

Austrian Institute for International Affairs (oiip)
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Media Literacy Incubator

June 25, 2026
09:30 am - 05:00 pm

call for applications.

Disinformation and Extremist Ecosystems

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How to apply

Complete the application form [here](#).

Required documents: CV & motivation letter (max. 1 page)

In your motivation letter, tell us:

- your background and perspective on media literacy
- your take on the urgency of media literacy
- your visions for countering extremist ecosystems

Deadline: **June 10, 2026**



Who can apply?

We invite young people (aged 18-30) from EU member states (or [eligible countries](#) for the CERV programme) with an interest in media literacy, democracy, disinformation, and extremism prevention and a good command of English to apply to the Media Literacy Incubator.



Why you should apply

Disinformation and the rise of far-right extremism affect all of us: in politics, public debates, democratic participation, and everyday life online.

In this workshop, you will:

- improve your ability to identify disinformation
- examine the Austrian context with experts and practitioners, with a special focus on far-right extremist ecosystems
- sketch strategies for countering misleading and manipulative information and its dissemination
- become part of a European network of young ambassadors for media literacy



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Terms and Conditions for Participation

Participation is free of charge.

The group is limited to 25-30 people.

Information on travel reimbursements, if applicable, will be shared with selected participants.

Participants are expected to actively contribute and complete feedback surveys.

Selected participants will be contacted shortly.

Additional Opportunity: Become a Changemaker

Based on engagement and contributions, four participants of the event will be selected as **Changemakers**, who will join a transnational group working on disinformation and media literacy, getting the chance to:

- participate in a tailored mentorship programme to create public awareness campaigns addressing disinformation
- partake in further project activities, including 3 in-person events in Brussels and a second event in Austria
- have a chance to present their campaigns to relevant EU interlocutors at a final concluding conference in Brussels



About ChangingTIDE

ChangingTIDE aims to address the democratic threat of disinformation by combining awareness-raising, media literacy education, youth empowerment and participatory dialogue. The project equips participants with the skills necessary to critically analyse and evaluate media while fostering inclusive exchanges between citizens, experts and policy-makers on disinformation challenges.

ChangingTIDE places a strong emphasis on youth empowerment, supporting young people to develop critical thinking, media literacy and civic engagement, and enabling them to act as multipliers within their communities. Through training, peer learning and participatory formats, the project seeks to build long-term democratic resilience and social cohesion, while addressing the different ways in which disinformation manifests across national and local contexts in the EU.

About oiip

The Austrian Institute for International Affairs (oiip) is an independent research institute that was founded in 1979 and has been committed to research in the field of international politics ever since. It is Austria's leading research institute on international politics and is situated at the juncture between academic and policy-oriented research. Aside from academic research and publishing at the international level, the institute's staff are also engaged in teaching, policy consultancy and raising public awareness on a variety of important issues.