THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2017

08.30 – 8.30 a.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Registration

09.15 – 09.30 | 9.15 – 9.30 a.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Welcome

MAREN BEAUFORT | Austrian Academy of Sciences
BRIAN D. LOADER | University of York
JOSEF SEETHALER | Austrian Academy of Sciences

09.30 – 10.15 | 9.30 – 10.15 a.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Opening Keynote Address I:

MICHAEL X. DELLI CARPINI | University of Pennsylvania
Media Regimes, Democracy, and the Digital Information Environment

Chair: MAREN BEAUFORT | Austrian Academy of Sciences

10.15 – 11.00 | 10.15 – 11 a.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Exploring the Field

Chair: STEPHEN LACY | Michigan State University

BRIAN D. LOADER | University of York
What Remains of Digital Democracy in a Time of Post-Truth Populism?

MAREN BEAUFORT & JOSEF SEETHALER | Austrian Academy of Sciences
Changing Media – Changing Democracy, or: Changing Democracy – Changing Media?

11.00 – 11.30 | 11 – 11.30 a.m.
Coffee Break

DAY 1: CAUSES AND DEVELOPMENTS THAT LED TO THE CURRENT STATE OF SOCIETY

11.30 – 13.00 | 11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Trump and Brexit: Writings on the Wall?

Chair: BRIAN D. LOADER | University of York

STEPHEN LACY & MICHAEL STAMM | Michigan State University
Digital Media and Polarization in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election: Dysfunction in the Marketplace of Ideas

MICHAEL BEAM | Kent State University
Facebook News and (De)Polarization: Reinforcing Spirals in the 2016 US Election

MYIAH J. HUTCHENS & JAY D. HMIELOWSKI | Washington State University
Parametrizing Brexit: A Definition and Measurement of Ideological Coordinates in the British Twitter Sphere During the EU Referendum

DAN MERCEA & MARCO BASTOS | City University of London
Twitter’s Political Information Sphere in the Lead-Up to the Brexit Referendum: Eurosceptic Dominance and Homophily

13.00 – 14.30 | 1 – 2.30 p.m.
Lunch
14.30 – 16.00 | 2.30 – 4.00 p.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Social Media and Political Polarization

Chair: ANAMARIA DUTCEAC SEGESTEN | Lund University

SVETLANA S. BODRUNOVA, ANNA LITVINENKO, ANNA SMOLIAROVA & IVAN BLEKANOV | St. Petersburg State University
Political Polarization on Twitter: Who is Left and Right in Discussions on Inter-Ethnic Conflicts in Germany, the USA, and Russia of 2010s

LENKA HRBKOVÁ, ALENA MACKOVÁ, MICHAL TÓTH & JACUB MACEK | Masaryk University Brno
Political News, Trust in Media, and Polarization in the Czech Republic: An Experimental Study

ANTONIO MOMOC | University of Bucharest
New Social Movements – Digital Democracy Manifestations or Social Media Manipulation? The February 2017 Protests in Romania: Piata Victoriei vs. Cotroceni

BORA ATAMAN & BARIŞ ÇOBAN | Dogus University
Media Activism and Counter-Surveillance

14.30 – 16.00 | 2.30 – 4 p.m. | Dachpavillon (Rooftop Pavilion)
Challenges to Democracy: Nationalism, Right-Wing Populism and Hate Speech

Chair: JOSEF SEETHALER | Austrian Academy of Sciences

SHAKUNTALA RAO | SUNY–State University of New York
Making of Selfie Nationalism: Narendra Modi, the Paradigm Shift to Social Media Governance and Crisis of Democracy

LINARDS UDRIS, JENS LUCHT & DANIEL VOGLER | University of Zurich
Right-Wing Populism, Traditional News Media and Social Media – Unholy Alliances?

ANDRÉ HALLER | Otto-Friedrich-University Bamberg
Opinion Leaders and Weirdos – A Field-Theoretical Approach to Study Alternative Right-Wing Media

LIRIAM SPONHOLZ | Austrian Academy of Sciences
Going Viral with Hate Speech? The Role of Group Derogatory Messages in the Agenda Building of the 2016 Austrian Presidential Election Campaign on Facebook

16.00 – 16.30 | 4.00 – 4.30 p.m.
Round Tour of the Academy

16.30 – 17.15 | 4.30 – 5.15 p.m.
Afternoon Refreshments

17.15 | 5.15 p.m.
Bus Transfer – Meeting Point: Entrance area of the Academy
THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2017

18.00 | 6 p.m. | ORF–Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, Radiokulturhaus, Großer Sendesaal

ORF Dialogforum:
“Wer ist das Volk? | Who Are the People?”

in Cooperation with

Public Lecture:
W. LANCE BENNETT | University of Washington

WHO ARE THE PEOPLE?
DEMONCRACY, MEDIA AND THE RISE OF THE RADICAL RIGHT

Discussants: PHILIPP BLOM | ORF; ROBERTO SUAREZ CANDEL | European Broadcasting Corporation (EBU); ULRKE GUÉROT | Danube University Krems; LISA MITTENDREIN | ATTAC Austria

Anchor: KLAUS UNTERBERGER, ORF

20.00 | 8 p.m. | Restaurant Sperl
Conference Dinner

FRIDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2017

09.00 – 09.45 | 09.00 – 09.45 | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Opening Keynote Address II:

JÖRG MATTHES | University of Vienna
Overestimating Digital Media for Youth Political Engagement

Chair: BRIAN D. LOADER | University of York

DAY 2: WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW TO MANAGE THE FUTURE

09.45 – 11.15 | 9.45 – 11.15 a.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
New Pathways to News – Effects and Impacts

Chair: SHAKUNTALA RAO | SUNY–State University of New York

JUDITH MÖLLER, DAMIAN TRILLING, NATALI HELBERGER & BRAM VAN ES | University of Amsterdam
Do not Blame it on the Algorithm – An Empirical Assessment of Multiple Recommender Systems and Their Impact on Content Diversity

ANA SOFÍA CARDENAL IZQUIERDO | Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, Castelldefels (Barcelona) CARLOS AGUILAR-PAREDES & MARIO PEREZ-MONTORO | Universitat de Barcelona
Selective Exposure and Digital News: How Pathways to News Online Shape the Information People Get Exposed to

RAPHAEL KÖSTERS & OLAF JANDURA | Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf
Digital Media Use and Patterns of Polarization in Heterogeneous Audience Groups

MING M. BOYER & SOPHIE LECHELER | University of Vienna
The Importance of Social Identities in Political Communication Effects: Social Identity Activation by Political News
11.15 – 11.45 | 11.15 – 11.45 a.m.  
Coffee Break

11.45 – 13.00 | 11.45 a.m. – 1 p.m.  | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)  
Changing Dynamics of Public Debates and Campaigns

Chair: MICHAEL BOSSETTA | University of Copenhagen

TIM M. STEVENS, NOELLE AARTS & ART DEWULF | Wageningen University & Research
The Evolution of Master-Frames in the Public Debate about Livestock Farming: Social Media and Stakeholders Strategies

JOB MWAURA | University of the Witwatersrand
Media effects on Elections and Governance in Kenya’s 2017 General Elections

MD SAFIULLAH, PRAMOD PATHAK & SAUMYA SINGH | Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad
Media Coverage and Electoral Harvest – The Indian Election

11.45 – 13.00 | 11.45 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Dachpavillon (Rooftop Pavilion)  
Theorizing Changes in Political Communication

Chair: LIRIAM SPONHOLZ | Austrian Academy of Sciences

HARALD RAU | Ostfalia University, Salzgitter
Mass- or Social!? New Paradigms in Political Communication: Social Network Theory and Its Implications on Online Communication Processes

JANA LAURA EGELHOFER & SOPHIE LECHELER | University of Vienna
‘Fake News’ as a Phenomenon of Digitalization? A Conceptualization for Political Communication Research

SOPHIA KANAOUTI | National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Oscillations of Digital Space and Digital Time: Fragmentation Creating Polarization in Niche Media and the Rise of “Front Organizations”

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Lunch
14.30 – 16.15 | 2.30 – 4.15 p.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Digital Media and Political Engagement

Chair: LINARDS UDRIS | University of Zurich

YUAN HSIAO & YUNKANG YANG | University of Washington
Commitment in the Cloud? Social Media Participation in the Sunflower Movement

STEFANO DE MARCO | University of Salamanca, Faculty of Social Sciences
Between Disintermediation and Normalization: A New Culture of Political Communication? The Big Data and #UnidosPodemos and #BlackLivesMatter Cases

JACOB GROSHEK & SARAH KRONGARD | Boston University
Streaming Entertainment and Talking Politics: Social Television in the Shaping of Online and Offline Political Talk During the 2016 Campaign

ANAMARIA DUTCEAC SEGESTEN | Lund University; MICHAEL BOSSETTA | University of Copenhagen; DUJE BONACCI | University of Zagreb
Civic Deliberation and Public Contestation on Facebook: The Case of Brexit

MORAN YARCHI & TAL SAMUEL-AZRAN | Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya
Women Politicians are More Engaging: Male versus Female Politicians’ Ability to Generate Users’ Engagement on Social Media During an Election Campaign

16.15 – 16.30 | 4.15 – 4.30 p.m.
Coffee Break

16.30 – 17.45 | 4.30 – 5.45 p.m. | Sitzungssaal (Conference Hall)
Closing Keynote Address:

BARBARA PFETSCH | Freie Universität Berlin
Political Communication Cultures in Dissonant and Disconnected Public Spheres – Opportunities and Challenges

Discussant: W. LANCE BENNETT | University of Washington
Chair: JOSEF SEETHALER | Austrian Academy of Sciences
CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Venues:
The conference takes place at the Austrian Academy of Sciences (1010 Wien, Doktor Ignaz Seipel-Platz 2)
Conference Hall: 1st floor; Rooftop Pavillion: 3rd floor

21 September 2017, 18.00 | 6 p.m. – Lecture by W. Lance Bennett:
Austrian Broadcasting Corporation ORF, Radiokulturhaus, Großer Sendesaal
(1040 Wien, Argentinierstraße 30a; bus transfer for all participants!)

21 September 2017, 18.00 | 8 p.m. – Conference Dinner
Restaurant Sperl, Karolinengasse 13, 1040 Vienna
(http://www.restaurant-sperl.at/en/)

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