

Info Day on “Digital Tools to Prevent and Counter Hate Speech Online” by DAISSy-HOU, within the LEAD-Online project

The [DAISSy research group of the Hellenic Open University \(HOU\)](#) invites to the info day on “Digital Tools to Prevent and Counter Hate Speech Online”, to be organized within the framework of the implementation of the [LEAD-Online: Learn, Engage, Act: Digital Tools to Prevent and Counter Hate Speech Online](#) European project. The activity takes place on **Monday 23rd October 2023 at 17.30’**, in **Patras, Greece** (“My Way” Hotel), providing also the possibility of online participation, through the **zoom** electronic platform.

Specifically, the event is addressed to teachers, students, representatives of the civil society, journalists, social media activists and any individual or organisation that wishes and is capable of activating in preventing and combating hate speech online. It examines hate speech as a social phenomenon and the ways of countering it in its online version.

This is why, the info day focuses on presenting the innovative digital tools i.e. **Hate Out! Game** and [Hate Speech Self-Assessment Tool](#), which have been developed under the responsibility of DAISSy-HOU within the framework of the LEAD-Online project. They cope with the increase of awareness in relation to the level of conscious or unconscious use of hate speech online as well as with the education in relation to ways of reporting it, countering it and supporting victims.

More precisely:

- Participation is free of charge and open to all
- Pre-registration is not needed
- Online participation is available through the Zoom electronic platform, by using the following link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81755857339?pwd=dXKvZ1pfmhc7UyKE6cmdgnuli1bU5o.1>
Meeting ID: 817 5585 7339
Passcode: 163008

This info day is the second activity of the “**LEAD-Online Talks**” series of project events, which aim at raising awareness on the phenomenon of hate speech online as well as educating young people (and not only), accordingly.

🔗 It is noteworthy, that the LEAD-Online project emphasizes on the need to strengthen the critical thinking and the digital skills of young people that seem to be causally related to the low level of reporting and the "normalization" of Hate Speech online. Specifically, the project aims at empowering young people, educators, civil society representatives, media and social media activists to become active agents of change. This will be achieved by training them, so that they recognise hate speech as well as persistent forms of intolerance, prejudice and discrimination, using a human rights-based approach. By exploring innovative digital tools provided by the LEAD-Online project, they will be able to classify, decode and consequently respond to Hate Speech online, and at the same time they will expand their opportunities by

discussing the phenomenon, promoting attitudes and behaviours that respect human rights and values.

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For more information on the **LEAD-Online** project, and other activities of DAISSy:

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