

Workshop II - 'Linking Digital Footprint and Survey Data for Open Research'
13-14th January 2026

Day 1 – Tuesday 13th January

Hanson Room, Ground Floor, Humanities Bridgeford Street Building (Building 35 on [campus map](#))

12.30 – 13.15	Arrival Lunch
13.15 – 13.30	Welcome and introductions
13.30 – 14.00	Session 1: Update on the DIGISURVOR project UoM team - Rachel, Marta, Alex, Riza and Conor
14.00 – 15.00	Session 2: Keynote talk <i>"Linking Survey and Social Media Data: Bridging the Gap Between Data Protection and Open Research"</i> Presentation UoM team and group exercise
15.00 - 15.15	Coffee break
15.15 – 16.30	Session 3: Detecting and correcting bias in linked data sources Chair: Marta Cantijoch Paulina Pankowska (University of Utrecht) and Ruben Bach (University of Mannheim) <i>"The gendered division of cognitive household labor and mental load in the digital space"</i> Sarah Shugars (Rutgers University) <i>"The speech we miss: How keyword-based data collection obscures youth participation in online political discourse"</i> Conor Gaughan and Alex Cernat (University of Manchester) <i>"Who consents to sharing their tweets with researchers? A comparative analysis of selection bias in linked survey and social media data."</i>
16.30 - 17.30	Session 4: Roundtable Discussion: Researcher Access to DTD - Future Prospects, Opportunities and Challenges Chair: Rachel Gibson Kate Dommert (University of Sheffield) Co-Chair UKRI Social Platforms Data Access Taskforce Veronica Guzman Quilaqueo (UKRI, Senior Strategy and Partnerships Manager SDRUK) Andreu Casas (Royal Holloway, University of London) Director, London Social Media Observatory
17.30 – 19.00	Free time / hotel check ins
From 19.00	Workshop dinner – Tai Wu Manchester Chinese Restaurant 81-97 Upper Brook St

Day 2 – Wednesday 14th January

Venue: Room 3.009 Alliance Manchester Business School (Building 29 on [campus map](#))

09.30 – 11.00	Session 1: Using Linked DTD News Consumption Chair: Alex Cernat Andreu Casas et al. (Royal Holloway, University of London) <i>“Comparing Misinformation Inoculation Interventions: Fact Checking, Media Literacy, and High-Quality News Boost”</i> Sílvia Majó-Vázquez et al. (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) <i>“Measuring Online News Audience Fragmentation and Ideological Segregation Across Countries Time and Media Systems”</i> Marta Cantijoch and Conor Gaughan (University of Manchester) <i>“Content-Based Classification of URL Domains by Large Language Models”</i> Jonathan Nagler (NYU) <i>“Simple Aggregates from Digital Trace Data Donations to Merge with Survey Data and Examine Cross-Platform Media Consumption”</i>
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 12.15	Session 2: Designing Software & Tools to collect and analyse DTD Chair: Conor Gaughan Diana Maynard (University of Sheffield) <i>“Visualising Toxicity: Interactive Dashboards for Social Media Abuse Monitoring”</i> Riza Batista-Navarro and Thomas Flavel: <i>“Social Media Mining in KNIME: Democratising Access to Libraries for Text Analysis (DELTA)”</i>
12.15– 13.15	Lunch
13.15 – 14.30	Session 3: Developments in Infrastructure to support DTD donation and linkage Chair: Riza Batista-Navarro David Zendle and Faye Chivers (University of York) <i>“The Smart Data Donation Service: Year 1 of a New Piece of National Research Infrastructure”</i> Bella Struminskaya (Utrecht University) <i>“Building sustainable software-centered research infrastructures to support digital data collection”</i> Steve McEachern and John Sanderson (UK Data Service) <i>“Digital trace data management in the UK - legal, technical and practical considerations”</i>
14.30-14.45	Coffee break
14.45 – 15.30	Session 4: Practitioners Chair: Rachel Gibson Toby Crisp (Ipsos) <i>“New Developments in the IRIS panel”</i> Adam McDonnell Abigail Axel-Browne (YouGov) <i>“A New Capability - YouGov Behavioural”</i>
15.30 – 15.45	Closing Comments