



## PROGRAMME

### III International Conference on Cybersecurity and Elections. Guarantees against information disorders in the digital arena. Democracy, rights and elections.

**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.
- Daniel Gascón. Columnist for El País, Letras Libres.

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#### **11.45 Coffee break.**

#### **12.15 ACADEMIC ROUNDTABLES:**

- **Roundtable 1. Polarisation and vulnerable audiences.**

Moderated by: José Antonio Sanz, Complutense University.

Participants:

- María Sánchez Valle. *Polarisation: a brake on older people's participation in social networks.*
- 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.*
- Beatriz C. Martínez Isidoro. *The institutional fight against disinformation versus citizens' freedom of information.*
- 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?*
- Borja Sánchez Barroso. *Online liability: analysis in the light of the cases González v. Google and Twitter v. Taamneh.*
- David Bustos Álvarez. *Self-regulatory measures for social platforms in the context of electoral processes.*
- Ian Eric Dávila Cortés. *The use of artificial intelligence for political-electoral purposes: the case of Mexico.*

- 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 Malleró. *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).*
- Joseba Louzao. *The 2nd Republic (1932-1936).*
- Lourdes López Nieto. *Guarantees of electoral processes in Spain.*
- Javier Santos Sánchez. *Data protection: the treatment of ideology and its risks for democracy in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.*
- 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

### **9.30 PLENARY SESSION 3: The Global Electoral Justice Network. Disinformation campaigns and their risks for democracy: creating a framework for their regulation? (EN)**

Moderator: Katharine Sarikakis, University of Vienna.

Participants:

- Katherine Ellena, Vicepresidenta de Programas, International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) (RMJE).
- 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.*
- Rosa María García Sanz. *Can the Digital Services Act protect us from misinformation? A critical reflexion.*
- Ferrán Armengol Ferrer. *European Union and disinformation: from the defense to guarantee.*
- Covadonga Ferrer. *Electoral micro-targeting: 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 massive data?*
- Manuel Pereiro Cárceles. *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.*
- Vinícius Quintino de Oliveira. *National Electoral Observation and the Brazilian elections of 2022: integrity, trust and transparency.*
- 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.*
- Carmen 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. Technology, 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.
- Ardita 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 M<sup>a</sup> 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.*
- Giuseppe Eduardo Polizzi. *Freedom of expression and judges in the Italian model.*
- Cristina Hermida del Llano. *The origin and function of the Judicial Ethics Committee of the General Council of the Judiciary.*
- Rosa M<sup>a</sup> Fernández Riveira. *Judges' freedom of expression: a difficult dialogue between the Media and judicial independence.*

• **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*
- Alberto Guevara Castro, Ingrid Bicu y Andi Mihalache. *Regulatory challenges for upholding human rights in election-related digital environments.*

- 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*.
- Valentina Martínez Ferro. *Manipulation of foreign actors: a threat to democracies*.

## 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).
- Juan A. Nicolás (University of Granada): Symposium Posverdad.
- 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.**