The 4th IEEE Digital Platforms and Societal Harms (2024 DPSH) will take place Oct. 14 – 15, 2024 at American University, Washington DC, USA. This conference facilitates discussions and collaborations among researchers and practitioners addressing today’s massive propagation of harmful information on digital platforms, including hate speech, discrimination, violent extremism, child sexual abuse, disinformation and misinformation. In addition to research papers for presentation and publication in the proceedings, abstract only (non-publication) presentations on relevant initiatives in government, civil society, and academia are welcome. Presentations may be made in-person or remotely online.

Interesting topics include but are not limited to:

- Law and public policy, such as Approaches to harm minimisation; Trade offs between competing legal and policy incentives; Global trends in government responses & intervention to social harms; Human behavior and emotional regulation; Public-private cooperation to address social harms
- Tech/private sector policy and governance, such as Development of corporate policies and safety by design; Responsible tech governance, management and oversight; Corporate governance structure design; Protection, ranging from whistleblower protection to protection of designs as project progress; Balance competing policy incentives (free speech and harm minimisation); Transparency
- Information aspects, such as Definitions of information trustworthiness, authenticity, integrity and credibility; Information quality and content moderation; Boundaries of journalistic behavior online; Suitability of news content from journalistic entities to surface ground truth
- User aspects and psychological features, such as Definitions and analysis of online authentic behavior; Human behavior analysis; Cognitive tagging; Trust mechanisms; Moral foundations & ethical frameworks; Evolutionary features of online hate speech and disinformation; Hatred basis against various religious and ethnic groups; Human performance against DeepFake media; User views on government or corporate approaches to mitigating harms; User reporting mechanisms design; User safety
- AI and digital harms, such as Ethical, Explainable and Sustainable AI; Algorithmic bias and discrimination; New datasets and evaluation methodologies; New approaches for ground truth labeling; DeepFake media generation or detection; AI chatbots as information assistant or opinion influencer; Open-source toolkits, Serverless AI Applications
- Media propagation aspects, such as Propagation mechanism; Propagation and authenticity; Conspiracies, disinformation and propaganda; Regional and local media; Media fragmentation and changing patterns of media consumption and usage; Risks and opportunities of new media usage; Media representation, inequalities, and minorities; Media and information warfare

**Deadlines have been extended to:**

- Full paper submission: June 26, 2024
- Abstract submission (for presentations without a full paper): July 31, 2024
- Acceptance notification: August 19, 2024
- Camera Ready Manuscript: September 15, 2024

Sponsorship opportunities (open to corporate, government, and civil society) close August 9, 2024. See website for details.