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Program for the Digital Democracy Workshop 2022

Thursday, 27 October
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Venue	UZH Digital Society Initiative (DSI) Rämistrasse 69 8001, Zürich
09:15-09:30	Welcome and introduction (Karsten Donnay & Fabrizio Gilardi)
09:30-10:30	**Keynote (not live streamed)** Pablo Barberá (Meta's Core Data Science Team and University of Southern California): "A New Model of Industry/Academic Collaboration: The U.S. 2020 Facebook and Instagram Election Study."
10:30-11:00	Coffee break

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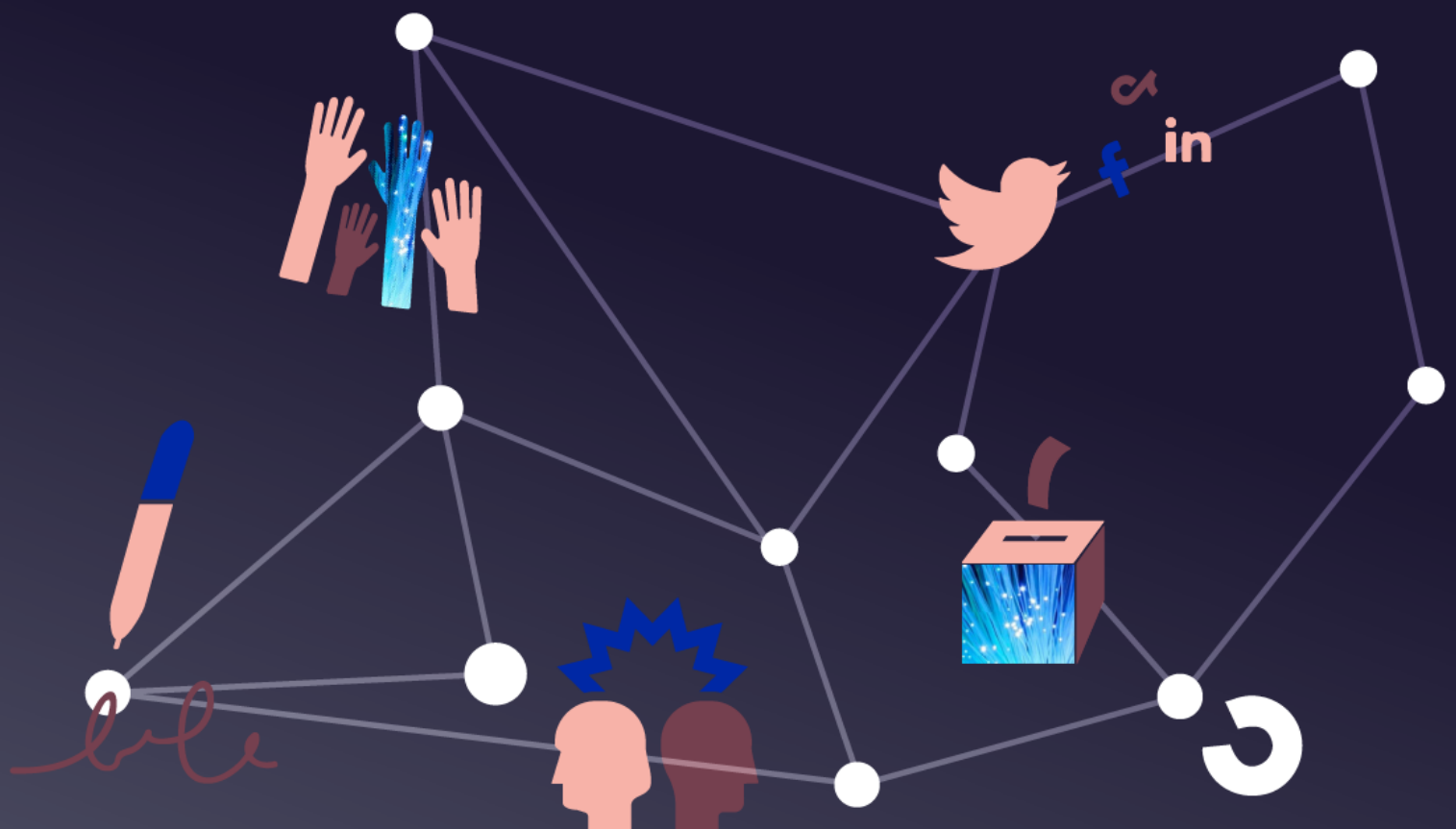
11:00-12:30	**The Politics of Digital Democracy (Chair: Karsten Donnay)**

1. "Problem Definition in the Digital Democracy" (Fabrizio Gilardi)

2. "Online Democracy in Europe: Findings from the Digital Democracy Database" (Dmytro Khutkyy)

3. "Mobilizing for Sovereignty: China's Rise, Framing, and Writing the Rules for Cyberspace" (Rachel Hulvey)

4. "Power and Counter-Power in the Media Society" (Manuel S. Hubacher, Monika Waldis)

12:30-13:30	Lunch Break

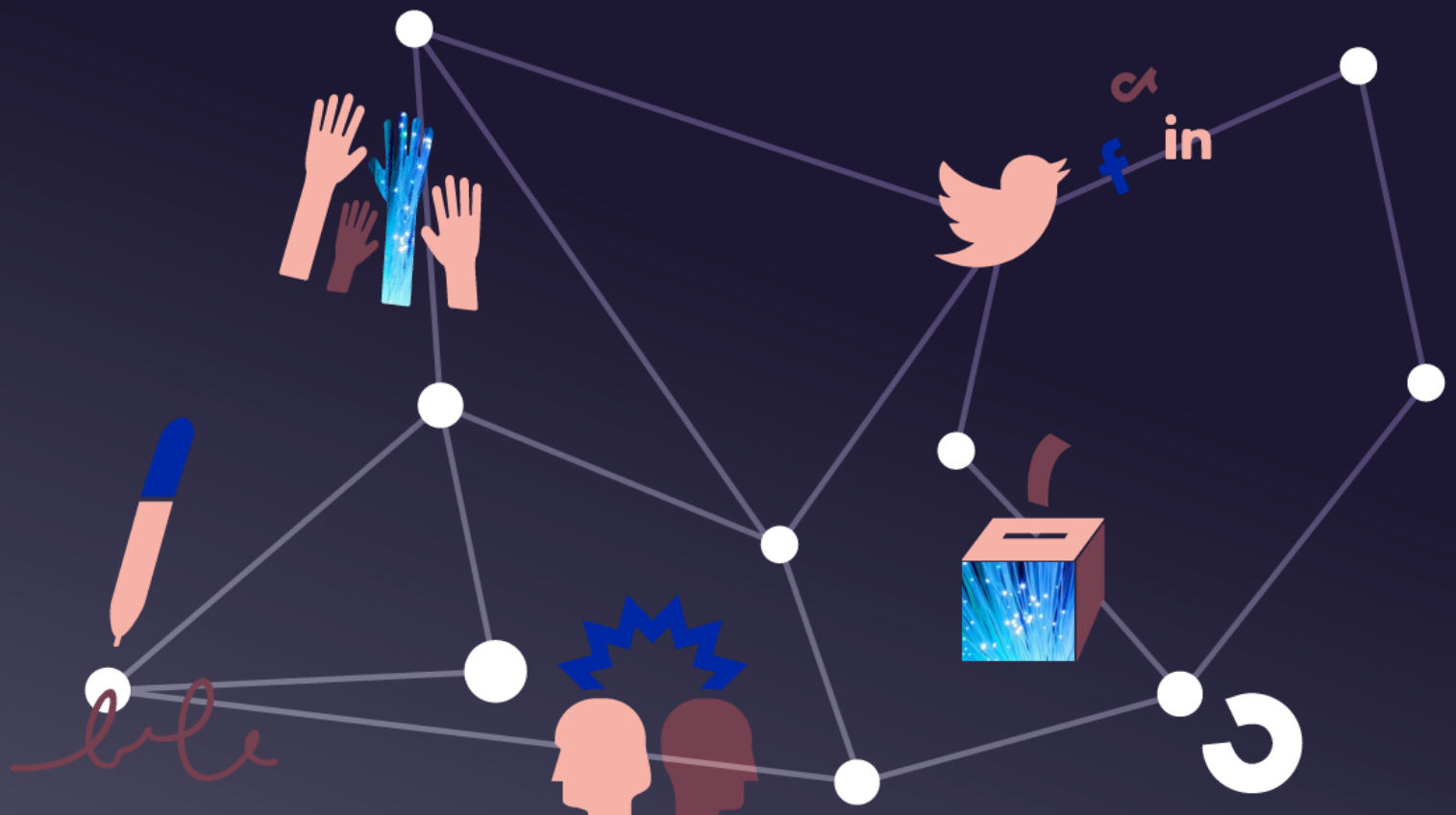## Thursday, 27 October

13:30-15:00   **Political Communication Across Platforms (Chair: Emma Hoes)**

1. "Affording deletion: Message ephemerality on Telegram and its implications for the research of conspiracist communities" (Kilian Buehling) (online)

2. "Make Trump Great Again: Dynamics of D. Trump's Communication Strategy on Instagram" (Ilya Lavrov) (online)

3. "A Domino Effect: How Russian Disinformation Campaign against Ukraine Helped Spread Anti-vax Claims Globally" (Iuliia Alieva)

4. "Characterizing Registered U.S. Voters' Exposure to Political Content on Twitter" (Assaf Shamir, Jennifer Oser, Nir Grinberg)

5. "Wolf Warriors and their pups: China's presence on Twitter" (Franziska Keller)
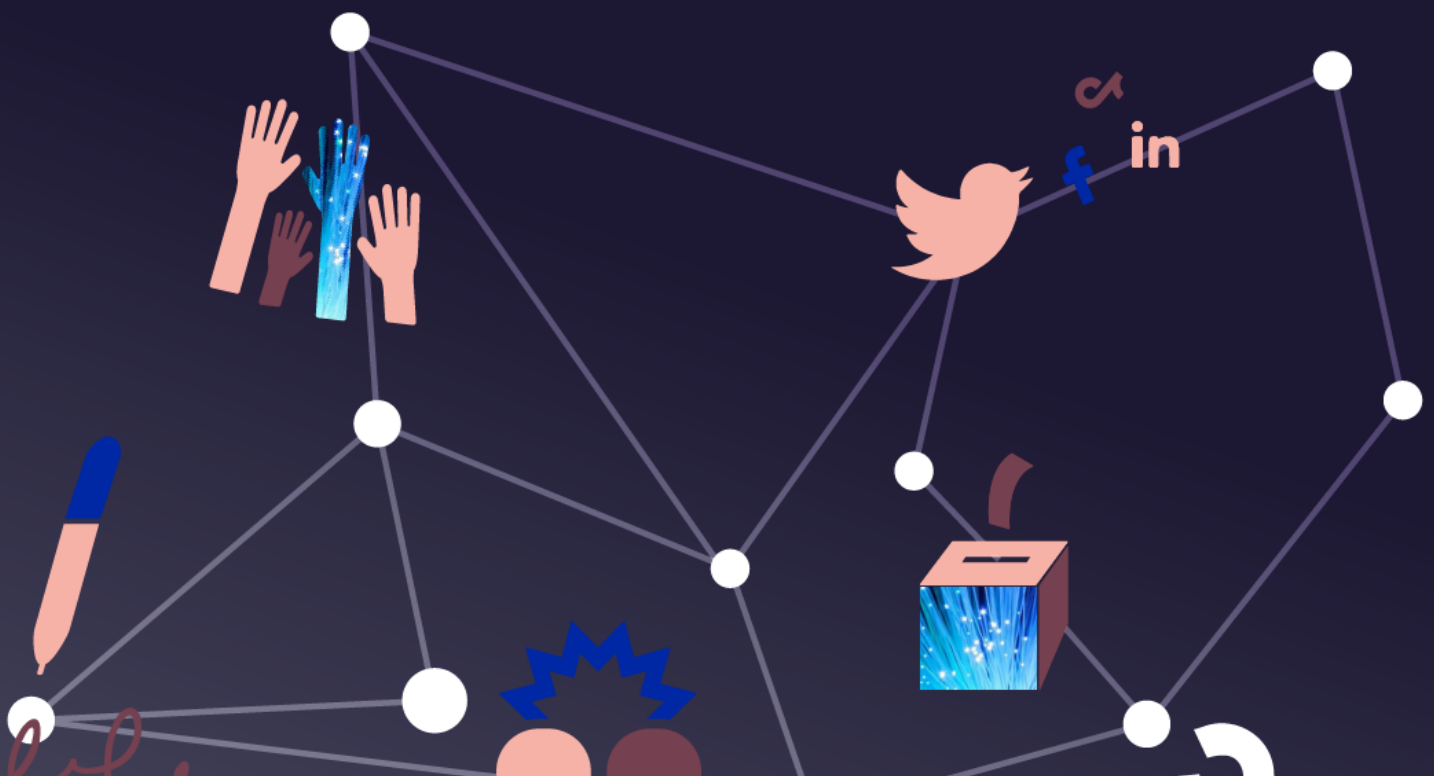
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15:30-17:00	**Political Behavior in Digital Spaces (Chair: Lucas Leemann)**

1. "Digitising the ballot box: a conjoint experiment on support for i-voting" (Stuart J. Turnbull Dugarte, Daniel Devine) (online)

2. "Incentivizing Good Digital Governance: Toward a Healthier and More Ethical Online Public Sphere" (Kevin Arceneaux et al.)

3. "Optimising Voting Methods for Proportionality and Cognitive Load in Digital Participatory Budgeting" (Joshua C. Yang, Carina I. Hausladen, Evangelos Pournaras, Regula Hänggli)

4. "Selective Exposure in Online Deliberative Systems? Evidence from Digital Trace Data" (Lisa Oswald, Simon Munzert, Pablo Barberá, Andrew Guess, JungHwan Yang)

5. "Why Do ICTs Reduce Election Fraud? Testing a New Mechanism in Malawi" (Alex Yeandle)

17:00-19:00	Reception (drinks & food)

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9.00 – 10.30	**Challenges of Digital Communication (Chair: Aleksandra Urman)**

1. "Stop Hate Speech: Countering Online Hate in Switzerland" (Karsten Donnay et al.)

2. "Online political engagement of upper secondary students: The influence of media education and internet use in the classroom" (Tessa Consoli, Dominik Petko)

3. "Socio-political consequences of the digital revolution: a new cleavage?" (Alexander H. Trechsel, Mathilde M. van Ditmars)

4. "Harmful Norms and Cultural Polarization" (Soenke Ehret)

5. ""Spreading Like Wildfire: The Securitization of the Amazon Rainforest Fires on Twitter"" (Natalia Umansky)

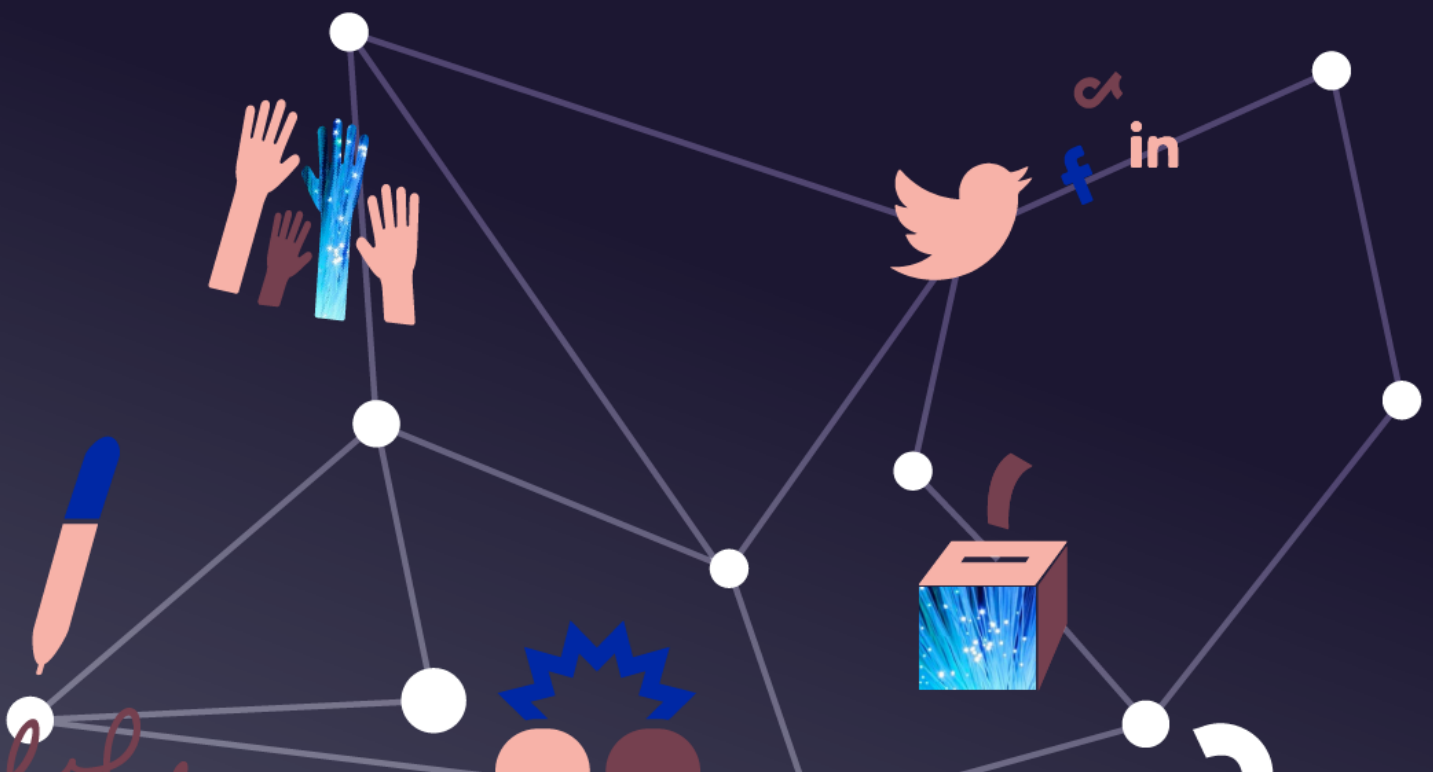|	
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**Theoretical Foundations of Digital Democracy
(Chair: Anna Boos)**

1. "Institutional Change on Digital Platforms: Temporal Shifts in the Power of Users, Businesses, and the State" (Sverrir Steinsson) (online)

2. "Re-conceptualising the Design of Digital Democracy" (Gianluca Sgueo, Gianluca Misuraca) (online)

3. "Can AI Make Us Better Citizens? The Promises and Perils of Democracy Bots" (Theodore Lechterman)

4. "J.S. Mill's Hoop Test: Compatibility of Machine Learning Models with Public Decision Making in Democratic Societies" (Mauricio Mandujano Manriquez)

5. "The opacity of Automated Decision-Making Systems (ADMS) and its challenges for political legitimacy in a democracy" (María Carolina Jiménez)

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13:30-15:00	**Methodological Approaches and Applications (Chair: Elliott Ash)**

1. "Learning Media Quality from Facebook Data" (Tom Paskhalis, Kevin Aslett, Cody Buntain, Zhanna Terechshenko, Joshua A. Tucker, Jonathan Nagler, Richard Bonneau)(online)

2. "The use of social group stereotypes in party competition" (Ronja Sczepanski)

3. "United we stand? Affective Unity against the Radical Right among Elites and Voters in Germany" (Ivo Bantel, Markus Kollberg)

4. "Two lenses see further: uncovering the underlying politics of online discourses through a computational-anthropological approach" (Simone Maria Parazzoli, Giulia Annaliese Paxton)

5. "Accountability in Time: Evolution in Social Accountability Institutions" (Brian Palmer-Rubin, Daniel Berliner, Aaron Erlich, Benjamin Bagozzi)

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15:30-17:00   **Digital Technology and Policy-Making (Chair: Fabrizio Gilardi)**

1. "The Shape of the Cloud: Democratising Decision-Making on Digital Infrastructure" (Julia Rone)

2. "Comparing egocentric networks to assess the impact of digital expertise and political conflict on the politicization of AI in the fields of Health, Finance and Welfare" (Nicole Lemke)

3. "Good bot, bad bot? Leveraging machine learning for automated text analysis of AI policy documents" (Lewin Schmitt)

4. "Undermining Lobbying Coalitions: The Interest Group Politics of Internet Content Regulation" (Max Heermann)

5. "Digital Development and Open Government: Evidence from Chilean Local Governments" (Bastián González-Bustamante, Diego Aguilar)

17:00 – 18:00   Goodbye drinks