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TRUST AND POWER: AI IS A HARSH MISTRESS

A conference exploring the intersection of policy, ecology, and AI technology.

21-22 November 2025

Venue: Prostor Miljenko Dereta, 2nd floor, Dobracina 55, Belgrade, Serbia

DAY 1 - Friday, 21 November 2025

10:30 – 11:00 | Registration & Welcome Coffee - Check in, collect your badge, and enjoy a light morning coffee while networking.

11:00 – 11:15 | Opening Remarks & Program Overview - Welcome by the organizers and introduction to this year's theme and hackathon format.

11:15 – 11:45 | From Plato's Cave to the Algorithms - Reshaping Power, Policy and Global Relations, Marianthe Stavridou, strategic leader and ethics expert, public speaker, and consultant.

11:45 – 12:15 | Leveraging Open-Source AI for Scalable Implementation with Limited Resources, Urs Gehrig, AI integration expert, Lighthouse Consulting

12:15 – 12:30 |AI Global Dialogue, Andrijana Gavrilović, Head of Diplomatic Reporting at DIPLO Foundation

12:30 – 14:00 | Lunch Break - Buffet lunch served in the foyer

14:00 - 14:20 | AI: Consuming or Saving Energy? Challenges and practical approaches to environmentally sustainable use of AI Systems, Jari Arkko, Internet and AI Technology Researcher

14:20 - 14:40 | AI in Serbia, Strategy, Milestones, and the Road Ahead, Slobodan Marković, Digital Advisor at UNDP

14:40 - 15:30 | Workshop 1: AI Is a Harsh Mistress - A critical look at the promises and perils of autonomous decision-making systems.

15:30 – 15:45 | Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:30 | A Privacy Nightmare - investigating and understanding spyware Share Foundation team, Andrijana Ristic, Tijana Stevanovic, Filip Milosevic

17:00 - 17:30 | WALK TO THE NEW VENUE - European House, Corner of Kneza Mihaila and Zmaj Jovina street, Belgrade

18:00 – 20:10 | Serbian Premiere: "How to Build a Truth Engine" - screening, followed by a panel discussion with the author

DAY 2 - Saturday, 22 November 2025

12:30 - 13:30 | Off-topic guest presentation: Testimony of Brutality, Olivia Solis and Stevan Kojić

13:30 – 14:00 | Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30 | Workshop 2 - Make Your Own Klimerko. This is a workshop for a maximum of 7 people who would like to assemble their own Klimerko. Participants will be provided with the kits.

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