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Hate Speech Detection in Social Networks: A socio-technical perspective

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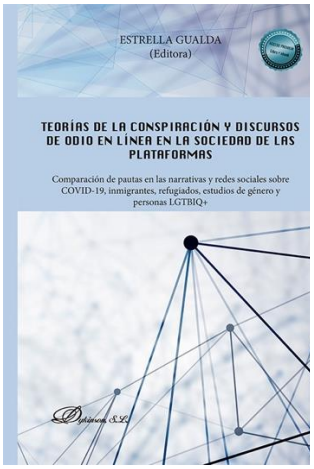
About the book



The book Conspiracy Theories and Online Hate Speech in the Platform Society presents a set of texts around conspiracy theories and online hate speech from a theoretical and applied perspective. Its authors explore how conspiracy narratives and online hate are concretized in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic, immigrants and refugees, hate and cyber-violence directed primarily at women, or narratives, discourses, and social imaginaries about LGTBIQ+ people.

One of the most novel aspects of this book is bringing together international contributions around these two thematic axes that are connected: conspiracy theories and hate speeches.

Chapters in the book were written from a diversity of sciences and disciplines that look inter-disciplinarily at their object of study, promoting, with the strategy of combining theory with case studies, a better understanding of two issues that have a great centrality in today's societies and that are sometimes setting the pace of social and political phenomena.

The main focus of the book, as can be seen in its title, is precisely to examine conspiracy narratives and hate speech in the context of the platform society, paying particular attention to these phenomena when they are deployed on platforms such as Twitter or X, Instagram, Telegram, or others, as well as through messaging services.

This book is one of the products resulting from the execution of the R&D&I project entitled “Conspiracy Theories and Online Hate Speech: Comparison of Patterns in Narratives and Social Networks about COVID-19, immigrants, and refugees and LGBTI people [NON-CONSPIRA-HATE!]”, grant: PID2021-123983OB-I00, funded by MCIN/AEI/10.13039/501100011033/ and by FEDER/EU.