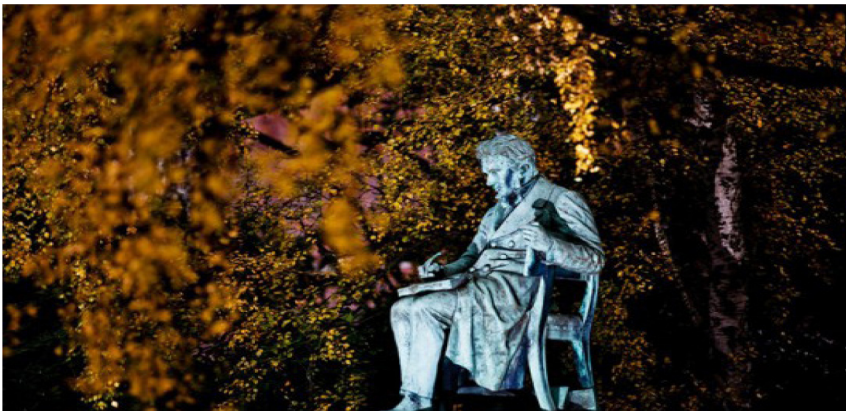


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Truth and Communication in the Age of Misinformation from Kierkegaard to Social Media



The evolution of misinformation, although popularized in the press as a unitary political phenomenon under the label of “fake news”, comes with a significant number of changes in the mechanics of truth and epistemology. Computational truth, derived from non-empirical evidence, digital manipulation of multimedia, algorithm-based approaches to selection of evidence and the rise of social knowledge are challenging some of our basic assumptions about evidence and truth that have persisted for over 200 years.

Transformations in the relationship between truth, news, and communication technologies have an unarguable impact on the ways that modern democracies and economies function. As this debate alternates from promises to critical tones, it is time to explore Kierkegaard and the misinformation phenomenon through the broader lens of post-empirical age of knowledge.

The phenomenon of misinformation has been extremely simplified and is often reduced to technical issues in a perspective based on technological determinism. We argue that instead the relationship between truth and media is more nuanced, problematic, and multidimensional.

Starting from the inspirational work by Kierkegaard, we invite experts from several disciplines to discuss this multidimensional relationship and present their thoughts and research findings.

Conference Organized by

The Institute for International
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Location: St. John's University, NY, USA

Date: November 16-17, 2018 (Fri-
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Following **areas of interest** will be explored:

- Philosophical explorations of “fake news”
- Information Technology, new media and the fabric of misinformation
- Journalism and “fake news” consumption
- The Economics of “fake news”
- Linguistics and the rhetoric framing of “fake news”
- Sociology of misinformation

There will be **designated open discussions** about the **search for communication policy** and **tools** that will drive a **post-empirical media future**.

Special invitation for students only.

Student application fee: **\$15**

Pay at the post: **\$25**

The deadline to register is **November 10th**.

To register please click **here**.

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- inviting visiting scholars and professors
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- providing networking opportunities

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