



## How do democracies die?

The 6<sup>th</sup> Navigating Knowledge Landscapes' Annual Conference, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2022  
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### Call for abstracts:

In the last decades, countless books, articles, and reports have speculated, or even diagnosed, deep crises of democracies throughout the world. Although it could be argued that the Covid-19 pandemic has fuelled a crisis of government, rather than a crisis of democracy, in most places, it has doubtlessly increased political polarisation and exacerbated inequalities across and within societies.

How democracies die, and what roles digital practices and technologies play in this process, stands in the centre of this one-day multidisciplinary conference. We welcome contributions that shed light on these questions in empirical and conceptual ways. We would be particularly excited about empirical studies showing the dynamics by which democratic values and processes are hollowed out in ways that involve digital tools and practices beyond the “hot topics” of fake news and misinformation.

- Participants are welcome to submit Abstracts to [natalia.kancelova@univie.ac.at](mailto:natalia.kancelova@univie.ac.at)
- Deadline for submission is January 15th 2022.
- Please insert 'The NKL Annual Conference' in the e-email's subject line.
- The proceedings of this conference will be published on the NKL webpage: <http://knowledge-landscapes.hiim.hr/>

The authors of submitted abstracts will be informed of their participation by February 15th 2022.

### Information

A more detailed schedule will be announced in due time before the conference.

Participation at the conference is free of charge, while the organisers will provide meals on the day of the event. Travel and accommodation costs will not be reimbursed.

## **The NKL Network Meeting, May 6th, 2022**

The meeting is dedicated to NKL Network members. For information about the NKL Network and list of members, please visit: <http://knowledge-landscapes.hiim.hr/>

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