Agenda



Virtual Conference on Political Behavioral Targeting (15th Februar, 2021)

Time	Description	Topics
8:30 – 9:00	Welcome and introductions	- Outline of the day - Objectives - Areas of expertise represented
9:00 – 9:30	Opening Plenary	
9:30 – 10:15	Breakout session 1	Determinants: (How) can we systematically define the array of possible determinants? Are there groups that are more open towards microtargeting than others (and why)? Are there groups that are more vulnerable than others (and why)? (How) can we identify such groups and (how) can we protect/address them? Can transparency (e.g., ad libraries) mitigate potential negative effects on users' perception of privacy? Effects: Which effects of microtargeting do we know of? Is the process of identifying who is targeted (with what content by which party) — even for a good reason — an invasion to users' privacy (and therefore has a negative effect on their perception of privacy)? How do we handle the fact that (protection against) targeting will not work for everyone in the same way and with the same efficiency?
10:15 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:30	Breakout groups present back to everyone	
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch	
12:30 – 1:30	Breakout session 2	Promotion of privacy literacy: Do individual inspections of targeted ad libraries encourage privacy literacy – or is privacy literacy, and not just awareness, a precondition for retrieving and using targeted ad libraries? Should we provide different levels of information and transparency (e.g. full information vs. easily understandable information) for audiences with different digital skills – or is that targeting itself? What should voters know about targeting? What are relevant

		Normativity and democracy Does the assumption of informed consent, which forms the legal basis in many cases, still hold? What would be an alternative? Providing information is always a kind of persuasion, isn't it? Thus, where does "good" persuasion end and where does "bad" persuasion begin? Right to privacy vs. civic responsibility: Is it possible to inform and mobilize voters in the age of digital campaigning without infringing their privacy?
1:30 – 2:30	Breakout groups present back to everyone	
2:30 - 2:45	Break	
2:45 – 3:15	Collaboration organization and next steps	
3:15 – 3:30	Closing remarks	