# A Computational Turn in Journalism:

Opportunities and Challenges in a Cross-Disciplinary Field

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ICA Preconference Program

**Venue:** NUS AS8 building, 10 Kent Ridge Crescent, Singapore 119260 (<u>Google Maps</u>) \*indicates remote presentation.



The AS8 building is conveniently located next to the NUS Central Library. The sessions will take place in two rooms: 04-04 and 04-01. They are both located on the fourth floor, and accessible by elevators and escalators.

#### Beverages and Snacks

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Outside Room AS8/04-04

#### Welcome Remarks and Keynote Lecture 1

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Room AS8/04-04

<u>Keynote Speaker:</u> Prof. Magdalena Wojcieszak, Professor, Department of Communication, University of California, Davis

### Session 1A: Local News

10:15 AM - 12:00 PM at Room AS8/04-04

(Moderator: Shangyuan Wu)

- 1. News localness and the consumption of digital local news (2017-2021)

  Alvin Zhou (Hubbard School of Journalism & Mass Communication, University of Minnesota)
- 2. Assessing the Quality and Community Coverage of Local News Using Computational Methods Damon Kiesow (University of Missouri School of Journalism)
- 3. Using Computational Techniques to Effectively Assess the "Place" in Local Journalism Matthew Weber (Department of Communication, Rutgers University)
- When the Devil is in the Sample: Benchmarking Data Sources to Analyse African News Content Computationally Dani Madrid-Morales (School of Journalism, Media and Communication, The University of Sheffield)
- 5. \*Hard News and Softened Propaganda: the Effect of Chinese Mainstream Media's Political Vlogs Through User Engagement

Wang Huiyi (School of Journalism and Communication, Renmin University of China)

#### Session 1B: Data and Journalism

10:15 AM - 12:00 PM Room AS8/04-01

(Moderator: Yilang Peng)

- 1. "Three cases and there's a pattern": dialectical relationship between anecdote and numbers in data journalism
  - Ma Ningyuan (Moody College of Communication, University of Texas at Austin)
- Research on the Current Situation of Data Journalism Education in China Based on the Empirical Analysis
  of 50 Universities in China
  Ling Tao (Anging Normal University)
- 3. Hues of Victory: Using Computer Vision to Examine Skin Color's Influence on Electoral Success Silvia Angelica Teliz Martinez (Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania)
- 4. Negotiating between the meaningfulness and meaninglessness of audience metrics for journalists Pinja Päivänen (Department of Language and Communication Studies, University of Jyväskylä)

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### Lunch

#### 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM Outside Room AS8/04-04

#### Session 2A: AI and Journalism 1

1:15 PM - 3:00 PM Room AS8/04-04

(Moderator: Thorsten Quandt)

- 1. LabelGenius GPT-Powered media-text Labeler: A Tool for Dynamic and Flexible Labeling with GPT Models for media-text Classification
  - Huang Jiacheng (Hubbard School of Journalism & Mass Communication, University of Minnesota
- 2. Automated Content Analysis of Bilingual Content Using Generative AI: Opportunities and Challenges Fang Kecheng (School of Journalism and Communication, The Chinese University of Hong Kong)
- 3. Fine-Tuning disinformation detection between journalist and machine: Introducing a human-in-the-loop framework for conceptualizing artificial intelligence-based detection strategies against disinformation campaigns in journalism practice
  - Johanna Klapproth (Department of Communication, University of Münster, Germany)
- 4. ChatGPT, Can You Write This News Article?: Diffusion of Artificial Intelligence in Small and Local Indonesian Newsrooms
  - Yearry Panji Setianto (Faculty of Communication, Universitas Multimedia Nusantara)
- \*The value of generative AI in making news reels: An explorative study on NewsReel application
   Zhou Jiawen (School of Journalism and Communication, Shanghai International Studies University)

#### Session 2B: Al and Journalism II

1:15 PM - 3:00 PM in Room AS8/04-01

(Moderator: Yilang Peng)

- 1. Management of Automation: Examining U.S. News Organizations Adaptation to Al Innovation *Vy Luong (University of Missouri School of Journalism)*
- 2. An updated scoping review of automated journalism scholarship Michelle Bartleman (Department of Communication, University of Ottawa)
- 3. Enhancing Newsroom Efficiency: Al-Based Filtering and Summarization of Press Releases

  Mate Koczka and Anuska Banerjee (School of Media, Heritage, and Culture, Newcastle University)
- 4. Charting the global development of algorithm-driven journalism: A systematic literature review of research trends and the North-South research divide
  - Aynur Sarısakaloğlu (Department of Media Studies, Technische Universität Ilmenau)
- 5. Ad hoc media: New forms of media-like social communication and their detection via automated methods of data collection and analysis
  - Svetlana S.Bodrunova (St. Petersburg State University)
- \*Online human-robot interaction: an information ecology perspective on the public opinion impact of social bots in reversal news
  - Liang Wenhui (School of Literature and Journalism, Sichuan University)

## Beverages and Snacks

3:00 PM - 3:15 PM Outside Room AS8/04-04

#### Session 3A: Social Media and News

3:15 PM - 5:00 PM in Room AS8/04-04

(Moderator: Thorsten Quandt)

- What occurs as #news on TikTok? A Computational Approach
   Jonathan Hendrickx (Journalism Studies Center, University of Vienna)
- 2. Navigating cross-platform crisis coverage: Temporal patterns of topic dynamics in the information flow between news media and social media platforms

  Johanna Klapproth (Department of Communication, University of Münster, Germany)
- 3. Lower Quantity, Higher Quality: Auditing Algorithmic News Curation on Twitter/X

  Huang Shengchun (Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania)
- 4. \*Entwined Realms: Examining Media Contexts and News Choice Sakshi Bhalla (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)
- \*A multidimensional empirical study on the communication effect of "data news" Cai Yiru (Tiangong University)

#### Session 3B: Journalism – Past and Future

3:15 PM - 5:00 PM in Room AS8/04-01

(Moderator: Tian Yang)

- Forecasting Future News Deserts
   Liu Mingxuan (Spiegel Research Center Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications, Northwestern University)
- Digital Turn Without Digital Methods? Mapping the Journey of Journalism Studies Fan Yangliu (Institute for Media and Communication, Free University of Berlin)
- 3. Constructing the collective memory as another role normative role of journalism in the age of Al Xin Frida Qi (University of Missouri School of Journalism)
- 4. The Application of Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality Technologies in News Transmission Luo Xueli (Communication University of China)
- \*Unlocking Journalistic Imagination: A New Methodological Approach for Studying Computational Change in Journalism
   Tanja Aitamurto (University of Illinois Chicago)

# Keynote Lecture 2 and Closing Remarks

5:15 PM - 6:30 PM in Room AS8/04-04

<u>Keynote Speaker:</u> Prof. Edson Tandoc, Professor, Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, Nanyang Technological University