## Invitation to our event

## Free Speech or Free-for-All? Tackling Hate, Misinformation and Polarisation in the Age of Al and Tech-Oligarchs



Dear Colleagues, Alumni, and Friends,

We are delighted to invite you to our event "Free Speech or Free-for-All? Tackling Hate, Misinformation and Polarisation in the Age of Al and Tech-Oligarchs".

## Tuesday, 13 May 2025 | 4.30 PM (Doors open at 4 PM)

Location: Co-Innovation Factory | Absberggasse 27 / Stiege 1 / 3rd Floor | 1100 Vienna

In today's digital world, social media platforms don't just host conversations – they shape them. Algorithmic ranking, Al-driven content, and reduced moderation and fact-checking amplify hate speech, antisemitism, anti-Muslim racism, racism and misinformation, threatening democratic values and inclusivity.

The event will feature two thought-provoking panel discussions moderated by Dr. Jonas Fegert with distinguished experts, exploring the impact of digital platforms on democracy and society. In the first panel, Dr. Sebastian Heidebrecht, Prof. Dr. Achim Rettinger, Natascha Strobl, Benjamin Fischer, and Judith Peterka will examine the challenges and opportunities of platform regulation and digital governance in shaping a democratic digital space. The second panel will bring together Rosa Jellinek, Dr. Stefania Manca, Selin Aydin, and Alina Bricman for an in-depth discussion on hate speech and misinformation in online social

Following the event, we warmly invite you to join us for a reception where we can continue the conversation.

We look forward to your presence and feel free to pass on our invitation to interested colleagues.

Please register here | www.dialogueperspectives.org

Yours sincerely,

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Prof. Dr. Frederek Musall

Chairperson

Johanna Korneli

Executive Director

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