and disinformation.
Moderated by: Ignacio Bel Mallén, Universidad Complutense.
Participants:
– Diego Garrocho. Head of opinion for ABC.
– Leyre Iglesias. Head of opinion of El Mundo.
– Esteban Hernández. Head of opinion of El Confidencial.
– Pilar Velasco. Director of Demócrata.
11.45 Coffee break.

12.15 ACADEMIC ROUNDTABLES:

- **Roundtable 1. Polarisation and vulnerable audiences.**
  Moderated by: José Antonio Sanz, Complutense University.
  Participants:
  - Leopoldo Abad Alcalá. *New digital divides: more vulnerable to misinformation.*
  - Irene Delgado Sotillos. *Polarisation: the vicious circle between parties and institutions.*
  - María Benita Beneitez Romero. *From citizenship to unexpected citizens.*
  - Alfonso Palacios Torres. *Social networks in plebiscitary democracy.*
  - Álvaro Antoral Arenas. *Hostile narratives and algorithms for the erosion of public debate and democratic institutions.*
  - Andrés Benítez Espinosa. *The influence of new political communication on the perception of consensus.*
  - José Antonio Sanz. *Polarisation, misinformation and populism: the People-as-One and (all) vulnerable publics.*

- **Roundtable 2. Decoding electoral processes: digital literacy and skills to prevent disinformation.**
  Moderated by: Miguel Ángel Gonzalo, Congress of Deputies.
  Participants:
  - Alba Toajas Archivo. *Experiences of re-appropriation and information literacy.*
  - Stéphane M. Grueso. *Educating citizens to think critically: a barrier against misinformation.*
  - Juan José Prieto. *How libraries combat misinformation.*
  - Jessica Zorogastua. *Media Literacy Initiatives in Spain in educational centres to fight misinformation: projects and tools promoted in 2022.*
  - Miguel Ángel Gonzalo. *Digital skills for political participation.*

- **Roundtable 3. Social networks and content moderation (Part I).**
  Moderated by: Oscar Jaramillo, Finis Terrae University.
  Participants:
  - Luis Salvador. *Data protection and the implementation of content moderation treatments.*
  - Arancha Moretón. *The legal position of the new intermediaries in the communicative process.*
  - Mercedes Yela Uceda. *Fake news, freedom of speech and Criminal Law: is it all in social networks?*
  - David Bustos Álvarez. *Self-regulatory measures for social platforms in the context of electoral processes.*
− Oscar Jaramillo. *Characterisation of the information flow of disinformation in social networks: the Chilean case on Twitter between 2019 and 2022.*

14.00 Lunch. Sponsored by *The Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence FREuDE.*

15.30 PLENARY SESSION 2: Venice Commission. *Disinformation campaigns and their risks to democracy: towards the creation of a regulatory framework to protect electoral integrity?* Moderated by: Rafa Rubio, Professor of Constitutional Law, Complutense University. Participants:
− Humberto Sierra Porto, judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. Externado University.
− Óscar Sánchez Muñoz. Lecturer of Constitutional Law, University of Valladolid.
− Argelia Queralt Jiménez. Lecturer of Constitutional Law, University of Barcelona.

17.00 ACADEMIC ROUNDTABLES

**Roundtable 4. Social networks and content moderation (Part II).** Moderated by: Rodrigo Cetina, Pompeu Fabra University. Participants:
− Álvaro de Argüelles. *Legal tools for monitoring social media in the Middle East and North Africa.*
− Roberto Carlos Rosino Calle. *Feasibility of a hypothetical administrative hijacking of websites as a mechanism for the removal of hate speech.*
− María Garrote de Marcos. *Moderation in the digital space during the election period.*
− Jorge Abaurrea. *Study on the terms and conditions, self-regulation and the DSA. The applied case of Twitter.*
− Tamara Álvarez Robles. *Disinformation as a hybrid threat conditioning public opinion: actors involved, manipulation techniques and possible responses.*
− Patricia Muñoz Carrasco. *Arguments for the legal limitation of the powers to remove political content from social media platforms.*

**Roundtable 5. Disinformation in social networks: proposals to combat it from the journalism.** Moderated by: Carmen Beatriz Fernández, University of Navarra. Participants:
− Catalina Gaete Salgado. *Journalists requesting information from the state: should media professionals have more guarantees in the Transparency Law to fight disinformation?*
− David Parra Valcarce y María Rosario Onieva Mallero. *Promoting collaborative journalism to combat disinformation: an analysis of the EU’s Journalism Partnerships initiative.*
− Eva Amador (online). *Political polarisation in new technologies.*
− Roelisabell García Rossó. *Youth, campaigns, social media and misinformation.*
− Carmen Beatriz Fernández y Jordi Rodríguez Vigili. *Citizens’ concerns about disinformation in Latin America. Towards a model to identify information vulnerability.*

**Roundtable 6. Disinformation and the media.** Moderated by: Ignacio Álvarez, Complutense University. Participants:
- Adriana Amado Suárez. The regulation of the electoral information in the 21st century: from videopolitics to networked communication.
- Jorge Ulloa Plaza. Role of the media for constituent process in a context of states of exception.
- Roberto Rodríguez Andrés. The role of the media in disseminating and/or combating disinformation yesterday and today: a comparative analysis of the role of journalists in disinformation campaigns in the Cold War and in the current era of post-truth and fake news.
- Isabel Serrano Maíllo. Statistical data as source of disinformation in election (and non-election) periods.
- Ignacio Álvarez. Surveillance Capitalism and the Constitution.

- **Roundtable 7. Dysfunctions and democratic experiences in Spain, comparative perspective.**
  Moderated by: David Sarias, Rey Juan Carlos University.
  Participants:
  - Jorge Vilches. The Six-year democracy (1868-1874).
  - José María Marco. The Restoration (1874-1923).
  - Jacob González Castro. Populism in Spain: the communicative dimension in the cases of VOX and Podemos.

18.30 Visit to the Royal Theatre (prior invitation, due to the limited capacity)

20.30 Tapas in Plaza de Oriente (location to be confirmed, price not included in the registration fee)

**THURSDAY 11. FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION UCM**

  Moderator: Katharine Sarikakis, University of Vienna.
  Participants:
  - Ingrid Bicu, expert in strategic communication and elections from Romania, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA) (RMJE).
  - Katharina Pabel, lecturer of International and Public Law at University of Economics and Business Administration, Vienna (Venice Commission).
  - Ann Ravel, commissioner of the Federal Election Commission (EEUU), Universidad de Berkeley, California.

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 ACADEMIC ROUNDTABLES

- **Roundtable 8. European regulation.**
  Moderated by: Covadonga Ferrer, Complutense University.
Participants:
- Moisés Barrio. News of the IA, DSA y DMA Regulations.
- María Diez Crego. EU Regulation of political marketing.
- Elena Herrero-Beaumont. The EMFA: transparency and governance of the media as guarantees of the public’s right to truthful information.
- Ferrán Armengol Ferrer. European Union and disinformation: from the fefense to guarantee.
- Covadonga Ferrer. Electoral micro-tartgeting: How to protect the data of people’s political opinions?

**Roundtable 9. Comparative models.**
Moderated by: Ángela Moreno, Complutense University.
Participants:
- Nairbis Desiree Sibrian Díaz y María José Labrador Blanes. Disinformation and regulatory frameworks in Latin America: is it possible to control hate campaigns and deletion of massice data?
- Manuel Pereiro Cárcel. Models of administrative intervention and fake news.
- Chiara Cerbone. New frontiers in the regulation of the digital electoral campaigns: a comparative study between Italy and Spain based on recent EU actions to guarantee transparency in political advertising.
- Alejandro Manzorro Reyes. The importance of the digital chain of custody in electoral processes. Regarding Supreme Court decision no. 597/2022.
- Gonzalo Ramírez Cleves y Magdalena Inés Correa Henao. The non-regulation of electoral manipulation and misinformation in the presidential elections in Colombia in 2022.
- Zyanya Aviles. Regulation of freedom of expression in social networks: differentiated criteria of the Specialized Chamber and the Superior Chamber of the TEPJF.

**Roundtable 10. The Brazil 2022 election campaign: challenges and lessons learned.**
Moderated by: Vitor Monteiro, Complutense University.
Participants:
- Frederico Franco Alvim. Of the strategies of discursive production in the attacks on the Brazilian democratic institutions.
- Rafa Rubio. The electoral observation mission on misinformation in the Brazilian elections.
- Ana Claudia Santano. The needs and narratives: the Brazilian electronic voting system from a public policy perspective.
- Cármén Lúcia Antunes Rocha (online). How can the judiciary confront disinformation?
- Vitor Monteiro. Successful initiatives developed by the Brazilian Electoral Justice with the help of allies to deal with disinformation in the 2022 elections.

**13.00 PLENARY SESSION 4: Centre for Political and Constitutional Studies. Tecnology, democracy and elections.**
Moderator: Leyre Burguera Ameave, UNED.
Participants:
- Francisco Balaguer Callejón, Professor of Constitucional Law, Universidad de Granada.
– Albertina Piterbarg, expert in Electoral Law, UNESCO.
– Sarah Bender, J.D. Candidate, Darrow Scholar, University of Michigan Law School.
– Ardit Driza Maurer, expert in Electoral Law, Centre for Democracy Studies Aarau (ZDA), University of Zurich.

**14.30 Lunch.** Sponsored by *The Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence FREuDE.*

**16.00 PLENARY SESSION 5. The hybrid threat and its link to national security through democratic institutions and processes.**
Moderator: Carlos Gajero Grande. Principal Commissioner, Head of Central Unit, General Information Commissioner.
Participants:
– Rear Admiral Javier Roca, 2nd Commander-in-Chief of the Joint Cyberspace Command (Ministry of Defence)
– Captain Ignacio Nieto. Head of Section in the Strategy Division of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (Ministry of Defence)
– Javier Candau. Head of the Cybersecurity Department of the CNI/CCN (Ministry of Defence)
– Marina Rodríguez. Head of the Cybersecurity and Anti-Disinformation Unit of the Department of National Security (Ministry of the Presidency)
– Álvaro Lossada. Head of the Cybersecurity Coordination Office of the State Secretariat for Security (Ministry of the Interior)
– Commissioner Laura Baos. Head of Brigade of the General Information Commissariat (Ministry of the Interior)

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**18.00 ACADEMIC ROUNDTABLES**

- **Roundtable 11. Judges, media and disinformation.**
  Moderated by: Rosa Mª Fernández, Complutense University.
  Participants:
  – Cristián Letelier Aguilar. *Judges and parallel trials.*
  – Natalia Velilla. *Is the presence in the Social Networks of the judges good?*
  – Fernando de la Fuente Honrubia. *Should judges participate through the media? How, why...?*
  – Fernando Portillo. *Judges and social networks.*

- **Roundtable 12. Disinformation and sovereignty.**
  Moderated by: Valentina Martínez Ferro. Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.
  Participants:
  – Kateryna Horska. *Combating Disinformation In Media In Wartime: Ukraine’s Experience*
– Fabricio Bertini Pasquot Polido. *Digital Platforms, content moderation systems and anti-democratic online content: a comparative overview of the 08/01 Assault in Brazil.*
– Emanuele Cocchiara. *Freedom of thought in the algorithmic era: electoral process and “Bubble democracy”.*
– Oleksandra Gudkova. *Countering double disinformation by feminist activists in Russia and Ukraine.*

**FRIDAY 12. CONGRESS OF DEPUTIES (Constitutional room)**

**9.00 Accreditations (entrance from Cedaceros street)**

**10.00 PLENARY SESSION 6. Guarantees of information rights in electoral periods.**
Moderated by: Lourdes López Nieto, UNED.
Participants:
– Altus Baquero Rueda, Magistrate of the National Electoral Council (Colombia).
– André Ramos Tavares, Magistrate of the Superior Electoral Court (Brazil).
– Carlos Vidal, Member of the Central Electoral Board (Spain).
– José Luis Vargas Valdez, Magistrate of the Electoral Court of the Federal Judiciary (Mexico).
– Eduardo Valdés, Magistrate Vicepresident of the Electoral Court (Panamá).

**11.00 Coffee break**

**Presentation of books**

– *Reflections for a quality democracy in a digital era.* Rosa Fernández and Ángel Sánchez Navarro
– *Balance between information and private life in the virtual environment.* Ángela Moreno
– *The action of third parties through social networks in election campaigns.* Rafa Rubio

**12.00 PLENARY SESSION 7. Research groups.**
Moderated by: Loreto Corredoira, Complutense University.
Participants:
– Laura Teruel, Co-IP of the Excellence Project of the Junta de Andalucía-FEDER. DesinfoAND.
– José Julio Fernández (Santiago de Compostela University): IP of the Project Manipulation of information as a problem of security and democratic quality: description, consequences and answers and of the Project of the Center for Securities Studies (CESEG), a mixed center formed by the Santiago de Compostela University and the High Center for Studies of National Defense (CESEDEN).
– Eva Campos: Project Disinformation flows, polarisation and crisis of media intermediation (Disflows).
– Ramón Salaverria (Iberifier).
– Cristina Arribas, Grupo Ciberimaginario, Rey Juan Carlos University.
– Ángela Moreno, Legal regulation and participation of the digital citizen.

**13.30 CLOSING SESSION. Catalina Botero, Meta Oversight Board, Colombia.**
Mr. Joaquín Goyache. Rector of the Complutense University.