



SPEAKERS

DISCUSSION: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF AI



Ms. Emilija Gagrčin studied Media and Political Communication at the Free University of Berlin and Universidade Nova de Lisboa. Currently, she is doctoral candidate at the Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society. Her project is exploring how digitalisation and datafication are changing the way citizens perceive and exercise their role in democracy. Outside of academia, she has been engaged as a peer educator in the field of intercultural learning and education for democratic citizenship. Since 2018, she has served as a member of the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe, where she is entrusted with the topics of internet governance

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