PROJECT PARTNER SEARCH FORM

x We offer our expertise to participate as a Partner in a Horizon Europe Project

x We have our own project ideas and we are looking for Partners and a Coordinator for these projects

TOPICS OF INTEREST

Cluster 2 Horizon Europe

HORIZON-CL2-2022-DEMOCRACY-01-09

Global governance for a world in transition: Norms, institutions, actors

Our project idea: Detecting Foreign Policy Trends based on Monitoring National Policy Discourses

HORIZON-CL2-2022-DEMOCRACY-01-06:

Media for democracy – democratic media

Our project idea: Exploring Motivations and Structural Factors Enabling Killing Data/Investigative Journalists

PARTNER INFORMATION

Specific skills / technologies: In depth-analysis, experiences from researching topics such as media regulation (including social media), populism, democracy and media, corruption and media, ideologies, international communication, media literacy, media plurality.

Description of the Legal Entity

The School of Communication and Media, n.o. (SCM) is a research establishment founded in Slovakia in 2008. SCM's mission is to provide high-quality in-depth research on issues related to communication and media, as well as courses, seminars, and lectures mainly related to the dissemination of research results. SCM focuses particularly on the areas of mass media communication and the functions and interactions of the media in a liberal democracy, but also on aspects of populism and AI. SCM has been involved in two major H2020 projects (DEMOS, COMPACT), and two major FP7 research projects (MEDIADEM, ANTICORRP), and some medium-sized international scientific or educational projects (e.g. Media Plurality Monitor, EMEDUS, NewMedLit, the deterrence of fraud related to EU funds through investigative journalism in EU-27, and Hungarian Media Laws in Europe). SCM closely cooperates with the Slovak Section of the Association of European Journalists. Our activities are funded by international and local research, educational, and dissemination grants. We are reliable and honest and we expect the same from our partners. We are small, creative, and hard-working!

□ Higher Education	X Research Institution	Public Administration
Industry /SME	X NGO	Other: Please specify

Expertise of the Team Leader: Dr. Andrej Školkay

I am a scientist in charge of the research team of the School of Communication and Media since its establishment 14 years ago in Slovakia. I have published widely on various aspects of the media and political sciences with a specific focus on political communication, social media, and populism (about 80 scientific publications, including research and policy papers for the European Commission and the government) in the last 25 years. I have obtained PhD. from Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia in 2000. I have managed national teams for international H2020 or FP7 projects such as DEMOS (populism and the media), <u>COMPACT</u> (CSA project), <u>MEDIADEM</u> (Media and democracy), <u>ANTICORRP</u> (Media and corruption), <u>EMEDUS</u>, Media plurality Monitor, Media Law in Hungary, and many others. I have written a book on Media Law in Slovakia (Kluwer Law International, irregularly-updated) and I am the author of Media and Globalisation (2009).

Professional Activities/Membership: Secretary General of the Slovak Political Science Association, member of editorial boards of the *Central European Journal of Communication* and *In Media Re*. A member of *the Association of European Journalists*.

List of Recent Publications:

- **Populism and Social Media: An introduction into meta-theory**. *Studia Politica Slovaca*, 2-3/2021, Special Issue, 20 pages, in print
- Media sources shared and networking on Facebook. A comparative perspective (co-written with Adina Marincea), *Studia Politica Slovaca*, 2-3/2021, Special Issue, 25 pages, in print
- Information sources shared on Facebook and networking by populist leaders and populist parties in Slovakia (co-written with Adina Marincea), Studia Politica Slovaca, 2-3/2021, Special Issue, 30 pages, in print
- Information sources shared on Facebook and networking by a populist leader in Greece (co-written with Adina Marincea), Studia Politica Slovaca, 2-3/2021, Special Issue, 30 pages, in print
- **Policy discussion section** (co-edited with Bisserra Zankova), *Studia Politica Slovaca*, 2-3/2021, Special Issue, 30 pages, in print
- The cause and retort of populism: A formal political reasoning (Politics) without distinct ideology as a response to a political-moral crisis turning Laclau's theory into a research tool. In *Current Populism in Europe: Gender-Backlash and Counter-strategies* (2021), edited by Martin Mejstrík and Vladimír Handl, Prague: Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung e.V., pp. 95-113.
- Školkay, Andrej (2021). Journalism and Populism in Slovakia. National Report for DEMOS Project. Work Package 7, Task 7.3, 40 pages/ 16,000 words.
- Školkay, A., Vass-Vigh, V., Žúborová, V., Laczko, M. (2021). Slovak Political Parties' Responses to Populism. The National Report for task 7.4 on Slovakia. DEMOS Project. 12 pages/5,800 words.
- Social media regulation from the perspectives of national media regulatory authorities in V4. *Mediální studia, 2020,* 14(2), pp.188-215. https://www.medialnistudia.fsv.cuni.cz/en/
- An exploratory study of global and local discourses on social media regulation. *Global Media Journal German Edition (2020), 10*(1), 51 pages, DOI: https://doi.org/10.22032/dbt.44942, http://globalmediajournal.de/
- Performance analysis of fact-checking organizations and initiatives in Europe: a critical overview of online platforms fighting fake news (2020), co-author. In: *Disinformation and Digital Media as a Challenge for Democracy*, editors Georgios Terzis, Dariusz Kloza, Elżbieta Kuż elewska, Daniel Trottier, Cambridge – Antwerp – Chicago: Intersentia, pp.217-248. https://intersentia.com/en/disinformation-and-digital-media-as-a-challenge-for-democracy.html

- National Report for Demos Project (2021): Impact of populism on the party system in Slovakia 2000–2020 (59 pages).
- National Report for Demos Project (2020): The populist challenge of common EU policies: the case of (im)migration policy (Slovakia) between 2015 and 2018 (40 pages).
- National Report for Demos Project (2020): When populists govern: Economic policy, criminal justice policy and family policy in Slovakia. Country report prepared for the DEMOS Project (30 pages), 2020, (with co-authors).
- David against Goliath: An individual investigative journalist against criminals protected by a partially captured state. In: *Media, Freedom of Speech, and Democracy in the EU and Beyond*. Research Paper No. 10, Angelos Giannakopoulos, editor, Israel, Tel Aviv University (2019), pp.68-86.
- The comparison of fake news detecting and fact-checking AI based solutions, with Juraj Filin, (2019), *Medioznawcze*, 20(4), pp.365-383, https://doi.org/10.33077/uw.24511617.ms.2019.4.187
- Slovakia. From a black hole in the heart of Europe to a Central/Eastern European statisical average. In: Peter Bajomi-Lazar, editor, *Media in Third-Wave Democracies. Southern and Central/Eastern Europe in a Comparative Perspective.* Budapest: L 'Harmattan (2017), pp. 182-209.
- Boris Kollár and OĽANO party communication on Facebook, with Adina Marincea, *Politické vedy*, 23, 4, (2020), pp. 109-136. http://www.politickevedy.fpvmv.umb.sk/archiv-vydani/2020/4-2020/adina-marincea-andrej-skolkay.html
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- Slovakia Country Report, IRIS Special 2019-2, Self- and Co-regulation in the new AVMSD European Audiovisual Observatory, Strasbourg (2019), pp. 85-92
- A case-specific instance of media capture: the Gorilla case of Slovakia, Srodkowoeuropejskie studie politiczne (2018), 4, pp. 65-94, DOI 10.14746/ssp.2018.4.4
- Partial state capture by a single oligarchic group: the Gorilla case in Slovakia (2018), *Středoevropské politické studie*, 20(2), pp.182-203. doi: <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.5817/CEPSR.2018.2.182</u>
- Deliverable D1.1. for Compact Project (2018): **Research agendas and roadmaps. Deliverable D1.1.,** 90 pages + Supplements, approx. 150 pages, the key author.
- Deliverable 1.2. Part 1+2, Future Research on Convergence and Social Media, (2018), (138 pages + 42 pages), the key author.
- Deliverable D 1.3 State of the art research on Convergence and Social Media. A compendium on R&D programmes/activities (2019), 345 pages, the key author.
- Slovakia. Conditional success of ethical regulation via online instruments. In:Tobias Eberwein, Susanne Fengler and Mathias Karmasin, editors, *The European Handbook of Media Accountability*. Londonn: Routledge (2017), pp. 225-234.

Potential role in the project

X Research	Training			
X Dissemination	X Other: scientific coordinator, work package leader			
Already experience as a Coordinator	x YES			
Partner	x YES	□ NO		
Expert Evaluator	x YES			
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