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Gender and Digital Rights

on Gendered Disinformation

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BPF Gender and Digital Rights webpage

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Envisaged goals and deliverables

- Understand how gender based disinformation has been deployed as a strategy against women and gender-diverse groups.
- Understand how the negative effects on digital rights spill over to other sets of rights, such as political participation, what allows gendered disinformation to be used as part of larger political projects of moral policing, censorship, and hierarchisation of citizenship and rights.
- Map strategies and actions to halt the spread of gendered disinformation and build a less toxic environment for female and gender-diverse groups online.
- Showcase positive initiatives that set the beginning of what can be a long term multistakeholder dialogue on gendered disinformation.



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Update on the BPF work

Virtual meetings / Learning sessions

The BPF is hosting a series of expert and stakeholder discussions to explore the topic of gendered disinformation and identify what BPF output would be a useful contribution without duplicating work done elsewhere.

- 18 May, 3 June, 25 June (recordings & slides on the webpage)
- Upcoming: 8 July (registration link on the webpage)
- Future dates to be announced.

Kick-off survey

To kick-off the work, the BPF launched a short survey on the definition of 'gendered disinformation' and possible activities for the BPF. (participate here)

Gendered disinformation resource list

• The BPF started compiling a 'resource list on gendered disinformation' with research, case studies, best practices and regulatory initiatives related to the topic. The list is intended to be a living document developed during the BPF's term. Everyone is invited to help building this resource, use this form to submit suggestions.

Outreach & participation

- The BPF coordinating team is actively reaching out to specialists, organisations and initiatives to participate in the work of the BPF.
- Everyone interested in the topic is invited to subscribe to the BPF mailing list (<u>subscribe here</u>) and participate in the BPF meetings.