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### **EDUCATION**

# Max Planck Institute for Human Development Ph.D. in Psychology Dissertation Co-Advisors: Ralph Hertwig, Stefan Herzog University of Pennsylvania Master of Behavioral and Decision Sciences Trinity College Dublin M.Sc. in Marketing, with distinction Provadis School of International Management and Technology Expected 2023 2019 2019 2018

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

B.A. in Business Administration

Judgment and Decision Making, Misinformation, Metacognition, Evidence-Based Public Policy

# WORKING PAPERS

Lorenz-Spreen, P.\*, **Geers, M.**, Pachur, T., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M.\* (2020, November 19). A simple self-reflection intervention boosts the detection of targeted advertising. https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/ea28z \*denotes equal contribution

# SELECTED RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

**Geers, M.**, Lorenz-Spreen, P., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. The accuracy of people's confidence in discerning true from false news.

Tump, A.N., Lorenz-Spreen, P., **Geers, M.**, Herzog, S.M., Kurvers, R.H.J.M. The role of response biases and time pressure on false news identification.

Representative design in behavioral research on misinformation. With R. Hertwig, S.M. Herzog, A. Kozyreva, and S. Lewandowsky.

Motives for sharing information on social media. With R. Hertwig, S.M. Herzog, A. Kozyreva, and P. Lorenz-Spreen.

### GRANTS AND AWARDS

Ph.D. Fellowship of the International Max Planck Research School on the Life Course, 2020-2023 Trinity Business School Scholarship (€1,000), 2017

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Geers, M., Lorenz-Spreen, P., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. (2021, forthcoming). *The accuracy of people's confidence in discerning true from false news*. Short talk presented at the 63rd Tagung experimental arbeitender Psychologen [Conference of Experimental Psychologists], Mar; Virtual.

Lorenz-Spreen, P., Geers, M., Pachur, T., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. (2021, forthcoming). *Boosting the detection of microtargeted advertising*. Paper presented at the PERITIA International Conference: Trust in Expertise in a Changing Media Landscape, Mar; Virtual.

Lorenz-Spreen, P., Geers, M., Pachur, T., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. (2020). *Boosting the detection of microtargeted advertising*. Poster presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Dec; Virtual.

Lorenz-Spreen, P., Geers, M., Pachur, T., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. (2020). *Boosting the detection of microtargeted advertising*. Poster presented at the 61st Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Nov; Virtual.

### SUMMER SCHOOLS

# Summer Institute on Bounded Rationality

2019

Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin, DE

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-Organizer, Student Reading Group: Online Decision Making (biweekly); Center for Adaptive Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development; Oct 2020-Present.

Organizer, ARC Scientific Meeting (weekly seminar series); Center for Adaptive Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development; Aug 2020-Present.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

European Association for Decision Making

Psychonomic Society

Society for Judgment and Decision Making

Society for Personality and Social Psychology

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE PRIOR TO PHD

Intern Max Planck Institute for Human Development (Ralph Hertwig, Stefan Herzog), 2019

**R.A.** University of Pennsylvania (Barbara Mellers), 2018-2019

**R.A.** Trinity College Dublin (Kristian Myrseth), 2017-2018