

6th LISBON

# WINTER SCHOOL

FOR THE STUDY OF COMMUNICATION

MEDIA  
AND  
COURAGE

## PROGRAMME



# tuesday, 6 january 2026

VENUE: FUNDAÇÃO CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN, MAIN BUILDING

## 9.00 Registration and Coffee

## 9.45 Opening Session | ROOM 1

Isabel Capelo Gil | Rector, Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Alexandra Lopes | Director, Research Centre for Communication & Culture (CECC)

Nelson Ribeiro | Co-Director, Lisbon Winter School for the Study of Communication

## 10.00 Courage: The Elephant in the Room | ROOM 1

Jacques Chevalier | Carleton University

Chair: Barbie Zelizer | Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania

## 11.15 Coffee Break

## 11.45 “Keep Calm and Carry On”. On Ukrainian Writers’ Courage and Resilience | ROOM 1

Ola Hnatiuk | Kiviv Mohyla Academy

Chair: Alexandra Lopes | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

## 13.00 Lunch

## 14.15 Paper Session I: News, Courage and Exile | ROOM 1

Chairs and Respondents: Ioli Campos | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Ejvind Hansen | Danish School of Media & Journalism

Refashioning the Foreign News Model: A Turkish Case Study

Anna Murphy | University of Pennsylvania

“There is No Journalist Without Courage”: The Renegotiation of Professional Identity of Russian Independent Journalists in Exile

Polina Malakhova | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

It’s a Man’s World: Daily Struggles of Female Journalists

Veronika Olivia-Vegh | Eötvös Loránd University

## 14.15 Paper Session II: Media, Migration & Sexualities | ROOM 3

Chairs and Respondents: Sarah Banet-Weiser | Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania & Cátia Ferreira | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Precarious Belonging: Chemsex, Digital Infrastructures, and the Courage of Queer Migrant Lives in Europe

Juan Sebastian Rueda Toro | Central European University

Problems of Upward Mobility in Queer Refugee Memoirs

Ayşe İrem Karabag | York University

Media, Androgyny, and the Courage of David Bowie: Breaking Gender Norms through Representation

Patricia Bilimória-Fernandes | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

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## 15.45 Coffee Break

### 16.15 Paper Session III: Journalism, Dissent & Resistance | ROOM 1

Chairs and Respondents: Isadora Ataíde Fonseca | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Risto Kunelius | University of Helsinki

Courageous Dissent in Autocratizing Democracies: The Case for Studying Meso-Elites in Senegal

Ify Okpali | University of Pennsylvania

Collaboration as Courage: The European Correspondent in Hungary and Turkey

Özge Somlyai | Eötvös Loránd University

Journalism in the Shadow of Foreign Agent Laws: Resilience of Young Journalists against the Hungarian Sovereignty Act

Kata Horváth | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Eötvös Loránd University

### 16.15 Paper Session IV: Memory and Resistance | ROOM 3

Chairs and Respondents: Jacques Chevalier | Carleton University & Catarina Valdigem | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Colombia's Archivo del Paro #28A: Digital Archival Activism and Memory as Resistance

Gabriella Bellot | University of Pennsylvania

Underground Networks of Memory: Alternative Media and Material Storytelling in Repressive Contexts

Paulina Lanz | University of Southern California

Courage or Resistance: Oriana Fallaci. A Female Voice on the Palestinian Conflict in Portuguese Media in 1970

Inês Ferreira Fernandes | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

## 17.45 End of Day One

# wednesday, 7 january 2026

VENUE: UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA PORTUGUESA, LIBRARY BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR

## 10.00 100% Alive, Death Hoaxes, Gender and Fake News | ROOM 417

Patricia Kingori | University of Oxford

Chair: Sarah Banet-Weiser | Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania

## 11.15 Coffee Break

## 11.45 Inviting the Stranger. How it Takes Courage to Listen to Strangers | ROOM 417

Ejvind Hansen | Danish School of Media & Journalism

Chair: Francis Lee | The Chinese University of Hong Kong

## 13.00 Lunch

## 14.15 Paper Session V: Digital Media: Courage, Inequality and Deception | ROOM 417

Chairs and Respondents: Patrícia Dias | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Diana Gonçalves | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Digital Inequality in the Usage of Potentially Harmful Applications: A Call for Courageous Advocacy

Jiyuan QI | The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Digital Courage in an Age of AI Deception: How Media Practitioners Navigate the Challenge of Authenticating Human Communication in the Global South

Ibs Sackey-Rockson | Louisiana State University

Breaking the Cocoon: Everyday Courage of Influencers amid Platformization

Ruiwen Zhou | The Chinese University of Hong Kong

## 14.15 Paper Session VI: Social Media: Content, Harassment and Policy Making | ROOM 415

Chairs and Respondents: Patricia Kingori | University of Oxford & Clara Almeida Santos | Universidade de Coimbra

Telegram as a Moral Forum: Ethical Discussions of Russian Emigrants in Times of War

Ekaterina Purgina | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Media Courage in the Digital Era: How Social Media Contributes to Policy Making in Indonesia's 2025 Protests and Sparked Southeast Asian Solidarity

Najah Raniyah | University of South Florida

Beyond the Battlefield: Resilience to Social Media Harassment Among India-Pakistan Conflict Reporters

Ridhi Kakkar | Indian Institute of Technology & Yashas P.R. | Christ University, Bengaluru, India

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## 15.45 Coffee Break

## 16.15 Paper Session VII: Women, Representations and Courage | ROOM 417

Chairs and Respondents: Carla Ganito | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Sandra Borges Tavares | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

The Body Counts: Critiquing Women-focused Afghan Diaspora Media Depictions of Women and Girls on Instagram

**Sheila B. Lalwani** | The University of Texas at Austin

Voices of Women under Taliban Rule: A Comparative Analysis of Afghan Media Coverage

**Haroon Hakimi** | Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Feminist Fatalism and the Politics of Anti-Courage in U.S. Digital Media

**Talia Fiester** | University of Pennsylvania

## 16.15 Paper Session VIII: Reporting, Emotions and Propaganda | ROOM 415

Chairs and Respondents: Manuel Carvalho Coutinho | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Jessica Roberts | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Reporting Under Media Capture: A Research Project on Foreign Correspondents' Responses in Hong Kong

**Carlos José Vieira Picassinós** | ISCTE University Institute of Lisbon

The Ethics of Care and Emotion in Journalism: The Case of the 2023 Turkey-Syria Earthquakes

**Burak Akbalık** | Istanbul Bilgi University

Methodological Adaptations in Researching Propaganda in Russia: Risks, Constraints, and Research Strategies

**Anastasiya Vincho** | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

## 17.45 End of Day Two

# thursday, 8 january 2026

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## 10.00 Rational Fears and Leaps of Faith: Courage in Polarised Times | ROOM 417

**Cherian George** | Hong Kong Baptist University

Chair: Risto Kunelius | University of Helsinki

## 11.15 Coffee Break

## 11.45 The Courage to Fight Zombie Misinformation and Internet Trolls: Fact-checkers' Reliance on Journalistic Roles and Identity | ROOM 417

**Jessica Roberts** | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Chair: Catarina Duff Burnay | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

## 13.00 Lunch

## 14.15 Paper Session IX: Framing and Representation | ROOM 417

Chairs and Respondents: Francis Lee | The Chinese University of Hong Kong & Adriana Martins | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

"Our Voice Will Matter, and We Need to Continue Using It": Analyzing the Discursive Performance of Courage in Student Journalism

**Yelena Dzhanova** | Temple University in Philadelphia

Between Pressure and Freedom: Quantitative Analysis of Media Framing in Pakistan

**Tarteel Rao** | University of Antwerp

Gender Bias in the Media Coverage of Female Politicians in EU Politics: Potential of Journalistic Trainings to Reduce Gender bias

**Janina Hummell** | University of Luxembourg

## 14.15 Paper Session X: Media, Protest & Negotiation | ROOM 415

Chairs and Respondents: Naïde Müller | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Catherine A. Sanderson | Amherst College

Philadelphia-based Artists as an Interpretive Community

**Nidah Mohammed** | University of Pennsylvania

Chords of Small Media Through Time

**Sahar Sagha** | Durham University

The Courage of Silence: Strategic Pauses in Negotiation and Media Contexts

**Milena Merhoutová** | Charles University

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## 15.45 Coffee Break

### 16.15 Paper Session XI: AI, Narratives and Neoliberalism | ROOM 417

Chairs and Respondents: Cherian George | Hong Kong Baptist University & Lungile Tshuma | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Courage Against the Machine: Memphis, Media, and AI Narrative Disruption

**Thomonique Moore** | University of Pennsylvania

How Journalism Dances with AI in China: Hybrid Journalism-AI Relations under State-Led Advocacy

**Youyi Wei** | The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Platformizing Neoliberal Femininity with Chinese Characteristics: A Case of RedNote

**Weidong Jin** | University of Leeds

### 16.15 Paper Session XII: Media, Identities & Fandom | ROOM 415

Chairs and Respondents: Fernando Ilharco | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Sarah Jackson | Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania

Courage and Compromise: Negotiating Identity and Privacy in Sharenting on Chinese Social Media

**Michelle Le He** | The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Disciplined Passion: Legitimation Strategies of Fandom Governance in Chinese Official Media Discourse

**Xi Wang** | The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Bodies Under the Falls: Black Metal, Courage, and American History in Panopticon's Concept Album

**Thales Reis Alecrim** | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

## 17.45 End of Day Three

# friday, 9 january 2026

VENUE: CENTRO CULTURAL DE BELÉM, CONVENTION CENTRE

**13.00** Lunch | **ROOM FERNANDO PESSOA**

**14.15** Paper Session XIII: Visual Media, Identities and Culture Change | **ROOM AMÁLIA RODRIGUES**

Chairs and Respondents: Barbie Zelizer | Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania & Alexandra Lopes | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Visual Resistance and Collective Identity: Poster Politics in Philadelphia's No Arena/Save Chinatown Movement

**Yuan Xu** | University of Pennsylvania

Spaceship Earth or the Womb? How Prominent Museums are Addressing the Climate Emergency

**Yaroslava Kutsai** | Charles University

The Rhetorical Dimension of Antagonism in the Political Documentaries of Michael Moore

**Ilari Kellokoski** | Tampere University

**14.15** Paper Session XIV: Public and Cultural Diplomacy | **ROOM LOPES GRAÇA**

Chairs and Respondents: Catarina Duff Burnay | Universidade Católica Portuguesa & Patrícia Tavares | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

Corrupting the Courage: European Competition for Skilled Migration Flows

**Valtteri Leinonen** | University of Helsinki & Paris-Panthéon-Assas

Correspondents and Special Envoys in the War in Ukraine: Present or Absent?

**Pedro Maia Martins** | University of Minho

Subculture, Mainstream Culture, or High Culture? Cultural Positioning of Japanese Anime/Manga and their Psychological Impact on Fans

**Akiko Kikuchi** | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

**15.45** Coffee Break

**16.15** Merely Bystanders: The Psychology of Courage and Inaction | **ROOM LUÍS DE FREITAS BRANCO**

**Catherine A. Sanderson** | Amherst College

Chair: Miles Pattenden | The Europaeum

**17.30** Break

**17.45** Truth-telling as Courage: Lessons from Early African American Media Networks | **ROOM LUÍS DE FREITAS BRANCO**

**Sarah Jackson** | Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania

Chair: Nelson Ribeiro | Universidade Católica Portuguesa

**19.00** Farewell Drink

**19.30** Walk to Bonança Restaurant

**19.45** Lisbon Winter School Closing Dinner

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Palma de cima, 1649-023 Lisboa

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