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13:30 – 18:00

Université du Luxembourg, Campus Belval
Maison des Sciences Humaines (MSH),
Literature & Languages Lab, 1st Floor



Humanities

New Key Research Area “Digital Societies”

Redefining the Public Sphere – the Impact of Digitization on Politics and Culture

ABSTRACT

The public as we know it was the by-product of a new medium: It emerged in the very moment when people were synchronized by the printed word, and everyone was, at least in theory, in the position to read and discuss everything published. It is evident that digital media, in the broad sense of the word, in many ways have the potential to change this: new forms of synchronization or de-synchronization emerge, new non-human agents take their share in the conversation, national and linguistic limitations constitutive of printing age publics are subverted. This workshop wants to discuss the potential futures of the public in the digital age from the perspective of politics, culture, and education.

PROGRAM

13:30 Jean Lassègue (EHESS, Paris):

Recommendation and Confirmation, the Two of Pillars of Influence in Web 2.0

14:30 Katrin Becker (Uni.Lu): Disembodied Public Space – Public Opinion in the Era of Virtualization

15:30 Coffee Break

16:00 Tanja Prokic (LMU München): True Colors Everywhere. On the Platformization of Affects

17:00 Sebastian Berg (HSU Hamburg): Political Infrastructures and Digital Publics: The Generative Principles of Democracy in Flux

ORGANISATION

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