



Institute of Public Affairs and Friedrich Ebert Foundation invite to a debate

# Manipulation/Disinformation/ Mystification How to fight Russian propaganda in Europe?

# 24th March 2017 (Friday), 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

### Zielna Conference Centre, Europa room, 37 Zielna St., Warsaw

# REGISTRATION

Troll factories, Russian-language media and little green men. Russian propaganda machinery is working on full speed, creating a virtual reality. Results are impressive: the propaganda created parallel versions of what happened during Euromajdan (fascists took power in Ukraine), of the conflict in Donbas (internal Ukrainian conflict) and the war in Syria (Americans support ISIS to get rid of president Asad).

The next aim is to politically destabilise the West. Attempts to influence the US presidential elections were confirmed by the CIA. One can expect next such attempts during elections in France and Germany this year.

Warnings against Kremlin activities were raised in the special resolution of the European Parliament. So, how should the EU respond to the Russian campaign of disinformation, inducing a sense of danger and uncertainty and causing divisions in the EU?

Let's discuss another question about Europe!

#### Marathon of ideas

Łukasz Wenerski (Institute of Public Affairs) – about the main topics of Russian propaganda in Poland Mateusz Bajek (Global.Lab) – about Russian 'troll factories'

Panel discussion

Grigorij Mesežnikov, Institute for Public Affairs, Bratislava Anton Shekhovtsov, Human Sciences Institute, Vienna, author of anton-shekhovtsov.blogspot.com Anastasia Sergeeva, freerussia.eu Moderation: Agnieszka Lichnerowicz, TOK FM

The debate will be organised in Polish and English. Simultaneous translation will be provided.

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