



CANVAS

SUMMER ACADEMY

JUNE 21st TO JULY 1st





CANVAS SUMMER ACADEMY - Introduction

We are excited to invite you to our Summer Academy of 2021, which will take place from June 21st to July 1st. In this unprecedented time, the 2021 program will center around 'Human Rights and Democracy Backlash,' as communities around the globe are challenged by the pandemic and its adjoining economic and political crises. The program's four-part structure explores the impact of Covid-19 on human rights, the future of the environment, and activism during the pandemic before a concluding discussion on the emergent challenge of digital security. These interactive sessions will teach you lessons from the past and how to actively plan for what's next while situating you in the global fight to create rigorous democracies and protect civic space. The sessions will be hosted by Srdja Popovic, Slobodan DjinoVIC, and Daniel Bukumirovic with expert guests sharing their experiences from Myanmar, the United States, the Philippines, Zimbabwe, and the United Kingdom. We hope to see you this summer for an in-depth exploration of the threats of our time and the tools we have to overcome them and create a better world.



Session I - Monday June 21, 2021 at 3 PM CET

2021: Democracy under siege

Impact of the Pandemic on Human Rights and Democracy



Session II - Thursday Jun 24, 2021 at 3 PM CET

Bleak Present - Greener Future

Why activism is the solution to environmental challenges



Session III - Monday Jun 28, 2021 at 3PM CET

Campaigning in a pandemic and post-truth world:

How it changed over the last 18 months



Session IV - Thursday July 01, 2021 at 3 PM CET

The Digital Space:

Threats and Opportunities to Activists

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Moderator:**SRDJA POPOVIC**

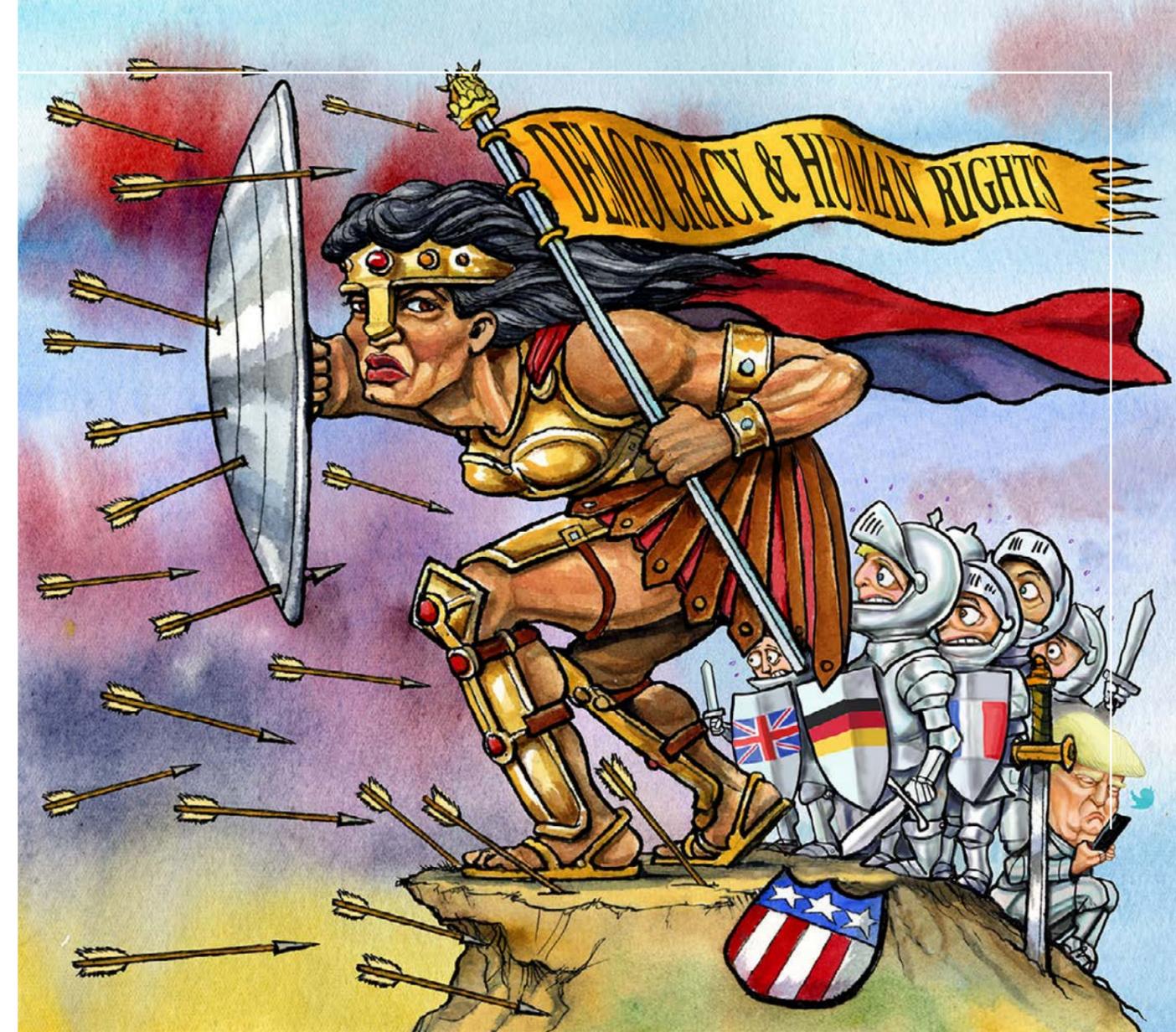
The COVID-19 pandemic has changed every aspect of life as we know it, but for some, these changes could be permanent. The pandemic allowed governments from all parts of the democratic spectrum to justify and intensify government surveillance, data collection, and movement restrictions which could remain in effect indefinitely. Human rights are under threat internationally, and so is democracy. According to the Freedom in the World Report, in 2020, 75 percent of the world's population experienced democratic deterioration in their country. What role did the pandemic play in that deterioration? How did the storming of the US capitol impact the state of democracy globally? What lessons has the coup in Myanmar taught us about democratic backsliding? Join us as we analyze these questions and the pandemic's impact on some of the most influential events of the year.

Freedom in the World Report, democracy battlefields -

Anne Applebaum

Contemporary trends in protests and global movement -

Benjamin Press

**CASE STUDY**

1. **Coup Spring: Myanmar** - Ada Chai, Myanmar
2. **US Democracy challenged: Storming of the Capitol** - Tina Rosenberg, USA

SESSION II:**BLEAK PRESENT - GREENER FUTURE**

Thursday Jun 24, 2021 at 3 PM CET

Moderator:

SRDJA POPOVIC

Millions of people have been locked down for the past year, unable to go to work, travel, or meet up with friends. One would think that the limited human footprint would help the world, but how has this inability to move really played an impact on the environment? Join us as we take a closer look at the continued deforestation of the Amazon rainforest and illegal poaching in Africa. We will explore how hindered environmental diplomacy efforts and economic fallout are affecting our world today, tomorrow, and forever through environmental movements from the EU, Philippines, Zimbabwe, and UK.

Climate Action Network International (CAN) -

Andreas Sieber, Germany

Fridays for Future -

Mitzi Jonelle Tan, Philippines

Extinction Rebellion -

Liam Geary Baulch, UK

Green Governance Zimbabwe Trust-

Nyasha Frank Mpahlo, Zimbabwe



SESSION III:**CAMPAIGNING IN A PANDEMIC AND POST-TRUTH WORLD:****How it changed over the last 18 months**

Monday Jun 28, 2021 at 3PM CET

Moderator:**BREZA RACE****Election campaigning during pandemic -**

James Fisfis, USA

Fake news and its implications for Human Right -

Peter Pomerantsev, UK

In the past year we have had to adapt to a lot of changes in our day-to-day lives and the activism landscape is no exception. As the world shut down, activists expanded their use of the internet to engage with civil societies. Activism has evolved in various ways, as some campaigns found their traction through the internet and many were built entirely online. Social Media has been utilized as a community-building tool that allows people to cultivate relationships with like-minded individuals across the globe. While social media platforms have brought many advantages in regard to engagement, we cannot ignore the threats and challenges that these platforms pose to the space of civic engagement. From the proliferation of fake news about the COVID-19 pandemic and elections, to the limits the digital space places on activism, these are challenges that must be confronted by understanding more and pushing the limits of media today.

Case study:**ME TOO MOVEMENT****DANI AYERS,**
Chief Executive Officer of Me Too

CAMPAIGNING IN A PANDEMIC AND POST-TRUTH WORLD



SESSION IV:

THE DIGITAL SPACE: Threats and Opportunities to Activists

Thursday July 01, 2021 at 3 PM CET

Moderator:

SLOBODAN DJINOVIC

Cybersecurity awareness is essential to reduce the risk activists are exposed to, especially now that the majority of their activities are online. Sophisticated phishing and other social engineering attacks allow enemies of the cause to access information about a movement's plans and actions. While social media has the ability to serve as a helpful tool to activists, the misuse of AI (artificial intelligence) and the rise of mass surveillance by governments can pose a huge challenge to activists, reinforcing government repression.

Discover what organizers and participants can do to protect their privacy, while also utilizing digital tools for activism. Cryptocurrency, such as Bitcoin, has emerged as a valuable tool for human rights defenders because it allows them to evade potential government surveillance of financial transactions. With bitcoin activists now have a reliable way to raise the funds necessary to sustain their movement.

Bitcoins as human rights tools -

Alex Gladstein, HRF, USA

Impact of Mass Surveillance on Human Rights Defenders -

Chi Dang, EFDEA, Malaysia

Staying safe and sound on the internet -

Danilo Bakovic, BAM, USA

Digital and online threats, practical exercise

THE DIGITAL SPACE:

Threats and Opportunities to Activists



LOGISTICS AND HOUSEKEEPING RULES

CANVAS Summer Academy will use **Zoom** for all four sessions.



How do you join?

Before each session you will be sent an email with the meeting information such as the date, time and name of the session. The same link will also be posted the day before each session on all of CANVAS' social media platforms:



To access the session, click on the Zoom link you will receive **on your email**



IF JOINING FROM A MOBILE DEVICE

If you are joining from a mobile device (Android smartphone/tablet, Apple iPhone/iPad) then it will simply prompt you to download the Zoom Cloud Meetings app from the App/Play Store.



IF JOINING FROM A COMPUTER

When entering a Zoom meeting for the first time from a computer you will need to download a small application file. This process is easy to complete on all commonly used browsers.

1. Google Chrome should automatically download the file and point to it as shown above. Clicking on the Zoom_launcher.exe file will install Zoom, there will be a short pause before a blue progress bar appears indicating the installation.
2. If an 'Application Launcher' or 'External Protocol Request' box appears simply tick the 'Remember my choice...' option box and then click 'OK'
3. Just before entering the meeting you will be prompted to enter a display name. This name is simply to identify you in the meeting and is not connected to your account.
4. Remember you can stay anonymous through the whole course



JOINING AUDIO VIA A COMPUTER

You will then be prompted how you wish to join your audio. If you wish to join audio via the telephone, follow the instructions further down, otherwise simply select Join Computer by Audio (*TIP: by ticking the "Automatically join audio by computer..." option box first, will mean you won't get prompted again in the future*)



JOIN VIA TELEPHONE

If you are unable to join from Zoom on a computer or mobile device, then you can join on a telephone instead.

If you would like to attend a Zoom meeting via telephone within NZ please call the NZ number (check this link for up to date numbers <https://zoom.us/zoomconference>).

Please note calls will be charged at standard national rates.

There are also many “local” dial-in numbers from many international locations. You can find more details on these [here](#).



JOIN VIA COMPUTER & AUDIO VIA TELEPHONE

It is possible to use a combination of computer for video and phone for audio.

If you use this option, then enter by computer first and select the **Join By Phone** tab when the audio pop-up window appears (see example below). This will display the NZ dial in number for you (or you can change it to display one of the many other countries which have a “local” dial in number by clicking on the flag icon), as well as the Meeting ID to enter and your Participant ID.

Dial in as noted above, however after entering the Meeting ID, you will be prompted to enter your Participant ID. Simply enter this number followed by # and your video and audio will then be synchronized.



WEBINAR CONTROLS: WINDOWS, MACOS, AND LINUX



Audio Settings



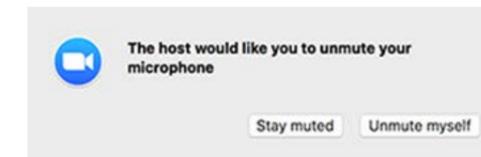
(only visible if the host hasn't granted you permission to talk):

Change your audio settings. You can also click the upward arrow (^) next to change your speaker.

Unmute/ Mute:



If the host gives you permission, you can unmute and talk during the webinar. All participants will be able to hear you. If the host allows you to talk, you will receive a notification.



* You can still access the audio settings by click on the ^ arrow next to the **Unmute/Mute button**.

Chat:



Open webinar chat, allowing you to send chat messages to the host, panelists, and attendees.

Raise Hand:

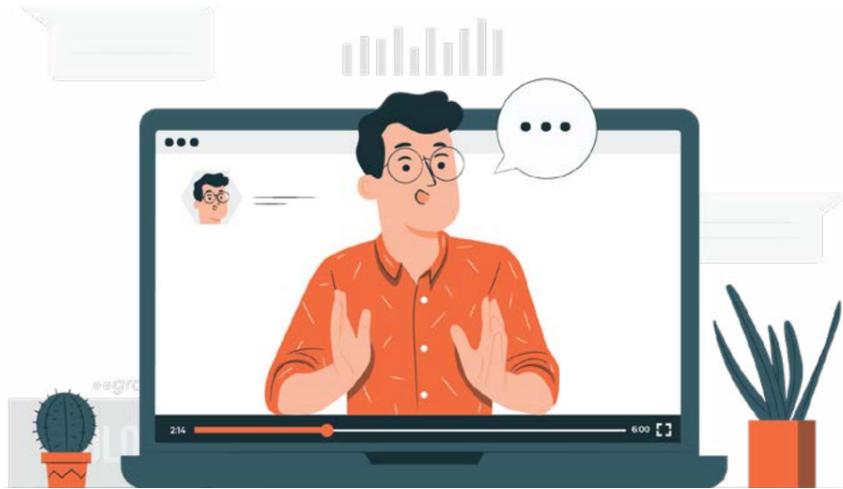


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Question & Answer

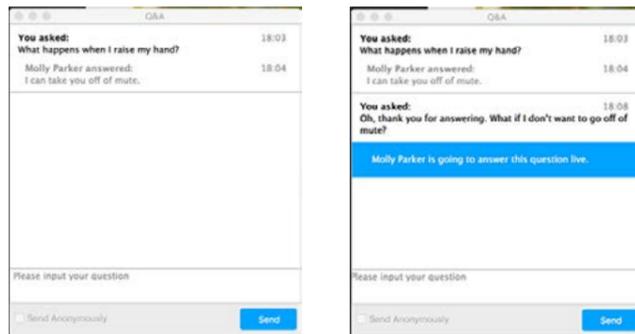


Open the Q&A window, allowing you to ask questions to the host and panelists. They can either reply back to you via text in the Q&A window or answer your question live.



TO ASK A QUESTION:

1. Type your question into the Q&A box. Click **Send**.
Note: Check **Send Anonymously** if you do not want your name attached to your question in the Q&A.
2. If the host replies via the Q&A, you will see a reply in the Q&A window.



* The host can also answer your question live (out loud). You will see a notification in the Q&A window if the host plans to do this.

As an attendee you can also like or comment on other attendee's questions. This helps the host or participant identify popular questions, especially in a webinar with many attendees.

- Click the thumbs up icon to like a comment.
Tip: The number beside the icon is the total number of likes the question has received so far.
- Click the red thumbs up icon to unlike a comment.
- Click Comment to write a reply to an existing question. Type your comment and click Send. Your comment will appear beneath the question.

WEBINAR CONTROLS: ANDROID AND IOS

Speaker icon:

Tap the speaker icon in the top-left corner to turn off your device's speaker.

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Tap for these options.

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