## Key themes in digital disconnection research: Authenticity, wellness, datafication and power

## ICA Pre-conference 2023, May 25, 9:00-17:00, Victoria University – University of Toronto

Northrop Frye Hall, 73 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, ON M5S 1K7 Rooms NF 113 and NF 119

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## PROGRAMME

Time	Room	Activity		
0830	NF113	Opening of the Conference room: Coffee & registration		
0900	NF113	Opening of the Preconference:	Victoria Andelsman	
		Welcome and introduction.	Tero Karppi	
0920-1045	NF113	Plenary session: Authenticity	Chair: Trine Syvertsen	
		Gunn Enli (U of Oslo), What is Authenticit	y in Digital Disconnection Studies?	
		Joanna Strycharz, Minh Hao Nguyen (U o Minnesota), Change in Media Use in th and Consequences Malene Hornstrup Jespersen (U of Copen protocol for (auto)ethnographic reseau attentional practices Torbjörn Rolandsson (Stockholm U), Alica punk get? Zeena Feldman (King's College London), L the Smartphone Age	he Digital Age: Constructs, Causes, hagen), Fieldwork in the Silence: A rch on digital detoxing and meta- nn Koc (McGill U), How online can a	
1045-1100	)	BREAK		
1100-1200	NF113	Parallel session A: Power	Chair: Anne Kaun	
		<ul> <li>Kiran Kappeler, Noemi Festic, Michael Latzer (U of Zurich), Dataveillance as a Reason for Disconnecting</li> <li>Benjamin Litherland (U of Huddersfield), Disillusionment, distancing, and disengagement: Jeremy Corbyn Fans and their responses to the 2019 General Election defeat</li> <li>Miriana Cascone (Södertörn U), Places of deprivation: detention centers and the forced disconnection from the media and public life</li> </ul>		
	NF119	Parallel session B: Materialities	Chair: Ana Jorge	
		Veysel Bozan, Emiliano Treré (Cardiff inequalities and digital disconnection: disconnection in rural Turkey		

		lorge (Lusófona U), Emerging norms for		
		disconnection: The power of place Katie Day Good (Miami U), Who Gets to be 'Screen Free'? Exploring a		
1200 1200	Disconnection Divide in U.S. K-12	Public and Private Schools		
1200-1300	LUNCH (served on location)			
1300-1400 NF113		Chair: Tero Karppi		
	<ul> <li>Francesca Ieracitano, Francesca Comunello (Sapienza U of Rome), Gender differences in digital disconnection experiences: disclosing hidden forms of unbalanced power through smartphone deprivation</li> <li>Karoliina Talvitie-Lamberg, Leena Ripatti-Torniainen (U of Jyväskylä), Media refusers: the participation and agency of social media non-users in the public realm</li> <li>Victoria A. E. Kratel, Nina Altmaier, Nils S. Borchers, Guido Zurstiege (U of Tübingen), Being online is bad, being offline is worse: A qualitative study of</li> </ul>			
	35 media users trying to navigate the impossible Diana Bossio (Swinburne U), Valerie Belair-Gagnon (U of Minnesota), A Holton (U of Utah), Logan Molyneux (Temple U), Balancing digital wellbeing and living online: Social media strategies for connection and disconnection in journalism			
1400-1415	BREAK			
1415-1450 NF113	Networking session	Facilitators: Mariek Vanden Abeele, Sara Van Bruyssel, Tom De Leyn, Bert Verhulst (Ghent U)		
1450-1500	COFFEE AND TEA			
1500-1600 NF113	Parallel session D: Platforms	Chair: Stine Lomborg		
	<ul> <li>Ludmila Lupinacci (U of Sussex), "BeReal won't make you waste time": Liveness and the temporalities of disconnection</li> <li>Christian Schwarzenegger (U of Bremen), Emiliano Treré (Cardiff U), "Find me on Mastodon!": The politics, aesthetics, and genre of (not) disconnecting from Twitter</li> <li>Anamarija Šiša (U of of Ljubljana), The ghosts of contemporary dating life: Conceptualizing disconnection on mobile dating apps</li> <li>Artur de Matos Alves (Téluq U), Ana Jorge (Lusófona U), Wellness and power in the "digital commute": reshaping affect and productivity in Microsoft Teams</li> </ul>			
NF119		Chair: Victoria Andelsman		
	Ineffective: A South African Stude Digital Disconnection Mariek M. P. Vanden Abeele, Ste Kyle Van Gaeveren, Sara Van Bru Digitally Disconnecting Improve W Exploring Momentary and Lagge Smartphone Use, Affect and Well Morgan Quinn Ross (The Ohio St U Mainz), Julius Klingelhoefer (FA (Northwestern U), Lise-Marie Nat (Ghent U), Alice Verlinden (KU Le	-		

1600-1610	BREAK	
1610-1640	Roundtable	Tero Karppi, Stine Lomborg, Gunn Enli
1640-1700	Goodbyes	