

IBERIFIER: Iberian Media Research & Fact-Checking

Description

IBERIFIER is an Iberian hub that aims to tackle disinformation in Spain and Portugal by bringing together a consortium of 23 partners, composed of 12 universities, 5 independent fact-checking organisations and publicly owned news agencies, and 6 leading institutions on strategic analysis, computer and data science, and media research. With support from public authorities of both countries, relevant media organisations, several scientific and professional associations, as well as some other stakeholders, the activities of this Action comprise:

- scientific research and analysis for the security and development of the Iberian digital media ecosystem;
- fact-checking in three languages (Spanish, Portuguese, and Catalan);
- computer and data research aimed at developing systems for early detection of disinformation;
- strategic analyses about the impacts of disinformation on areas such as politics, economy, social and security issues, science and technology, and the media industry; and
- development of media literacy, through a set of activities targeted mainly to young people, journalists and citizens in general.

Although the consortium focuses its activities on Spain and Portugal, its impacts are expected to reach far beyond these two countries, thus contributing to the overall strategy and goals of the European Digital Media Observatory. Thanks to the international dimension of some of the consortium partners, as well as the set of scientific, communication and dissemination activities planned, IBERIFIER aims to have impact in the socio-cultural and linguistic area that comprises all the Iberian-American region as well as some other countries in Africa and Asia, where Spanish and Portuguese languages are spoken by more than 600 million people, spread over 21 Spanish speaking and 9 Portuguese-speaking countries.

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