



The impact of new technologies on democracy and human rights

Programme

18 November 2024

[University of Warsaw, Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28, Pałac Kazimierzowski]

- 16:00 *Arrival of the participants, registration*
- 17:00 Welcome addresses
Professor Alojzy Z. Nowak, Rector of the University of Warsaw
Jakub Wiśniewski, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland
- 17:15 Keynote speech
Bjørn Berge, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- 18:00 *Reception at the invitation of the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

19 November 2024

[University of Warsaw, Dobra 55]

- 9:00 *Arrival of the participants, registration*
- 10:00 **Panel 1: New technologies – a double-edged sword in the fight for freedom and democracy** *(organised by the European Endowment for Democracy)*
- Moderator: Lisbeth Pilegaard, European Endowment for Democracy Executive Committee Chair, Denmark
- Beth Kerley, International Forum for Democratic Studies, National Endowment for Democracy, USA
 - Jelena Adamović, SHARE Foundation in Belgrade, Serbia
 - Pavel Liber, co-founder of Golos and New Belarus Platforms, Belarus
 - Melaniya Podolyak, Grunt Media, Ukraine
- 11:20 *Coffee break*

11:50 **Panel 2: Artificial Intelligence: Opportunities and Challenges for Human Rights**

Moderator: Professor Michał Balcerzak, Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń and University in Szczecin, Co-Editor of "Artificial Intelligence and International Human Rights Law"

- Nighat Dad, Executive Director of the Digital Rights Foundation, Member of the UN High-level Advisory Body on Artificial Intelligence
- Professor Mario Hernandez Ramos, Chair of the Committee on Artificial Intelligence, Council of Europe
- *Member of the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI) [tbc]*
- Dr Zuzanna Warso, Director of Research, Open Future

13:10 *Lunch break*

14:40 **Panel 3: Disinformation and fake news – a growing threat to democracy and security** (*organised by the Community of Democracies*)

Moderator: Mateusz Mielczarek, Permanent Secretariat of the Community of Democracies

- Molly McKew, Lead writer at greatpower.us
- Konrad Adamowicz, Head of Section, Department for Strategic Communications and Countering Foreign Disinformation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland
- Maia Mazurkiewicz, Head of StratCom, Alliance4Europe, Member of the Community of Democracies Working Group on Democracy and Technology

16:00 Closing remarks

Dr Mantas Adomėnas, Secretary General of the Community of Democracies

16:15 *End of the conference*