



## Promoting trust in science to counter misinformation

*(Communicating science evidence beyond the pandemic)*

Friday 20 May 2022, 11:30-14:30, EPLO Madrid, Sala Europa [#ScienceMediaDays](#)

### Organisers

#### European Science-Media Hub

The European Science Media Hub (ESMH) was launched in 2018 by the European Parliament's Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), to facilitate the exchange of information between researchers, policy-makers and the media. The ESMH would like to support and empower journalists in their work of reporting on topics related to science and new technology by providing better access to trustworthy sources, workshops and training sessions.

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### Speakers



**Lina Gálvez Muñoz** is a Member of the European Parliament since July 2019. In the EP, she is Vice-chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and member of the Women's Rights and Gender Equality Committee and of the Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA). She also belongs to the committees on Employment and Social Affairs.

Lina Gálvez Muñoz PhD, European University Institute (Florence) is Economic History and Institutions Full Professor at the Economics Department at Pablo Olavide University (Seville). She has also been professor at the Universities of Reading (Reading), Carlos III (Madrid), and as a visiting professor at Centre for time use research at Oxford University (United Kingdom). She has more than hundred scientific publications and she has also been Vice-Rector of her university from 2007 to 2012 and served as Regional Minister of Knowledge, Research and University of the Government of Andalusia from 2018 to 2019.



**María Andrés Marín** is the Director of the Office of the European Parliament in Spain. A journalist by training, María Andrés has worked in several media outlets before becoming a European civil servant in 2003. Since then, she has worked in the European Parliament as press officer, spokesperson and now director of the Office that represents that institution in Spain. She will be replaced by her Head of Press Damian Castaño Martin.

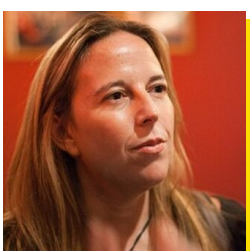


**Vitalba Crivello** is a Science Policy and Science Communication expert working with enthusiasm at the European Science-Media Hub. With a background in International Political Economy & Political Communication, she has been working in Brussels since 2005, covering different Policy, Project and Communication roles within the EU Institutions and in consultancies, with a focus on Research and Innovation Policy.



**Cary Funk** is director of science and society research at Pew Research Center, where she leads the Center's efforts to understand the implications of science for society. Center studies look at the social, ethical and policy implications of scientific developments in areas such as climate and energy, emerging issues in genetic engineering, and food and space science. She has authored or co-authored a number of reports focused on public trust in science, scientific experts and science news and information.

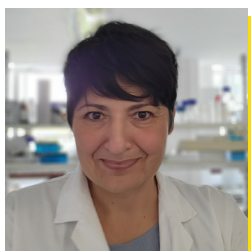
Funk has a broad expertise in public opinion research and has specialised in public understanding of science topics for nearly two decades. Prior to joining Pew Research Center, she directed the Virginia Commonwealth University Life Sciences Surveys, national surveys on science and biotechnology. Funk began her career at CBS News in New York working on pre-election polling and analysis of exit polls. She earned a doctorate and a master's in social psychology from the University of California, Los Angeles.



**Patricia Fernández de Lis** is a science and technology journalist. She worked for more than 10 years as an editor for EL PAÍS, on issues related to new technologies and the internet. In 2007, she joined the founding team of the newspaper 'Público' as chief editor of the Science section, which became one of the largest in the European press.

In 2012, she founded the news website [MATERIA](#), with the aspiration of becoming the reference in information on science, technology, health and the environment in Spanish. In September 2014, MATERIA is associated with EL PAÍS, and Patricia was appointed editor-in-chief of Science. Patricia has given lectures and workshops on science, journalism and dissemination all over the world.

In 2011 she won the Mario Bohoslavsky award for her contribution to the fight against pseudoscience. In 2019 she received the Concha García Campoy Journalistic Award from the TV Academy "for her brilliant career as a Science and Technology journalist". Patricia is a member of the ONGAWA Advisory Council.



**Sonia Contera** is a physicist and nanotechnologist, Professor of Biological Physics at the Department of Physics at the University of Oxford, where she is also the Vice Dean. She obtained a degree in Physics from the Autonomous University of Madrid, and she obtained her doctorate from the School of Engineering of the University of Osaka. She was director and founder of the Oxford Martin Institute of Nanoscience for Medicine, a member of the World Economic Forum (WEF) Global Nanotechnology Agenda Council, and director of the scanning probe microscopy section at the Royal Microscopical Society in the UK. He is a Senior Fellow at Green Templeton College and Oxford Martin School.

Sonia contributes to the public debate on social and philosophical aspects of physics and nanotechnology. She is the author of the book "Nano comes to life: how Nanotechnology is transforming medicine and the future of biology" (Princeton University Press 2019 and 2021).



**Pampa García Molina** is a science journalist with a master's degree in Theoretical Physics and a master's degree in Science Journalism from the Carlos III University of Madrid. Since 2011 she has been working at FECYT (Fundación Española para la Ciencia y la Tecnología) as editor-in-chief of SINC, the first state-wide public agency specialising in information on science, technology and innovation in Spanish. In 2022 she launched the Science Media Centre Spain.

She teaches specialised training in science journalism and science aimed at both journalists and the research community. She is part of the board of the Spanish Association of Science Communication.

Previously, she worked as editor and freelance collaborator for various media, and co-author of popular science books for adults and children.



**Michele Catanzaro** is a journalist based in Barcelona, Spain. He has PhD in Physics and has worked since 2001 as a freelance, writing mainly about science, for outlets like El Periódico, Nature, and others in Spain, the UK, the US, Germany, and Italy. He is co-author of the book "Networks: A Very Short Introduction" (Oxford University Press, 2012) and of the documentary "Fast Track Injustice: The Óscar Sánchez Case" (2014), that received the Golden Nymph Award in 2015.

His work has been recognized by the following awards: King of Spain International Journalism Prize; European Science Writer of the Year 2016; the BBVA Innovadata; Prisma; Colombine; and Holtzbrink. He teaches science journalism at the Autonomous University of Barcelona. He coordinates the PerCientEx project on excellence in science journalism in Spanish. He has been Journalist in Residence at the Heidelberg Institute for Theoretical Studies.