

Breaking up social media giants an option to deal with misinformation, Labor says | The Guardian

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The Australian Labor party's national president, [Wayne Swan](#), will issue a call to arms for progressive parties to fight back against misinformation proliferating on digital platforms, declaring nothing can be off the table "including breaking up the social media platforms where the concentration of their market power is damaging society".

Swan will use a conference hosted by the Chifley Research Centre to foreshadow that over the next 12 months, the ALP will bring together a "coalition of centre-left and progressive parties from across the globe to drive this debate forward and take action to check the domination of firms such as Facebook".

According to a copy of his speech seen by Guardian Australia, Swan will argue progressive and centre-left parties have been flatfooted in responding to the "disruption and chaos" that social media giants have enabled, "and we haven't done enough to share our experiences and coordinate our responses across borders".

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