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The misuse of social media platforms and other communication channels by authoritarian regimes: lessons learned



Dear Reader,

As our committee's mandate comes to a close, we hope to leave you with concrete proposals for thwarting foreign interference in our democracy.

Our recent visit to Taiwan allowed Members of the Special Committee on Foreign Interference in all Democratic Processes in the European Union, including Disinformation (INGE) to speak to politicians and stake-

holders who are fighting disinformation.

We can learn a lot from places that have been forced to set up strong defence systems against interference from powerful authoritarian neighbours. INGE commissioned a paper to analyse the defensive tactics used outside the EU, including in Taiwan. The analysis highlights best practices and suggests how these could be translated to our EU reality. I encourage you to read it.

Raphaël Glucksmann, MEP, Chair of the INGE Committee

Authoritarian regimes' misuse of communication channels

Policy Department for External Relations



Authoritarian regimes have spread disinformation and misleading content abroad as well as at home. How do their targets react, and what lessons can be drawn for the EU?

The analysis commissioned by the INGE special committee focuses on the misuse of social media platforms and other communication channels by authoritarian regimes in Iran, China and Russia.

By examining the responses of their targets – Yemen, Syria, Taiwan and Georgia – the authors propose strategies the EU could adopt.

Scan the QR code to access the publication



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

PECH Impacts of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement on fisheries and aquaculture in the EU

Workshop

16 March 2022 - 13.45-16.15 - SPINELLI 3G 3

ITRE The decarbonisation of energy

Study presentation 21 March 2022



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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Existing and draft EU legislation in the digital field

Policy Department for Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies



A number of recent EU legislative initiatives address rapid digital transformation. Attention must be paid to the interplay between these initiatives to avoid regulatory gaps. The study requested by AIDA provides a taxonomy of digital legislation, giving a systematic overview of existing and upcoming EU legislative and non-legislative measures by policy domain. It goes on to analyse the interplay and coherence between the different legislative acts and to identify and classify regulatory gaps.



The future of transport in the context of the Recovery Plan: overview briefing

Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies



The EU's main transport policy objectives are: promote sustainable forms of transport, improve the digitalisation of transport, and make the transport system more resilient. This research provides an overview of the EU policy priorities in transport and the Recovery Plan's funding opportunities for the transport sector. It precedes the full study report, which is expected to map and assess the Recovery Plan's contribution to the transport sector and the transition to a smart and green transport.



Women and transport

Policy Department for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs



Since its inception, the European Union has been exercising its competence in transport policy. This study summarises achievements in gender and transport in the EU as well as knowledge and policies concerning women as transport users and transport workers. Based on recent data, concepts and practices the study provides recommendations in the context of the European Green Deal to increase gender equality in transport.



The management boards of the decentralised agencies

Policy Department for Budgetary Affairs



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The management boards of the EU decentralised agencies have a key role in ensuring the agencies' good governance. This study examines the established practices of the management boards and investigates key governance issues such as the size and composition of the boards, the representation of different interests, and the decision-making rules. In particular, it assesses how effective and efficient the boards' working methods are and the main factors affecting their performance.



FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

DROI Modern slavery and forced labour - February 2022

IMCO The impact of influencers on advertising and consumer protection in the Single Market - February 2022

PETI Social and environmental impacts of mining in the EU - February

CONT Single Audit approach - root causes of the weaknesses in the work of the member states' management and audit authorities - March 2022

CULT The European Schools system: state of play, challenges and perspectives - Spring 2022

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