DigiSem 2024 - Program

Monday 14.10.

13:00 - 14:00: Arrival and Get to know each other

14:00 - 14:15 Welcome by the Organisers

14:15 - 15:45: Session 1a: *Challenges to Digital Freedom*

- Fay Carathanassis & Steliyana Doseva (bidt): "Hate Speech: Need for More Online Regulation to Save Democracy?"
- John Denanyoh (Univ. of the West Indies): "Digitalization and the Decolonization Mandate of Public Service Broadcasting in Post-Colonial Ghana: A Case Study of Ghana Broadcasting Corporation"
- Artur Solomonik (CAIS): "Generative Artopia: Claiming, Transforming and Creating AI Technology to Empower Artist Agency in the Social Media They Shape"

(Q&A // Group discussion: Digitalisation promotes democratisation.)

15:45 - 16:00: Break

16:00 - 17:00: Session 1b: *Challenges to Digital Freedom*

- Luise Koch, Raji Ghawi, Jürgen Pfeffer & Janina Isabel Steinert (TUM): "Online Misogyny Against Female Candidates in the 2022 Brazilian Elections: A Threat to Women's Political Representation?"
- Jan Batzner (WI): "Political Bias or Flattery? GermanPartiesQA: Benchmarking Commercial Large Language Models for Political Bias and Sycophancy"

(Q&A // Group discussion: Digitalisation promotes democratisation.)

17:00 - 17:15: Break

17:15 - 18:30: Greeting by CAIS director Prof. Dr. Christiane Eilders

Keynote: Prof. Dr. Sebastian Weydner-Volkmann (Ruhr-Univ. Bochum): "Digital autonomy? Feedback tools for self-improvement between freedom and disciplination."

19:30: Dinner in Bochum City (for active participants)

Tuesday 15.10.

09:00 - 09:30: Arrival and Coffee

09:30 - 09:50: Dr. Esther Görnemann (WI) about her work on "Digital sovereignty"

09:50 - 10:30: Session 2a: *Autonomy and Digital Freedom* (incl. Q&A)

- Amanda Michelle Faria A. Mapa & Mariah Brochado (Univ. Federal de Minas Gerais, Brazil): "Desmaterialization of access to social security by the Brazilian state: the gap between rhetoric and practice neglects coverage of social risks"

- Anna Kiemer (bidt): "Balancing participation? 'Analog' Employees in the Digital Transformation of a Mechanical Engineering Company"

10:30 - 10:45: Break

10:45 - 12:00: Session 2b: *Autonomy and Digital Freedom*

- Birte de Gruisbourne (Univ. of Paderborn): "Autonomizing socio-technical relations against autonomy for digital wellbeing"
- Marco Lünich (HHU): "Exploring Students' Perceived Technostress and Its Social Determinants Related to Generative AI in Academic Environments"

(Q&A // Group discussion: Participation should not require digital access. // The more autonomy the better.)

12:00 - 13:00: Lunch

13:00 - 14:30: Session 3: *Opportunities for Digital Freedom*

- Besjon Cifliku (CAIS): "Programming-by-Example Large-Language-Model (LLM) Based Auditing Toolkit for Social Media Platforms"
- Johanna Hiebl (Europa Univ. Viadrina): "Unpacking war with a few clicks: Scaling up engagement of OSINT in participatory evidence-production"
- Jasmin Baake (CAIS): "Equity in AI: Co-creating ML-Based News Recommendations for and with Young People of the Working-Class"
- Rainer Rehak (WI): "Participation through Civic Tech? Lessons-learned from failed bottom-up projects"

(Q&A // Group discussion: Digitalisation promotes democratisation.)

14:30 - 14:45: Wrap Up & Farewell