

# disinformation

**dis-in-for-ma-tion** is the use of false or misleading information with malign intent.

**misinformation** is false information without malign intent.

**propaganda** is one nation, state, or government trying to push its worldview onto other nations.

## Combatting Disinformation

- 1 There should be more transparency around advertising, and the management of pages and groups on social media platforms
- 2 The United States should invest in the sustainability of local and independent media outlets
- 3 We need to equip citizens to be able to navigate the information environment they face today through **nonpartisan civics and media literacy**

**Media Literacy** is the knowledge of all forms of communications with the ability to **ACCESS, ANALYZE, and EVALUATE**

## Implementing Regulations

- 1 There should be regulations to require **social media** platforms to undergo independent audits of their algorithms.
- 2 Regulations should be implemented to **disincentivize political campaigns** to participate in disinformation.

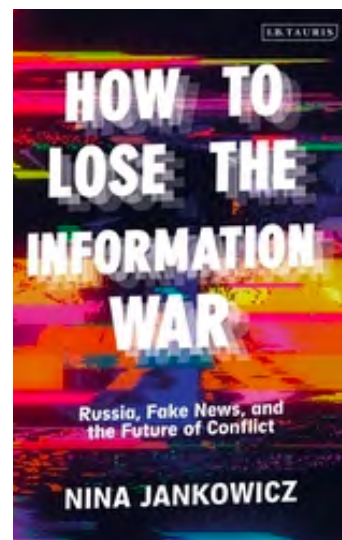


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**How to Lose the Information War** takes the reader on a journey through five governments' responses to Russian information warfare tactics - all of which have failed. Journey into the campaigns the Russian operatives run, the motivations behind these attacks, and learn how to beat them. Above all, this shows what is at stake: the future of civil discourse and democracy, and the value of truth itself.  
**More info [HERE](#)**



**Disinformation knows no political boundaries. Ultimately, the victim is democracy.**

- Nina Jankowicz  
"How to Lose the Information War"  
Need to Know Podcast Series, July 2020



## Go Deeper! Additional Resources

[Is the U.S. Losing the Information War?](#)  
Wilson Center NOW Video - Uploaded July 2020

[How an Anti-Trump Flash Mob Found Itself in the Middle of Russian Meddling](#)  
POLITICO - Published July 2020

[America is losing the information war](#)  
UnHerd - Published June 2020

**Congressional Testimony**  
[House Foreign Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs](#) "U.S. Efforts to Counter Russian Disinformation and Malign Influence"

**Senate Judiciary Committee** "[Election Interference: Ensuring Law Enforcement Is Equipped to Target Those Seeking to Do Harm](#)"

