



Workshop
**Cognitive Distortions and Democratic Failures.
The impact of Fake News on Democratic Politics**
May 27 & 28, 2021
Program

May 27, 2021

14.00 – 14.10 Opening Remarks

Anna Elisabetta Galeotti (University of Piemonte Orientale)

14.10 – 15.00

Simon Blackburn (Cambridge University), *Fighting Conspiracy Theory*

15.00 – 16.20

Marianna Bergamaschi Ganapini (Union College), *Beyond Harm: a New Ethical Framework for Social Media*

Paolo Bodini (University of Milano), *Political Knowledge, Political Sophistication, and Epistemic Insouciance. Facets of an Institutional Challenge*

16.40 – 18.00

Kathleen Murphy-Hollies (Birmingham University), *Exceptionalism at the Time of COVID-19: Where Nationalism Meets Irrationality*

Gianfranco Pellegrino (Luiss University), *Climate Denialism is not Fake News*

May 28, 2021

9.30 – 10.50

Massimo Leone (University of Torino), *Digital Pinocchio: The Semiotics of Deep Fake*

Tommaso Piazza (University of Pavia), *Consuming Fake News: Can we do Any Better?*

11.00 – 11.50

Lisa Bortolotti (Birmingham University), *Unshakeable Identity Beliefs*

11.50 – 13.10

Carlo Burrelli (University of Genova), *A Civil War of Information: A Realist Assessment of Fake News*

Patrizia Pedrini (University of Siena), *Fake News Consuming and the Desire to Feel Smart*

14.30 – 15.50

Elisa Piras (Sant'Anna Pisa) and Jacopo Marchetti (University of Firenze), *Investigating the Unreasonable Democratic Public: How Fake News Affect Public Opinion*

Deven Burks (University of Luxemburg), *Is Deliberative Democracy Prey to Cognitive Distortions?*

16.00 – 16.50

Mario De Caro (Roma 3 University), *Libertarianism, Paternalism, and Autonomy*

16.50 – 17.00

Closing remarks

Format

The workshop will be held online via zoom. To register contact enrico.biale@uniupo.it