

Tech, Media & Democracy

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Computing technology—and AI in particular—now plays a major role in our media system, personalizing content feeds, informing content moderation decisions at scale, automatically generating articles and synthetic media, powering social bots that chat or persuade, and driving myriad other production processes that influence large chunks of what we all pay attention to. Issues ranging from the proliferation of disinformation, to bias in content exposure, online harassment, and the polarization or radicalization of beliefs are crucial to research and address. How can we ensure that this complex media system we all inhabit encourages individuals and society in productive directions, supporting rather than undermining democracy? In this panel, we'll explore the technology, the issues, and what research, design, practice, and policy can do to work towards a media environment that is healthy for democracy and society.

Join us for this important conversation with Chris Bail, Mor Naaman, and Rebekah Tromble in a virtual panel forum moderated by Ágnes Horvát.



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