

Special Issue

Fighting Fake News: A Generational Approach

Message from the Guest Editors

To reach equal opportunities in our society, access to credible accessible information is of prime importance for all generations. Access to (digital) information about services and products is crucial. Van den Hoven (2017), referring to Rawls, goes so far as to refer to accessible information as a “primary good.” As all citizens have an equal right to access to information, Bovens (2002) and Bovens & Loos (2002) even advocate granting citizens information rights, next to the classic (freedom) rights. Fake News endangers the accessibility of information for younger and older citizens. The question is how we can fight fake news so all generations continue to have access to credible accessible information. This Special Issue is about technological, legal, and/or educational measures to fight fake news in health information (e.g., Covid-19, entertainment, news etc.) so citizens have access to credible digital information. We invite you to submit original manuscripts focusing on such measures for younger citizens, older citizens, or a comparison of both groups.

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