

Media Democracy Festival 2018:

FAKING IT, BREAKING IT, RE-MAKING IT - What's wrong with our media and how to fix it

10-5, 17th March, Birkbeck, Main building, 25-27 Torrington Square, London WC1E 7JL

10:00-10:30 - room B36 Lecture Theatre

Registration

10:30-11:30 - room B36 Lecture Theatre

"We all know nothing" - Media after Grenfell and Trump

Keynote address. **Dawn Foster** (Guardian) (Chair: **Natalie Fenton**, MRC)

11:30-11:45

Break

11:45-13:00 - room B36 Lecture Theatre

PANEL 1: *What's wrong with the media?*

Anamik Saha (Goldsmiths), **David Miller** (Spinwatch), **Rachel Shabi** (Guardian), **Matt Zarb-Cousin** (former Corbyn spokesman) (Chair: **Becky Gardiner**, Goldsmiths)

13:00-14:00

Lunch

****Meeting led by The Media Fund on the first Independent Media Awards - B36****

14:00-15:15 - room MAL 254

PANEL 2: *Policy, plurality and press regulation*

Leo Watkins (OpenDemocracy), **Alaphia Zoyab** (Avaaz), **David Leigh** (Impress), **Angela Phillips** (Goldsmiths), **Brian Cathcart** (Hacked Off founder) (Chair: **Justin Schlosberg**, MRC)

14:00-15:15 - room MAL 255

PANEL 3: *What's wrong with advertising?*

Roz Hardie (Object), **Sasha Rakoff** (Not Buying It), **Richard Wilson** (Stop Funding Hate), **James Cusick** (OpenDemocracy) (Chair: **Jonathan Hardy**, CPBF)

15:15-16:30 - room MAL 254

PANEL 4: *New news - the rise of alternative media*

Aaron Bastani (Novara), **Kerry-Anne Mendoza** (The Canary), **Peter Jukes** (Byline); **Vanessa Baird** (New Internationalist), **Thomas Barlow** (Media Fund) (Chair: **Ann Field**, CPBF)

15:15-16:30 - room MAL 255

PANEL 5: *Old news - democratising the broadcast media*

Tom Mills (CCISC, Aston University), **Gary Merrill** (Roehampton University), **Riaz Meer** (BECTU), **Kam Sandhu** (Real Media), **Joanna Ramiro** (ex Russia Today), (Chair: **Des Freedman**, MRC)

16:30-17:00 – room B36 Lecture Theatre

Closing panel - *Media Democracy NOW! Organising for media change*

Owen Jones (Guardian), **Joe Todd** (Momentum), **Sarah Kavanagh** (NUJ) (Chair: **Natalie Fenton**)