AGENDA

**Combatting Disinformation:
Strategies, Threats, and the Role of AI**

11:00 AM CET

Welcome and Introduction to AI4Debunk

Brief presentation of the AI4Debunk project and its mission to leverage AI-driven fact-checking tools to fight disinformation.

Inna Šteinbuka (University of Latvia)

11:10 AM CET

Statement: The European Democracy Shield – Way forward!

Simona Constantin (Member of Cabinet of Michael McGrath Commissioner for Democracy, Justice, the Rule of Law and Consumer Protection)

11:20 AM CET

Keynote: Democracy in an Era of Disinformation, Foreign Interference and AI

Dr. Zanda Kalniņa-Lukaševica (Deputy Speaker of the Latvian Parliament)

11:30 AM CET

Panel Discussion: Disinformation: the secret killer of democracy

How disinformation undermines democratic processes, manipulates public opinion, and compromises institutional trust.

Moderator: Sigita Struberga (UL)
Panelists: Georgi Gotev (EURACTIV Bulgaria)
Karyna Polishchuk (Internews Ukraine)
Jan Kragt (Innovative Power)
Žaneta Ozoliņa (UL)

12:00 PM CET

Panel Discussion: Two-faced AI in the fight against disinformation - enemy or friend?

AI's double-edged role both as a tool to spread disinformation and a powerful asset in detecting and countering false narratives.

Moderator: Pascaline Gaborit (Pilot4DEV)
Panelists: Kevin El Haddad (UMONS)
Marco Pirrone (CNR)
Despina Elisabeth Filippidou (DotSoft)

12:25 PM CET

Closing Remarks

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