

TACKLING COVID-19 DISINFORMATION: THE EUROPEAN RESPONSE

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TOP 5 RECURRING DISINFORMATION NARRATIVES ABOUT COVID-19



- 1 US CREATED IT
- 2 EU FAILS TO RESPOND
- 3 THE CORONAVIRUS IS NOT SERIOUS
- 4 IT'S A SECRET PLAN OF THE GLOBAL ELITES
- 5 THE CORONAVIRUS WAS PROBABLY MADE BY NATO

TOP 5 CONSPIRACY THEORIES

ABOUT COVID-19

- 1** A FORCED VACCINATION WILL INJECT **NANO CHIPS**
- 2** **BILL GATES** WANTS TO INTRODUCE MANDATORY VACCINATION TO CONTROL THE WORLD
- 3** COVID-19 MIGHT BE AN ACT OF **ANGLO-SAXON** REVENGE
- 4** A CANADIAN REPORT INDICTS THE **US** FOR SPREADING THE CORONAVIRUS
- 5** COVID-19 EPIDEMIC IS MANUFACTURED BY THE **MEDIA**

HARMFUL MISINFORMATION ON CORONAVIRUS



**1.7M
shares**



**117M
views**



2015: EAST STRATCOM TASK FORCE

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MANDATE



13. The European Council stressed the need to challenge Russia's ongoing disinformation campaigns and invited the High Representative, in cooperation with Member States and EU institutions, to prepare by June an action plan on strategic communication. The establishment of a communication team is a first step in this regard.

OBJECTIVES

Communicating
EU policies
effectively

Strengthening
media
environment

Exposing &
analysing
disinformation

2018: EU ACTION PLAN AGAINST DISINFORMATION

Improved detection,
analysis & exposure

Stronger cooperation &
joint responses

Mobilising private sector

Raising awareness,
improving societal
resilience

CORONAVIRUS: COVERAGE

**STAY
UP TO
DATE**



**THINK
BEFORE
YOU
SHARE**

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2020: JOINT COMMUNICATION ON TACKLING COVID-19 DISINFORMATION

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The Coronavirus pandemic has been accompanied by a massive infodemic. In today's technology-driven world, warriors wield keyboards rather than swords. Today we are stepping up action to increase our capacities, to counter misleading narratives. #FactsMatter
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#Disinformation waves have hit Europe during #Coronavirus. They harm not only the health of our democracies, but also of our citizens. To fight them, we need to mobilise all relevant players from fact-checkers, researchers to online platforms and authorities.
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