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# Revisiting Disinformation:

## Critical Media Literacy Approaches

June 27-28, 2025

Xenia Center,  
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# AGENDA



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# DAY 1

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8:30-9:00	Registrations (all day long)
9:00 - 10:20	<p><b>1st Session: Politics &amp; Disinformation I</b> Chair: Andreas Ventsel</p> <p><b>Eleni Chatzimavroudi, Marios-Kyparissis Moros</b> – Allegory in the Service of Power (?): Historical Uses of Misinformation and Disinformation</p> <p><b>Andreas Ventsel, Mari-Liis Madisson</b> – Learning from the Past, Defending the Present: Addressing Weaponized History in Media Literacy for Defence</p> <p><b>Veronika Nagy</b> – Disinformation, Media Literacy, and the Role of Humanitarian Aid in the Geopolitical Discourse of Central Europe</p> <p><b>Tetiana Reshetukha, Oksana Kushnir</b> – Narratives as Weapons: Disinformation Strategies in the Russo-Ukrainian Hybrid War</p>
10:20 - 10:40	COFFEE BREAK
10:40 - 11:05	Opening Ceremony
11:05 - 11:50	Keynote Speaker: George Pleios
11:50 - 13:30	<p><b>2nd Session: Politics, Society and Disinformation</b> Chair: Przemysław Waszak</p> <p><b>Stefano Lovi</b> – Breaking the Echo Chamber: Social Media, Cognitive Biases, and the Fight Against Disinformation</p> <p><b>Yael Ram, Asaf Wiener</b> – Countering Information Disorder in a Multicultural Society: Insights from Israel</p> <p><b>Przemysław Waszak, Dorota Dydjow-Bendek, Magdalena Pierucka, Katarzyna Trzeciak-Bilska, Radosław Czernych, Paweł Zagożdżon</b> – Addressing the Impact of Medical Misinformation</p> <p><b>Thomas Siomos</b> – Crisis, Disinformation, and Discursive Struggles: A Comparative Analysis of Financial and Pandemic Crises</p> <p><b>Saifuddin Ahmed, Muhammad Masood, Kokil Jaidka</b> – The Political Psychology of Deepfakes: Cross-Cultural Insights into Trust, Misinformation, and Cognitive Resilience</p>
13:30-14:50	LUNCH BREAK

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14:50-15:50	<b>SHIELD Symposium:</b> Dimitris Kotzinos (Introduction), Andreas Ventsel & Mari-Liis Madisson (Needs analysis), Konstantinos Sipitanos (Matrix), Panagiota Samioti (Curriculum and some implementations), Christos Gavalas (The Platform), Nadia Tjahja & Georgios Terzis (E-toolkit).
15:50-17:10	<b>3rd Session: Journalism &amp; Fact-Checking</b> Chair: Georgios Terzis  Ioanna Georgia Eskiadi, Nikolaos Panagiotou – Harnessing Emerging Technologies to Combat Disinformation: Innovation, Ethics, and Resilience in Journalism (online)  Saheed Ibrahim, Rukayat Abdullahi – Are they yielding results? Examining fact-checking training on information verification competence of Nigerian Journalism Students  Rui Alexandre Novais, Rogerio Christofolletti – Civil coalitions safeguarding journalism amid disinformation  Kokil Jaidka, Jun Han Wong, Saifuddin Ahmed – Framing Disinformation and the Behavioral Effects of Crowdsourced Fact-Checking
17:10- 17:30	COFFEE BREAK
17:30-18.50	<b>4th Session: Pedagogy &amp; Media Literacy I</b> Chair: Nicola Bruno  Nicola Bruno, Stefano Moriggi, Reggio Emilia, Annamaria De Santis – Measuring Teachers' Digital Literacy Skills: Competency Gaps in Disinformation  Savvas A. Chatzichristofis & Avgousta Kyriakidou Zacharoudiou – Enhancing Critical Thinking and Media Literacy in Students through AI-Based Analysis of News Content  Zoi Philippakos – AI Literacy: A Prompting, Training, and Revising model of writing and revising  Raúl Alberto Mora, Andrés Esteban Tobón-Gallego, Tatiana Gómez-Ramírez, Shara Shalome Ramírez Medina, Nathalia Andrea Robles-Ortiz – Micro-Writing: Learning to Evaluate While Learning to Scholarly Write
20:30	RECEPTION

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09:00-10:20	<p><b>5th Session: Politics &amp; Disinformation II</b> Chair: Mari-Liis Madisson</p> <p><b>Ioannis Paparrigopoulos, Dora Katsamori, George Petasis</b> – Diversifying Conspiracy Theories Typologies</p> <p><b>Natasia Kalajdziovski, Sam Collard</b> – Sports as Politics: Russia’s Disinformation Efforts During the Paris 2024 Olympic Games</p> <p><b>Laura Iannelli, Augusto Valeriani, Giada Marino</b> – Investigating Drivers of Misinformation Sharing Practices: The Role of “News-Finds-Me” Perception, Political Knowledge, and Ideological Extremism</p> <p><b>Rosanna De Rosa &amp; Annarita Criscitiello</b> – Agents and mechanisms of disinformation dissemination. The four arenas of Malign Foreign Information Influence</p>
10:20-10:40	COFFEE BREAK
10:40-11:25	Keynote Speaker: Eva Alandro
11:30-12:50	<p><b>6th Session: Pedagogy &amp; Media Literacy II</b> Chair: Zoi Philippakos</p> <p><b>Hanna Yordan, Synorub Halyna</b> – Integration of Media Literacy into the Curricula of Higher Education Institutions: Effective Practices and Interdisciplinary Context</p> <p><b>Anzhelika Bondarchuk, Andriy Vilchynskyi</b> – Media Literacy as a Factor of Sustainable Development of the Information Space of Communities in the Western Region of Ukraine</p> <p><b>Zoi Philippakos</b> – Developing Strategic Learners: Source Evaluation for Credible Writing</p> <p><b>Marios-Kyparissis Moros</b> – The Fiction of Truth: Literature’s Role in Navigating Disinformation and Media Manipulation</p>
12:50-14:00	LUNCH BREAK

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14:00–15:20	<p><b>7th Session: Pedagogy &amp; Media Literacy III</b> Chair: Panagiota Samioti</p> <p><b>Ioanna Kitsou</b> – How to Critically Identify Fake News in Primary school: A case Study</p> <p><b>Veronika Nagy</b> – Teaching the Risks of LLMs and OSINT Tools Through the Child Tax Benefit Scandal</p> <p><b>Massimo Flore</b> – The Immunity Illusion: Media Literacy in an Age of Identity - Driven Disinformation</p> <p><b>George Potamias, Paraskevi Kanari</b> – Multimodal Interpretation of Misinformation as a Means of Mobbing in the School Workplace: A Case Study</p>
15:20–15:40	COFFEE BREAK
15:40–17:20	<p><b>8th Session: Pedagogy &amp; Media Literacy IV</b> Chair: Konstantinos Sipitanos</p> <p><b>Anna Paraskevaidi</b> – "Critical Literacy as a Tool for Approaching the Rhetoric of Multimodal Texts in Secondary Education: A Teaching Approach to Media Analysis in the Classroom"</p> <p><b>Thais Motta</b> – Fact-checking and Media Literacy in the Fight Against Disinformation: A Comparative Analysis of Policies, Trends, and Educational Initiatives in Belgium and Brazil</p> <p><b>Nataliya Poplavskaya, Olga Peleshok, Yuliya Nahorna</b> – Media Education for Adults in Wartime as a Tool to Counter Disinformation: Challenges, Practices, and Perspectives</p> <p><b>Alexandros Maridakis</b> – Critical Media Skills and Digital Competence: The Role of Student Training Against Media Mis/Disinformation</p> <p><b>Evmorfia Makedaki</b> – Inclusive Reading Practices and Critical Literacy for the Detection of fake-news in Secondary Education</p>

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17:20–19.00	<p><b>9th Session: AI &amp; Disinformation</b> Chair: Dimitris Kotzinos</p> <p><b>Rafail Giannadakis</b> – Critical Creativity: Engaging Students with AI to Counter Disinformation</p> <p><b>Bogdan Oprea, Teodor Răileanu-Olariu</b> – The News Weight Coefficient (NeWC) for Measuring the Accuracy of Discrimination Between False and True News with Human and Non-Human Authors</p> <p><b>Ana Fernandez Inguanzo, Trisha Meyer</b> – Assessing the Assessments: Challenges and Recommendations for Ethical and Legal Impact Assessments of Technologies from an Applied Perspective: The case of TITAN Horizon Project</p> <p><b>Panayiotis Kapetanakis, George Petasis, Dora Katsamori, Eirini Papachristou, Giannis Paparigopoulos</b> – Enhancing critical thinking against misinformation with a Socratic chatbot: A methodology</p> <p><b>Elisavet Palogiannidi, Sotiris Legkas, Dimitrios Vogiatzis, Manolis Mylonas, Vasiliki Koutsoupia, Symeon Papadopoulos, Vasileios Mezaris, Spyridoula Markou, George Zissis, Pantelis Theodosiou</b> – News, Social Media and Video Analytics: The Media Pot platform</p>
19:00 - 19:20	CONFERENCE CLOSING
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	<p><b>Eleni Katsarou</b>, Professor, University of Crete <b>Panagiota Samioti</b>, Teaching staff, University of Crete <b>Konstantinos Sipitanos</b>, Post-doctoral researcher, University of Crete <b>Vanesa Geragori</b>, Administration support</p>

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