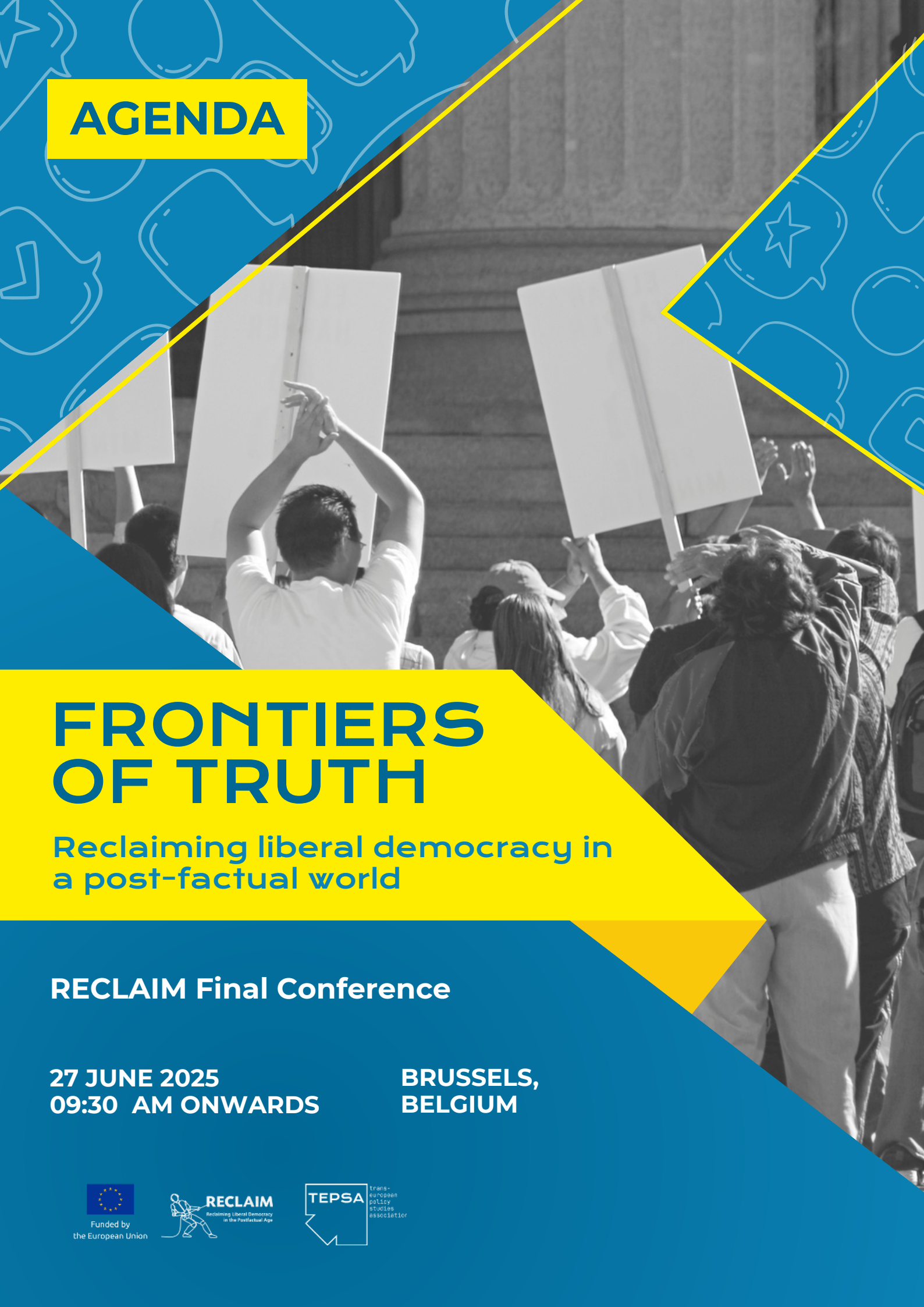




AGENDA

FRONTIERS OF TRUTH

Reclaiming liberal democracy in
a post-factual world

RECLAIM Final Conference

**27 JUNE 2025
09:30 AM ONWARDS**

**BRUSSELS,
BELGIUM**



Friday, 27 June

09:30 - 10:00

Conference registration

10:00 - 10:10

Welcome & opening remarks

- **Pia Hansson**, Director, Institute of International Affairs, University of Iceland

10:10 - 10:30

Setting the stage

"From disinformation to distrust: Making sense of post-truth politics"

- **Maximilian Conrad**, Professor, University of Iceland & RECLAIM Principal Investigator

10:30 - 11:15

Quickfire questions

"Can democracy survive the post-truth era?"

- TBC

Moderated by **Ole Frahm**, Research Specialist, University of Iceland

11:15 - 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 - 12:30

Reverse panel

"Echo-chamber or public forum? Rethinking the role of media in liberal democracy"

- **Hans-Jorg Trenz**, Professor, Scuola Normale Superiore
- **Renate Schroeder**, Director, European Federation of Journalists
- **Alberto Rabbachin**, Deputy Head of Unit, Media Convergence and Social Media, DG CNECT, European Commission
- **Marta Barandyi**, Founding President, Promote Ukraine

Moderated by **Meabh McMahon**, TV Journalist & Presenter

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch

13:30 - 14:45

Counter the election hacker

“The fight for electoral integrity in Europe”

- **Delphine Colard**, Spokesperson and Head of Spokesperson's Unit, Directorate-General for Communication, European Parliament
- **Ben Graham Jones**, Consultant in Emerging Threats to Democratic Integrity
- **Fulvia Menin**, Policy Officer, Information Integrity and Countering Foreign Information Manipulation and Interference Division, European External Action Service
- **Jonáš Syrovátka**, Researcher, Institute of International Relations Prague

Moderated by **Boyd Wagner**, Political Strategist & Elections Analyst, Euronews Contributor

14:45 - 15:00

Short Break

15:00 - 16:00

Critical reflections

“Regulating disinformation: How much is too much?”

- **Luis Bouza García**, Professor, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
- **Claire Pershan**, EU Advocacy Lead, Mozilla Foundation
- **Anja Wyrobek**, Legal Policy Advisor to MEP Birgit Sippel, European Parliament
- TBC

Moderated by **Shada Islam**, Founder & Managing Director, New Horizons Project

16:00 - 16:30

Coffee Break

16:30 - 17:30

Post-truth be told **LIVE**

Beyond the clickbait: Information flows and EU policy-making

- **Ciara Bottomley**, Media Manager, Amnesty International
- **Paola Tamma**, EU Correspondent, Financial Times
- **James Kanter**, Co-producer and Editor, EU Scream
- **Pamela Bartlett Quintanilla**, Team Leader - Outreach & Campaigns, Greens/EFA, European Parliament

Live podcast recording hosted by **Alvaro Oleart**, FNRS postdoctoral researcher, Department of Political Science & Institute for European Studies, Université Libre de Bruxelles

17:30- 17:45

Concluding remarks

- **Jim Cloos**, Secretary-General, TEP SA

17:45

Reception

About RECLAIM

RECLAIM (Reclaiming Liberal Democracy in the Post-Factual Age) is a Horizon Europe project on Reclaiming Liberal Democracy in a Post-Truth era. In recent years there has been a rise in what the experts call “post truth politics”, which manipulates facts and emotions. The project tries to understand how this phenomenon is affecting the future of democracy in Europe, and more importantly, what we can do about it.



About TEPSA

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