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FAKE NEWS RISK MITIGATOR

FERMI will exploit a holistic and cross-disciplinary methodology towards a framework that will thoroughly analyse **disinformation and fake news** and their sources, in combination with all the socioeconomic factors that may affect both the spreading of such incidents and their effects on multiple dimensions of society.

EUROPEANS ONLINE

Almost 66% of EU citizens read news online

Almost 70% of EU citizens go online for info about products and services

>50% of EU citizens go online to find health info

COUNTERING CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Law Enforcement Agencies can at best identify **disinformation and fake news**, although they have limited if any insights on origins, likely area of diffusion, likely impact on crime, etc.

Are not able to link **disinformation and fake news** with cyber-threats and offline crimes

REAL-LIFE THREATS

Distortion of public opinion

Radicalisation and violence

ONLINE THREATS

Veracity of info is often disputable

Sophisticated manipulation of content (e.g., deep fakes)

OUR OBJECTIVES

- Analyse the direct risks posed by **disinformation and fake news** to the offline world and minimise the impact
- Design training and education material for European Police
- Design training and education material for public authorities, other professionals and stakeholders, and EU citizens
- Support the EU LEAs and (social) media organizations in the combat against **disinformation and fake news** and the ramifications thereof
- Realise technological breakthroughs towards a society more resilient to **disinformation and fake news**
- Realise accurate risk modelling and assessment, optimized decision support for LEAs to mitigate such risks
- Improve understanding of the cultural and societal aspects of **disinformation and fake news**



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