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Invitation to a Panel Discussion

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Fake News: Developing Strategies to Decipher Disinformation

This event focuses on the epidemic of fake news and disinformation and its effects on media consumers. Panelists will provide a brief history of fake news and the misuse of the term for political purposes. They will explain how new technology sends fake news into new global arenas, making it difficult for news consumers to recognize what's true and what's false. Also addressed will be the campaign to silence truth tellers and what it means to our democracy.

Empowering media consumers and educational programs for developing news literacy to help us judge the reliability of news and information will be discussed. Details of an innovative news literacy curriculum used in the U.S. and in 10 countries will be presented. 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. Reference to net neutrality and free access to internet news and information for all people and the importance to fostering economic and social equality and prosperity will be highlighted.

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

2:00 – 4:00 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

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS - MODERATOR

Dr. Elizabeth Carl

President, CCCUN; UN Representative, International Council of Women (ICW-CIF); Executive Committee, NGO Comm. 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

Bill Grueskin

Professor of Professional Practice at Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism; Former editor; *WSJ*; Co-author, *The Story So Far: What We Know About the Business of Digital Journalism*

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, a prototype for U.S. and international universities

Sean Southey

CEO, PCI Media Impact

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*