



Brussels, 7 May 2018

**External seminar of the Commission for Citizenship, Governance, Institutional and External Affairs (CIVEX)**

*Hate speech, fake news, propaganda - modern enemies of democracy*

Venue **Radisson Hotel**, Plac Rodła 10, Szczecin, Poland  
Date 28 May 2018, from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

**PROGRAMME**

<b>28 May 2018</b>	
9.30 – 10 a.m.	<b>Opening</b>
10 – 11.45 a.m.	<b>First session:</b> <i>Populist Propaganda – the Erosion of Democracy</i>
11.45 a.m. – 12 noon	Coffee break
12 noon – 1.30 p.m.	<b>Second session:</b> <i>Social and Political Consequences of Fake News Proliferation</i>

**9.30 - 10 a.m.**

**1. Opening Session**

- Welcome statement by **Olgierd Geblewicz (PL/EPP)**, President of West Pomerania Region, Poland
- Opening speech by **Adam Bodnar**, Ombudsman
- **Natalia Szczucka**, Director of the Regional Representation of the European Commission

**10 - 11.45 a.m.**

**2. First session:** Populist Propaganda – the Erosion of Democracy

- **Anni Hellman**, Deputy Head of Unit for Media Convergence and Social Media, Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology, European Commission; *Communication - Tackling online disinformation: the European approach*
- **Indrė Vareikytė**, EESC rapporteur on *How media is used to influence social and political processes in the EU and Eastern neighbouring countries*
- **Kamil Durczok**, Journalist, editor-in-chief and former presenter of TVN newscast Fakty TVN

*Exchange of views*

**11.45 a.m. – 12 noon** Coffee break

**12 noon – 1.30 p.m.**

3. **Second session: Social and Political Consequences of Fake News Proliferation**

- **Danica Ilic**, Programme Officer at the Ethical Journalism Network
- **Konrad Niklewicz**, Managing Director- Civic Institute, *Weeding out Fake News: An Approach to Social Media Regulation*
- **Jon Worth**, TechPolitics & EU blogger
- **Ruurd Oosterwoud**, developer of serious game "Bad News" and founder of "DROG" Platform to combat fake news and disinformation

*Exchange of views*

**Interpreting: 4 DE,EN,FR,PL**

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