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Two Faces of Russian Information Operations: Coronavirus Coverage in Spanish | Stanford Internet Observatory

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In this installment of the Virality Project, we look at coronavirus-related content on RT en Español, one of the most popular and prolific outlets in RT's network. We find that, in contrast to that of RT's English-language Page, RT en Español's coverage of the pandemic does not exhibit strong politicization of the virus and its consequences. On the contrary, a study of Russian disinformation across the six languages covered by RT suggests that RT en Español is, unlike other RT outlets, not a primary vector for influence operations; instead, Russia-aligned disinformation is funneled into Spanish-speaking communities through other "grey" propaganda channels.

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