The Role of Violent Conspiratorial Narratives in Violent and Non-Violent Extreme Right Manifestos Online, 2015-2020 By Dr William Allchorn, Dr Andreas Dafnos and Francesca Gentile



The aim of this GNET report is to add additional empirical evidence and analysis that elaborates and elucidates the difference between violent and non-violent manifestos when it comes to conspiratorial and violent language.

Using in-depth qualitative content analysis of these manifestos in conjunction with text-mining techniques in order to perform a systematic quantitative analysis of key terms therein, the report finds:



CONSPIRATORIAL NARRATIVES

The common denominator in all violent and non-violent extreme right manifestos surveyed is the conspiratorial narrative that the white race is becoming extinct and being replaced by non-whites.

LINGUISTIC DIFFERENCES

There are considerable differences within the RWLA manifestos and between them and non-violent manifestos as to the targeted out-group, format and solutions prescribed by the authors.

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LINGUISTIC SIMILARITIES

What is evident is how similarities overshadow differences between the violent and non-violent manifestos. Using the Grievance Dictionary, we found that two of the non-violent manifestos sampled had violent and threat-based language equal to or greater than other RWLA manifestos.