

The Communications Coordination Committee for the United Nations (CCCUN)

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Invitation to a Panel Discussion

Co-sponsored by

PCI Media Impact; International Council of Women (ICW-CIF); UNA-USA COO; Pan Pacific and South East Asia Women's Association (PPSEAWA-USA); CoNGO; World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organization; Human Rights Congress for Bangladesh Minorities and others pending

Media and Social Change: Recognizing & Challenging Disinformation, Stereotypes, and Fake News

This event focuses on the epidemic of disinformation and fake news and its effects on society. Panelists will provide a brief history of fake news and the misuse of the term for political and commercial purposes, making it difficult for news consumers to recognize what's true and what's false. Details of an innovative news literacy curriculum used in the U.S. and in 10 countries will be presented to empower media consumers to develop skills to help judge the reliability of news and information. The importance of starting young to teach children about fake and misleading information and adaptation of the curriculum to middle school youth will also be discussed. Research into misleading stereotypes concerning refugee and immigrants will be discussed. An innovative program to train journalists in Bolivia to recognize human trafficking and accuracy in reporting will also be discussed.

Thursday, November 1, 2018

2:45 – 5:00 PM

U.N. Church Center

777 United Nations Plaza, NYC

44th Street and First Ave.

2nd Floor Conference Room

Event is open to all. Please bring photo ID. RSVP cccun@optonline.net to be included on security list.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS - MODERATOR

Dr. Elizabeth Carll

President, CCCUN; UN Representative, International Council of Women (ICW-CIF); Executive Committee, NGO Committee on Mental Health; Former President, Media & Technology Division of APA

PARTICIPANTS

Dr. Lee McIntyre

Author, *Post-Truth* (MIT Press 2018); Research Fellow, Boston University Center for Philosophy and History of Science; Lecturer in Ethics, Harvard Ext. School; Former Exec. Director, Harvard Inst. Quantitative Social Science

Professor Howard Schneider

Founding Dean of Stony Brook University School of Journalism; Executive Director of Stony Brook's Center for News Literacy; Developed first course in News Literacy; training children & youth to recognize disinformation and fake news

Dr. Chrysalis Wright

Director, Media & Migration Lab, University of Central Florida; Research on immigrant stereotypes; Board Member, Media & Technology Division of APA

Meesha Brown

Vice-President, PCI Media Impact;

Media Project -Training journalists on accurate reporting of human trafficking

Q&A AND AUDIENCE DISCUSSION

Dr. Rebecca Riger Tsurumi

Vice President, Website Editor, CCCUN; UN Representative, AARP

Author, *The Closed Hand: Images of the Japanese in Modern Peruvian Literature*