

Invitation to the Summer School of Democratic Media 2025

We are very glad to invite you to the First Summer School of Democratic Media, where we will explore the critical role of media in the ongoing battle for hearts and minds. As we confront the challenges posed by the capitalist media industry and the rise of manipulation and propaganda, this school aims to empower us to take back the narrative by organizing democratic media from the ground up. Together, we will discuss strategies for countering capitalist media, using digital tools for democratization, and fostering social movements that envision a radical alternative. Deepening our connection, learning together and forging common perspectives in the field of democratic communication is necessary for our common quest for truth. A path full of challenges and opportunities that we can walk together.

Event Details:

Date: 24.-31.08.2025

Location: Alba, Piemonte, Italy

Arrival Time: 16:00 (4 p.m.) – Departure Time: 15:00 (3 p.m.)

Rough Program:

Throughout the week, we will engage in a variety of strategic discussions, skill-share workshops, and inspiring exchange between each other.

In addition to skill-building activities, we will have the chance to exchange each others practice and receive valuable feedback on our work. More over we want to discuss our understanding of free democratic media in 21st more deeply and elaborate on our further collaboration as network of democratic media and on new joint projects. Whether you're looking to refine your craft or exchange with comrades and colleagues, this summer school will be a place to ignite motivation and expand our horizons.

A detailed program will be developed soon and shared with you. We are very happy about suggestions and proposals.

Participation:

This school is open to all participants of the Democratic Media Workshop in Vienna. In case their will be free space we may extend the invitation to broader circles of media projects.

We suggest a contribution of 70 € per text to cover the costs of the house, food, gasol and any materials.

Registration:

Spaces are limited (50 person), so please register by latest 20 June. We've prepared a registration form, that you find here:

<https://cryptpad.fr/form/#/2/form/view/KOC15lO2mm24YRPeehKo7h3Ps1lv7+eOlCH6706YCf4/>

After registration you'll receive all details concerning transport, logistics etc. as well.

For more information contact us at: de.media@proton.me

We can't wait to see you there!

Preparatory committee

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