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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

“Enhancing Citizens’ Media and Information Literacy to

Confront Hate Speech and Mis-Disinformation:

THE ROLE OF UNESCO AND EU”

**In collaboration with the University Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, France
and the**

UNESCO Chair of the University of Sorbonne Nouvelle

“Savoir-devenir in sustainable digital development”

In the framework of UNESCO-UNAOC MILID network

21st September 2024, 09:00-18:00

Venue: University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Conference Room, 1st floor

Free entrance - Certificates of attendance will be sent via email



ENHANCING CITIZENS' MIL TO CONFRONT HATE SPEECH AND MIS-DISINFORMATION: THE ROLE OF UNESCO AND EU"

21 September 2024

09:00-18:00

Opening doors, 8:30

1st SESSION

9:00-9:30

**Welcome Remarks from the Permanent Representative of Greece to UNESCO,
Ambassador George Koumoutsakos**

9.30-10.00

Keynote speaker: Ms Adeline Hulin, Chief of MIL, UNESCO:

"Relations with UNESCO are changing: MIL goes from a programme to a unit"

10.00-11.00

FIRST SESSION

Ms Judith Cosgrove (video) Digital Economy Unit of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Seville

"Assessing the existing MIL policies in the EU. DigComp Framework in the EU"

Professor Ioannis Igglezakis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

"Freedom of Speech in light of the Digital Services Act"

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

2nd SESSION

11.30-14.00

Media and Information Policies in Europe

Professor Divina Meiggs, University of Sorbonne Nouvelle, UNESCO Chair

"Savoir-devenir in sustainable digital development" (France)

"Assessing MIL policies: MIL and AI"



Professor Maarit Jaakkola, Associate Professor, Co-Director of the Nordic Centre for Media Research (Nordicom), University of Gothenburg, Sweden.

“Media and information literacy policies in the Nordic Countries: Exploring interconnections between policy areas”

Professor Kristina Juraitė, Head of the Department of Public Communications at Vytautas Magnus University (VMU) in Kaunas, Lithuania, Co-Director of the UNESCO Chair on Media and Information Literacy for Inclusive Knowledge Societies

“Inclusive media and information literacy as a pathway to civic resilience: Insights from the Baltic countries”

Professor Felipe Chibas Ortiz, Associate Professor at the University of São Paulo – USP, Coordinator of the Research Group Toth-CRIARCOM of CEACOM, Regional Representative for Latin America UNESCO MIL Alliance, Co-leader UNESCO MIL Cities Network project, Brazil.

“MIL cities in Europe – The example of Zaragoza”

Dr. Stefanos Vallianatos, Director of International Relations of the Hellenic Cultural Foundation, Anna Lindh Foundation

“Intercultural Cities and MIL”

14.00-14.30 Light lunch

3rd SESSION

14.30-16.00 Round table Discussion on “Better MIL coordination across Europe?”

Ms Adeline Hulin,



Professors Divina Meiggs, Maarit Jaakkola, Kristina Juraite, Felipe Chibas Ortiz

16.00-16.30 Coffee Break

4th SESSION

16.30-17.00

Keynote speech: Professor Katerina Linos, University of California at Berkeley, US
(online)

“Migration and misinformation”

17.00-18.30

“MIL in Greece: Networks of schools, universities, libraries, municipalities”

Dr. Aikaterini Chryssanthopoulou, PhD, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki,
Postdoctoral Researcher of News Education, MSc Cognitive Sciences, National and
Kapodistrian University of Athens, Lecturer at the Ionian University

“Current situation in Greece on Media (initiatives, policies, networks)”

Tonia Arahova, (online) fmr IFLA President Elect, President of The General Council
for Libraries, Greek Ministry of Education and Religion (2021-6/2024).

“Citizenship – Media Information – Credibility. The role of libraries

Argyro Tzorbatzaki, Head of the Library, University of Macedonia

Anthi Baliou, Librarian, University of Macedonia, PhD Candidate, Department of
Journalism and Media – Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Teaching as an Academic
Scholar at the Department of Library, Archive and Information Science, International
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