

HEALTHY ONLINE INFORMATION SPACES: FROM POLICY GUIDANCE TO PATHWAYS FORWARD



BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS AND MODERATORS

Opening Session – Room 533 – 9.30-9.45



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Ambassador Jan Braathu is the sixth OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, appointed in December 2024. Prior to his appointment, Braathu served as Head of the OSCE Mission to Serbia from January 2021 to December 2024 and Head of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo from October 2016 until December 2020. Previously, he was Norway's Ambassador to Kosovo and Albania, and Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina. His other assignments have included serving as Deputy Director General and Head of the Division for Western Balkan Affairs. Braathu also served in the Norwegian Foreign Ministry's OSCE Chairpersonship-in-Office Section from 1998 to 2000. He held the role of First Secretary and Acting Counsellor for Economic Affairs at the Royal Norwegian Embassy to the Court of St. James's from 1993 to 1996. He was also First Secretary at the Royal Norwegian Embassies in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia from 1990 to 1993.



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Claire Haering is a Project Assistant in the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, and works on the project "Healthy Online Information Spaces". She focuses in particular on the impact of new technologies and (generative) AI on freedom of expression and freedom of the media online. She previously worked at the Permanent Representation of France to the OSCE (Vienna) as a Support and Communications Assistant. Claire also gathered valuable professional experiences as a Junior Attaché at the French Embassy in Vienna as well as in two renowned think-tanks - the German Council of Foreign Relations in Berlin and the Austria Institute for European and Security Policy in Vienna - where she worked as a Research Assistant. Her academic background is in international relations and law, in particular public international law and international human rights law.

Session I – Digital Authoritarianism and Media Freedom – Room 533 – 9.45-10.45



Bojana Kostic

Bojana Kostic is an independent researcher specializing in freedom of expression and media freedom, with a focus on media and platform regulation, journalist safety, and intersectional justice principles. With extensive experience in the Western Balkans and Eastern Europe, she has developed a particular expertise in analysing the impact of technology on human rights in authoritarian contexts. Bojana regularly collaborates with international and media freedom organizations, contributing her knowledge to policy development and advocacy efforts aimed at fostering human rights and safeguarding democratic principles in the digital age.



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Amy Brouillette is the Director of Advocacy at the International Press Institute, an organization that works with a global network of editors, media executives and leading journalists to defend press freedom and independent journalism around the world. At IPI, she is responsible for developing and leading the organisation's global advocacy strategies, responses, and messaging, including leading engagements with regional and international multilateral institutions. She currently serves as a co-chair of the Media Freedom Coalition-Consultative Network, a group of civil society organizations that advise the MFC on cases of concern regarding media freedom and the safety of journalists. She has a master's degree in journalism from the University of Colorado, Boulder, and a master's degree in history from Central European University in Budapest.



Tanja Fachathaler

Tanja Fachathaler is a Policy Advisor with the Vienna-based digital rights NGO "epicenter.works" where she leads on the organisation's work before the United Nations. In particular, she was involved in a civil society coalition undertaking advocacy and providing expertise around the negotiations of the UN Cybercrime Convention. Tanja studied law as well as human rights and democratization in Vienna, Venice and Seville. She has several years of experience in different positions in the legal sector, both in Austria - for example in administrative justice or in a law firm - and in Brussels for human rights organizations and a consulting firm working for the EU institutions.



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Arzu Geybullayeva is a freelance journalist from Baku based in Istanbul. She has written for numerous international publications including AlJazeera, Open Democracy, Eurasianet, Foreign Policy, Meduza and CODA. Since 2015, she has been actively involved in projects focusing on the safety of women journalists online, platform accountability, and transparency. She also writes about digital authoritarianism and its implications on civil society in Azerbaijan. Last year, she was among several authors of the Citizen Lab report looking at gender-based digital transnational repression.



Courtney C. Radsch

Courtney C. Radsch, PhD, is Director of the Center for Journalism and Liberty at the Open Markets Institute and a nonresident fellow at Brookings. As a global thought leader on the intersection of technology, media, and rights, her research and analysis have been published in leading media outlets and scholarly journals and she earned a spot on the list of 100 Brilliant Women in AI Ethics. She has testified before congressional, parliamentary, and competition authorities around the world and advised publishers and journalism leaders about how tech and AI impact journalism, media sustainability and human rights around the world.



Begaim Usenova

Begaim Usenova is the Director of Media Policy Institute in Kyrgyzstan. She is an expert in media law, media freedom, and media literacy in Central Asia. With over a decade of experience, she has conducted research, legal analysis, and provided policy recommendations on the development of independent journalism and media literacy in Kyrgyzstan. A strong advocate for public interest journalism, Begaim has focused particularly on the impact of online harassment of journalists, exploring how such threats undermine press freedom and the safety of media professionals, especially women journalists. Through collaboration with international organizations, state institutions, and civil society, she plays an active role in shaping media policy to strengthen press freedom amid growing challenges and threats to independent journalism.

Session II – Digital Humanism: The Role of Public Interest Media – Room 532 – 9.45-10.45



Erich Prem

Erich Prem is a computer scientist, AI expert, and philosopher. For more than two decades he worked in international research and innovation strategy and RTDI policy. He received his Dr. phil. (epistemology) from the University of Vienna and his Dr. tech. (computer science, AI) from TU Vienna. Erich is also a certified managerial economist who received his MBA in General Management from Donau University. His research interests include artificial intelligence, embodied AI, research politics, innovation research, AI ethics, and epistemology. Currently he works on ethical and epistemological questions of AI. Erich is a frequent coordinator of EU projects, an evaluator of RTD projects for the European Commission and an experienced programme manager. He also has a consultancy company for strategic RTDI management: eutema.



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Irene Jay Liu is Director of AI, Emerging Technology & Regulation at the International Fund for Public Interest Media. She previously led the Google News Lab in the Asia-Pacific region and was an investigative reporter and data editor at Reuters, where she was a 2017 Pulitzer finalist in the national reporting category. Earlier, she was a reporter at the South China Morning Post in Hong Kong and the Times Union in Albany, New York and taught data-driven investigative journalism at the University of Hong Kong and Chinese University of Hong Kong.



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Paula Miraglia is the founder and CEO of Momentum – Journalism & Tech Task Force. She is also the co-founder and publisher of Gama Revista. She co-founded and directed Nexa Jornal for eight years. Paula holds a Ph.D. in Social Anthropology from the University of São Paulo (USP), where she also completed her master's and undergraduate studies in Social Sciences. She is a Sulzberger Fellow at Columbia University. Paula has held leadership roles in international organizations and served as a consultant for the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank. She serves on the boards of the Center for News Technology and Innovation, the International Press Institute, Instituto de Referência Negra Peregum, Brazilian Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (BPBES) and Data Privacy Brasil.



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Amy Mitchell is the founding Executive Director of the Center for News, Technology & Innovation (CNTI). Prior to this role, she served as Managing Director of News and Information Research at the Pew Research Center. In her 25 years with Pew Research, Amy helped launch the journalism research program and served as managing director since 2010, responsible for the center's research related to news and information, including how the public accesses, engages with and creates news, what news organizations are providing, and the evolving role of technology in the flow of news and information. Amy is an expert in project design & management, methodological application & evaluation, analysis and writing, and is a graduate of Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.



Florian Novak

Dr. Florian Novak is an award-winning, accomplished serial media entrepreneur with a mission to move media into the 21st century. He is the founder and publisher of JETZT. Back in 1997, he co-founded Radio Energy Vienna and he later built the Austria-wide radio station network LoungeFM. With his award-winning start-up Tonio, a global standard “the QR code via audio”, he has an extensive track record of managing the transition from old to new media and new business development. Florian has worked with clients around the world, including WarnerMedia and Red Bull Mediahouse. Early experiences in journalism grounded his belief in the importance of independent, trustworthy journalism. The value of freedom of speech and public value media were the focus of his PhD at the University of Vienna, School of Law.



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Klaus Unterberger is Head of the “Public Value Department” at the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation (ORF). He is in charge of quality control, internal and international communications relevant to the public service mission and remit. He is a member of ORF’s Board of Ethics. For many years, he has been a lecturer at the Institute for Political Science at the University of Vienna and has produced numerous TV documentaries. He is also co-initiator of the “Public Service Internet Manifesto”.



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Sophia Wistehube is a Legal Counsel at the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), specializing in issues of human rights and democracy. Before joining the EBU she worked at the European Court of Human Rights and the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe. She holds a Juris Doctor from Columbia Law School.

Session III – Human Rights-Based Digital Rules – Room 533 – 10.45-11.45



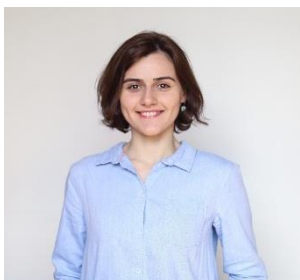
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Nino Macharashvili is the co-founder and director of ForSet, a data-driven communications organization based in Tbilisi, Georgia. She is a founding supervisory board member of the Georgian AI Association (GAIA) and previously worked as a data journalist and projects coordinator at JumpStart Georgia. Nino also co-founded and served as the first president of the Digital Communication Network, a community of digital professionals dedicated to tackling challenges to democracy. Nino is also the founder of DataFest Tbilisi, the first annual international data conference in the South Caucasus, where she brings together data enthusiasts from across disciplines. With a keen focus on the intersection of technology and media, Nino has co-authored tech tools to combat disinformation, improve access to information, and foster audience engagement.



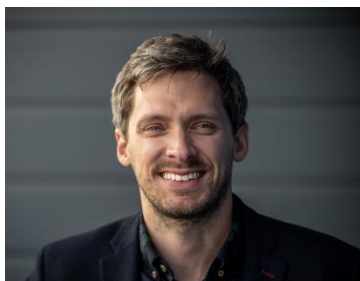
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Eliška Pírková works as a Senior Policy Analyst and the Global freedom of expression lead at Access Now, the international human rights organization that defends and extends the digital rights of online users at risk around the world. As a member of the European Access Now team, she leads the work on freedom of expression, content governance, and platform accountability. She is a human rights lawyer by education and training, with previous experience working for international organizations and as a legal researcher. She acted as an independent expert for international organizations, including the Council of Europe's Committee of Experts on Combating Hate Speech.



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Christoph Schmon is the International Policy Director of Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF). He bridges EFF's domestic priorities with the organization's international policy strategy and helps to make sure that digital rights are respected and enforced beyond the United States borders. Christoph has deep expertise in EU policy-making and he represents EFF's advocacy for a free internet and online privacy before European lawmakers in Brussels. Prior to working for EFF, he led the Consumer Rights Team at the EU Consumer Organisation (BEUC) and was appointed member of several expert groups to the EU Commission in Brussels. Christoph has litigation experience and holds a Ph.D in law. He was a researcher at several universities and teaches and writes about consumer law, digital rights, and private international law.



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Session IV – Think for Yourself: Human Autonomy and AI – Room 532 – 10.45-11.45



Susan Kerr

Dr. Susan Kerr is the Senior Adviser on Freedom of Religion or Belief at the OSCE's Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR). In this role, Susan works to raise awareness of the human right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief (FoRB), to assist OSCE participating States in the implementation of OSCE FoRB-related commitments, and to empower civil society to defend this right. Prior to working at ODIHR, Susan worked in Brussels, including from within the European Parliament and the nonprofit sector, where she specialized in FoRB. Susan holds a PhD in peace studies from the University of Bradford, and an MBA from Durham University.



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Patricia Shaw is CEO of Beyond Reach Consulting Limited. She is an international AI and Data Ethics, Policy, and Governance advisor, AI Act Standards Liaison for Equinet, and is on the Board of Women Leading in AI, and an expert advisor to AI and Faith. She is co-rapporteur on the Council of Europe's MSI-AI Generative AI and Freedom of Expression forthcoming Guidance Note. Patricia Shaw has over 20 years' experience as a lawyer in data, technology and regulatory/government affairs and is a registered Solicitor in England and Wales, and the Republic of Ireland. During her time working as a Solicitor, she has worked for both FTSE50 companies and the NHS. She has authored and edited several works on law and regulation, policy, ethics, and AI.



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Session V – PeaceTech: What is Means for Media Freedom – Room 533 – 12.15-13.30



Nathan Coyle

Nathan Coyle is the Co-Founder and Lead of the PeaceTech Alliance, hosted at the Austrian Institute for Technology, a human centric global looking PeaceTech network for Austria, working with peacebuilding, academic, and government partners across the country. Nathan, who also leads on PeaceTech at the Austrian Centre for Peace, has partnered with governments across the globe to enhance their digital outreach efforts. He is a Fellow at The Royal Society of Arts in his native Britain and a writer, contributing to publications such as The Guardian, The Huffington Post and more. He has also authored a book called 'Open Data for Everybody: Using Open Data for Social Good' which is available via Routledge, and has conducted various talks on social tech across Europe, including the European Union, UN Cyber Hub, OSCE and he is also a TEDx speaker.



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**Session VI – Platforms, Networks, and Freedom: Securing Public Interest Infrastructure for Media Freedom – Room 532
12.15-13.30**



Deniz Wagner

Deniz Wagner is an independent expert on media freedom, technology, and security. She is currently a consultant at the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, conducting their work on media freedom, democracy and security. Deniz led the OSCE's first project on Artificial Intelligence and Freedom of Expression, was rapporteur to the OSCE Advisory Group of Eminent Experts on Freedom of the Media, and author of the OSCE book 'Can there be Security without Media Freedom?'. She has directed projects establishing independent oversight bodies for the media industry, supported legal reform to enhance media pluralism in Europe, and developed human rights-based guidance to addressing disinformation in the digital age. Previously, Deniz worked in strategic communications, and was a Senior Adviser for Human Rights at the Austrian Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs.



Max van Drunen

Max van Drunen is a postdoctoral researcher at the Institute for Information Law, University of Amsterdam. His research focuses on the regulation of technology used to create or distribute news and other public interest content, and combines law with communication and computer science. To that end he has researched how AI companies' control over technological infrastructure threatens media freedom, what responsibilities platforms and media organizations take on when they personalize the news people see, and how researchers can be guaranteed effective access to the data they need to scrutinize platforms. At present, he is collaborating in a Horizon project building a digital twin of social media platforms to allow regulators to test regulatory interventions and assess risks regarding disinformation, hate speech, and journalism.



Gülsin Harman

Gülsin Harman is an Istanbul-based journalist who frequently contributes to the New York Times and the BBC Monitoring's coverage of Turkey and the surrounding region. She also works as an editorial strategy consultant for independent news media in Turkey, assisting the outlets with adopting a user-centric and innovative mindset to build sustainable audience relationships and products to generate impact. Her research on journalism ecosystems includes a report on the sustainability, innovation and impact of digital independent media in the country. She was a 2020 fellow at the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard.



Felix Hlatky

Felix is an accomplished financial and operational leader with over a decade of experience as a CEO and CFO. As Mastodon's first non-technical hire, he has spent more than five years shaping the organization's financial and operational strategy while remaining true to its community-driven mission. He helped Mastodon's founder Eugen Rochko to incorporate the German non-profit entity and is a co-founder and board member of Mastodon's US entity, Mastodon Inc., which has 501(c)(3) status. He is passionate about sustainable growth and ethical business practices and has a deep commitment to open-source principles.



Tom Law

Tom Law is the Deputy Director of the Global Forum for Media Development (GFMD) — the world’s leading network advancing innovative policies and programs that sustain journalism as a public good. Since 2020, he has led GFMD’s media policy and advocacy initiatives, drawing on the collective expertise of more than 200 member organizations worldwide. Before joining GFMD, Tom spent four years with the Ethical Journalism Network (EJN), where he directed campaigns and programs on hate speech, media literacy, migration reporting, good governance, and self-regulation. Tom was a member of the Council of Europe’s committee of experts on quality journalism in the digital age which drafted recommendations on promoting a favorable environment for quality journalism in the digital age which was adopted by the Committee of Ministers in 2022. With extensive experience in journalism and international media development, Tom worked for five years with independent media outlets in Sudan and South Sudan.



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High-Level Launch of the Policy Manual “Safeguarding Media Freedom in the Age of Big Tech Platforms and AI”

Neuer Saal – 15.00-17.00



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Dr. Anya Schiffrin is the director of the technology and media specialization at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs and a senior lecturer who teaches on global media, innovation and human rights. She received her PHD from the University of Navarra, after writing a dissertation on the subject of solutions to online mis/disinformation. She is the editor of both *Global Muckraking* (New Press 2014) and *Africa Muckraking* (Jacana 2016) which are collections of investigative reporting in the global south that go back more than 150 years. She's edited three volumes on the subject of media capture including *Media Capture: How Money, Digital Platforms and Governments Control the News* (Columbia University Press 2021). Of late, she's been looking at government policies to support journalism as well as platform remuneration laws and the role of philanthropy. She is an internationally known expert on AI and journalism, advocating for payments to media outlets whose content is circulated by AI firms as well as social media platforms.



Katharina Zügel

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Closing Session – Neuer Saal – 17.00-17.30



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