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Fake News Worlds – Can Citizenship Education burst (the) bubbles?

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Abstract

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Markets of Attention and Manipulation

The digitization poses a threat to democracy. Misinformation and manipulation impair self-determination and autonomy – individually and collectively. The digital revolution has created a media landscape, where attention trumps truth, as well as an information market where user data makes targeted manipulation possible at a new level.

To counteract these tendencies, we must understand the mechanisms and structures driving them:

- How do market conditions, technology, media culture and human psychology and social psychology interact?
- How may civil education contribute in shaping resilience?

