The theme of this year’s Summit seeks to explore the intractable online information landscape of misinformation and disinformation and the compounding legal, technological, and social challenges it has thrown up in terms of developing a solution for its effective regulation that works within a rights-based framework.

12 November 2019
Sanskriti Kendra, Anandagram,
Mehrauli Gurgaon Road,
New Delhi - 110047

9:30 am – 10:00 am
Registration and Welcome Tea

10:00 am – 10:30 am
Launch of The Digital Shift by The Book Review Journal and Keynote Address

The Digital Shift is a special issue of The Book Review Journal with Osama Manzar, Founder and Director of Digital Empowerment Foundation (DEF) as the guest editor. This issue will contain expert reviews of the highly recommended books from a range of the technological issues that are impacting our lives – Artificial Intelligence, Social Media, Social Development, Blockchain Technology, Surveillance, Fintech, Innovation, Robotics, Data Protection, Gender Inequity, Big Data, and Algorithmic decision-making.

The Digital Shift will be launched by our guest keynote speaker who will deliver the keynote address that will kick-off the sessions to follow.

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
Technological Challenges, Fundamental Rights and Legal Responses

Misinformation on social media platforms have engendered policy and legal responses that question the technological architecture of social media platforms and fundamental rights thereof. This session will look comparatively across disciplinary areas in order to comprehend the challenges of each as well as across national contexts.

This session will follow a fishbowl format with the moderator initiating the conversation through lead discussants while ensuring participation of the house.

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm
Networking Tea
Media and Information Literacy by the MILEN Network

Within an intractable (mis)information landscape, media and information literacy provides an empowering tool and a strategy for individuals to make informed and critical choices while instituting resilience within society as a whole.

The Media and Information Literacy Expert Network (MILEN) is a global network of experts that advocated for MIL at a policy level works towards promoting civic participation through MIL tools and strategies.

This session is envisioned as a simulation exercise with role playing to understand role and impact of different stakeholders within MIL practice and its potential and opportunities.

Practice Experience and Learnings by Stakeholders Groups

The current information ecosystem involves a range of different stakeholders from social media companies to local law enforcement to regulatory bodies and civil society organisation who are faced with their constituent challenges when confronted with this issue.

In this session, participants will be divided into stakeholder groups by social media companies, civil society organisations, law enforcement, and government to facilitate inter and intra-group discussion to understand stakeholder priorities and challenges and to foster inter-stakeholder dialogue.

Recommendations and the Way Forward

This will be a moderated open house discussion tying in the three facets of the issue discussed in the previous three sessions and determining a way forward.

Launch of DEF’s Misinformation Report and Closing Remarks

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