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"Platform Effects: How Algorithmic Intermediaries Shape Attention to News" by Nick Diakopoulos

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## Speaker

Nicholas Diakopoulos is an Associate Professor in Communication Studies and Computer Science (by courtesy) at Northwestern University where he is Director of the Computational Journalism Lab (CJL) and Director of Graduate Studies for the Technology and Social Behavior (TSB) PhD program. He is also an Associate Professor II at the University of Bergen Department of Information Science and Media Studies and is on sabbatical as a visiting researcher at IViR during the 2022-23 academic year. He is the author of the award-winning book "Automating the News: How Algorithms are Rewriting the Media" from Harvard University Press.

## Details of the lecture

**Date: 9 December 2022**

**Time: 16.00-17.30 CET (Amsterdam)**

**Place:**

- IViR Room, REC A5.24

- online via Zoom

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Google, Twitter, TikTok, these and others are the algorithmic platforms that dominate our attention and exposure to important sources of information online. But how exactly, and to what extent, are these algorithmic feeds and interfaces shaping our collective societal attention towards different sources of information, political perspectives, dimensions of content quality, or locality?

In this talk I'll discuss the results of a series of audit studies on different platforms which shed light on the role that such algorithmic intermediaries play in mediating and influencing human attention towards the news.