



The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Freedom of Expression

18 September 2019 | 13.15– 14.45
PGE National Stadium, Meeting Room II

Speakers

- **Harlem Désir**, OSCE
Representative on Freedom of the Media
- **Fanny Hidvegi**, Europe Policy Manager, Access Now
- **Amy Brouillette**, Research Director, Ranking Digital Right
- **Djordje Krivokapic**, Co-founder, Share Foundation

Moderator

- **Nani Jansen Reventlow**, Director, Digital Freedom Fund

Artificial Intelligence (AI) increasingly affects our daily lives and has an impact on how we access and share information. Machine-learning technologies are increasingly becoming the main tool to shape and arbitrate online information. If implemented responsibly, AI can benefit and revolutionize societies in various positive ways. However, as is the case with most emerging technologies, there is a genuine risk that commercial, political or state use has a detrimental impact on human rights. It is therefore essential to fully understand the policies and practices in the development and use of AI and their profound impact on the future of internet freedom and the realisation of human rights, particularly freedom of expression and freedom of the media online. This session will focus on the impact of AI on freedom of expression, for good and for bad.

During the panel, the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media will introduce its newly launched project on the impact of AI on freedom of expression and outline the activities planned to achieve a clearer understanding, aiming at promoting such clearer understanding, among all stakeholders, and identifying the key challenges.

The project's objective is to develop policy recommendations on the most effective ways to safeguard freedom of expression and media pluralism when using AI (and other advanced machine learning technologies). A special focus will be given to four main areas of concern: security, hate speech, media pluralism and surveillance.

The side event will be in English only.

Refreshments will be provided.