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Title of the program/project name

Dangerous speech project

Level of dissemination

International

Short Summary (important points)

We study dangerous speech and ways to counteract it.

People don't commit violence against other groups - or even condone it - spontaneously. First they must be taught to see other people as pests, vermin, aliens, or threats. Malicious leaders often use the same types of rhetoric to do this, in myriad cultures, languages, countries, and historical periods. We call this Dangerous Speech. Violence might be prevented by making it less abundant or less convincing. We work to find the best ways to do this – while protecting freedom of expression.

Countries involved

Kenya, Nigeria, South Sudan, India, Pakistan, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, and the Czech Republic

Duration of the project

Since 2011 the DSP has also been in touch with Facebook, Twitter, Google and other Internet companies as an unpaid advisor, providing ideas for diminishing DS and other harmful content online while protecting freedom of speech.

The website (if it exists):

https://dangerousspeech.org/ https://dangerousspeech.org/faq/