Seminar of digital democracy · session #7

How are you doing?

...and your projects?

Programme

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Session	Theme	Date	Place
✅ ~~Session #1~~	**Introduction**	22 September 14:00	LECL80
✅ ~~Session #2~~	**Social media politics**	13 October 14:00	LECL80
✅ ~~Session #3~~	**Algorithms and filter bubbles**	27 October 14:00	LECL80
✅ ~~Session #4~~	**Digital divide and online tools to shape political opinions**	10 November 14:00	LECL80
✅ ~~Session #5~~	**Civic tech and the digitalization of citizen participation**	24 November 14:00	LECL80
✅ ~~Session #6~~	**Internet privacy and data collection**	8 December 14:00	LECL80
👉 Session #7	**Blockchain, web3 and decentralized governance**	22 December 14:00	LECL80

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Today's programme

– Individual projects: work session

– Blockchain, web3 and decentralized governance: discussion

Individual projects
— *Collective work session*

Evaluation criteria grid

#	Part	Criteria	Description	Marks
A	**Course dynamics**			**6**
A1		*attendance*	You attended and actively took part in all sessions.	3
A2		*resources shared and contributions*	You shared at least 3 resources for each session.	3

Evaluation criteria grid

#	Part	Criteria	Description	Marks
B	**Individual case study**			**14**
B1	→ content			9
B1a		*depth of the analysis*	Your case study reflects a deep understanding and a mature analysis of the topic.	1
B1b		*critical thinking*	Your content shows your ability to be a critical thinker who knows how to be nuanced and bring valid arguments.	1
B1c		*richness of the content*	Your case study covers various aspects of the topic, nothing is left behind or the limitations are well explained.	2
B1d		*structuration of the content*	Your project is clearly organized for easy reading / viewing / using / listening.	2
B1e		*conceptual clarity*	All concepts addressed through the project are clearly presented.	1
B1f		*collection and use of original or relevant data*	You gathered relevant data to address your topic.	1
B1g		*quality of the bibliography*	You gathered relevant knowledge to address your topic.	1

Evaluation criteria grid

#	Part	Criteria	Description	Marks
B2	→ format			5
B2a		*rigorous presentation of ideas*	Your ideas are clearly presented, you use the right words in the right context and in the right order.	*1*
B2b		*style*	Your writing is clear, precise, concise, and makes your content understandable.	*1*
B2c		*formatting rules (text, citations, biliography...)*	Your content respects the usual academic formatting rules.	*1*
B2d		*spelling, syntax, writing quality*	Your content does not contain any spelling or grammatical errors.	*1*
B2e		*format relevance*	The format chosen is relevant to the content of the project.	*1*
TOTAL	**20**			

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"Blockchain, web3 and decentralized governance"

— *Discussion*

Topics

Questions for debate

– Who has invested in cryptocurrency? Who is following what is happening in the cryptogame?

– What is a blockchain? What is it used for?

– What is the web3?

– What does decentralized governance mean?

– Who governs?

– What are the democratic challenges of the web3?

– How to keep everyone onboard?

– What connections can you make between cryptocurrencies and 'local currencies'?

– Does blockchain technology lead to a world of pseudonymity? How do you keep the connection between real people and public keys?

– What can we learn from blockchain governance for 'state' / society governance?

– What's next for web3?

– How do you see things in 5-10 years regarding blockchain technology and how societies are governed?

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Interesting resources

– The Satoshi Mystery - Sciences | ARTE in English

– Meet Santiago Siri, the Man With a Radical Plan for Blockchain Voting | WIRED

– Why the Blockchain Could Transform the Face of Digital Democracy

– GitHub - DemocracyEarth/paper: On self sovereign human identity.

– Who Watches the Watchmen? A Review of Subjective Approaches for Sybil-resistance in Proof of Personhood Protocols

"The best weapon of dictatorship is secrecy; the best weapon of a democracy should be the weapon of openness."
— Niels Bohr

Enjoy the holiday season! 🎄 ✨