

The DSA came into force: What does this mean for the fight against disinformation in Germany?

Interdisciplinary workshop

Over the past years, 'disinformation' has established itself as a societal problem able to command significant political and public attention. At the same time, governments and agencies around the world are in the process of configuring new legal and regulatory instruments as they seek to manage and mitigate the harms induced by disinformation communications. In the EU, the 'Digital Services Act (DSA)' is an example of this, which is being implemented in Germany through the corresponding national accompanying law - the so-called 'Digitale Dienste Gesetz (DDG)'. When it comes to regulating disinformation, there are basically three challenges: (1) What is the definition of disinformation?, (2) Who is responsible for regulating disinformation? and (3) How to effectively combat disinformation?

In this workshop, speakers from different disciplines will address the 3W questions and answer the question of what the new regulations mean for the fight against disinformation in Germany from their respective perspectives. The workshop is organised by Dr Nora Jansen as part of her 'Young Investigator' fellowship at the Centre for Responsible Digitality (ZEVEDI).

When?

Thursday, 21st November 2024, 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Where?

Goethe University Frankfurt, Campus Westend

Registration

Please register for your participation in the workshop by sending an email to jansen@wiwi.uni-frankfurt.de by 15 November 2024. All further information will be sent to you after your registration.

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1:00 pm: Opening & Welcome

Dr Nora Jansen, Goethe University Frankfurt and ZEVEDI 'Young Investigator'

1:10 pm: Hanna Katharina Müller, Federal Ministry of the Interior and for Home Affairs

Disinformation as a Hybrid Threat – Security and Socio-political Challenge

1:30 pm: Tahireh Panahi, University of Kassel

Current Disinformation Regulation – Challenges and Potentials

1:50 pm: Discussion

2:10 pm: Thomas Schocke, Federal Network Agency

Responsibilities for the Regulation of Disinformation

2:30 pm: Discussion

2:50 pm: Coffee Break

3:20 pm: Mauritius Dorn, Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD) Germany

Complex Challenges in the Fight against Disinformation: How can the DSA contribute?

3:40 pm: Discussion

4:00 pm: Concluding Discussion & Closing Remarks

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