

# ROMCIR 2026

The 6th Workshop on  
Reducing Online Misinformation  
through Credible Information Retrieval

Held in conjunction with **ECIR 2026:**  
The 48th European Conference on Information Retrieval

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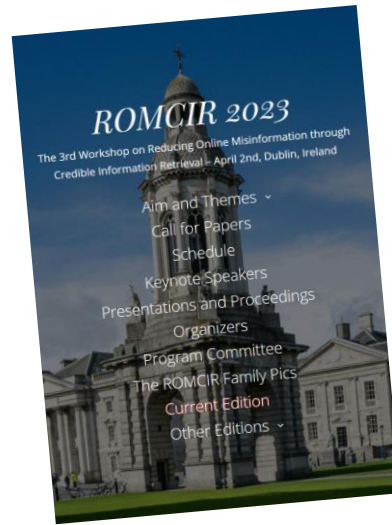
# ROMCIR Over the Years



2021

Lucca, Italy Online

2022  
Stavanger,  
Norway



2023  
Dublin,  
Ireland



2024  
Glasgow,  
UK



2025  
Lucca, Italy



2026  
Delft, The  
Netherlands

# Who Are We?



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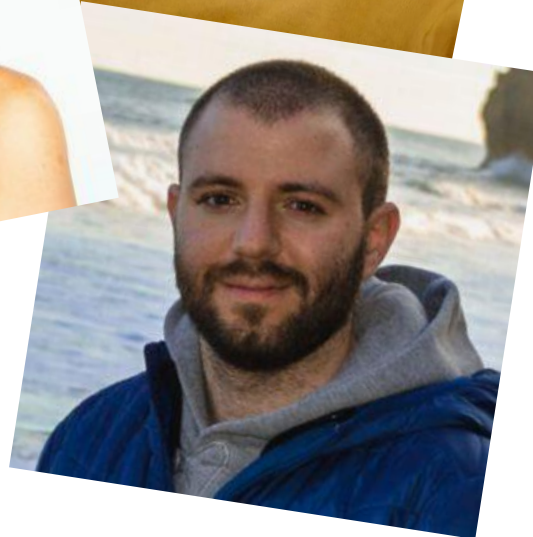
**Marinella  
Petrocchi**

Lucca, Italy



**Marco  
Viviani**

Milan,  
Italy



**Kevin  
Roitero**

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# The Scenario

*Technology is so much fun, but we can drown in our technology.  
The fog of information can drive out knowledge.*

Daniel J. Boorstin (1983) *The New York Times*



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# Topics of Interest

- Access to and retrieval of reliable information
- Bot/spam/troll detection
- Computational fact-checking
- Credibility assessment of online documents
- Crowdsourcing for information truthfulness assessment
- Disinformation/misinformation/bias detection
- Evaluation strategies to assess information truthfulness
- Generative models and information truthfulness assessment
- Human-in-the-loop misinformation detection
- Information polarization in online communities, echo chambers
- Propaganda identification/analysis
- Query reformulation strategies for truthful IR
- Search patterns and simulation strategies for information verification
- Security, privacy, and information truthfulness
- Societal reaction to misinformation
- Stance detection
- Trust and reputation



# Submissions

Total number of submissions: **10**

Accepted submissions: **5**

Acceptance Rate: **50%**

Countries: **France, Italy, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom, and Vietnam.**



# Schedule

Start - End Time	Speaker(s)	Area	Title
13:30 - 13:40	Marcos Fernández-Pichel, Marinella Petrocchi, Kevin Roitero, and Marco Viviani	<i>Opening</i>	
13:40 - 14:30	Tommaso Caselli	<i>Keynote Speech</i>	Misinformation Detection: Progress, Pitfalls, and the Path to Societal Impact
14:30 - 14:50	Frédéric Rayar, Hoang Long Nguyen, Nicolas Ragot	<i>Fact-Checking</i>	Explainable Automated Fact-Checking: An Overview
14:50 - 15:10	Arkaitz Zubiaga, Rafael Martins Frade	<i>Fact-Checking</i>	ImFact: A Benchmark Dataset for Image Retrieval in Automated Fact-checking
15:10 - 15:30	Sevgi Yigit-Sert	<i>Retrieval-Augmented Generation</i>	Evaluating RAG Reliability under Clean, Misleading, and Mixed Retrieval
15:30 - 15:50	Andrea Cioci, Michael Soprano, Stefano Mizzaro	<i>Crowdsourcing / Deepfakes</i>	Beyond Seeing Is Believing: On Crowdsourced Detection of Audiovisual Deepfakes
15:50 - 16:10	Abdelrahman Wahdan, Begum Mutlu, Ebru Akcapinar Sezer, Ismail Furkan Atasoy	<i>Hallucination Detection</i>	Do Benchmarks Underestimate LLM Performance? Evaluating Hallucination Detection with LLM-First Human-Adjudicated Assessment
16:10 - As long as the discussion continues	<i>All attendees</i>	<i>Closing</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

# CEUR-WS Proceedings

- The ROMCIR 2026 Proceedings (published by CEUR-WS) will be available in the coming weeks.
- Stay in touch with the **Proceedings Chair** for updates.



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Let the  
workshop begin!

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