

# With Climate Panel as a Beacon, Global Group Takes On Misinformation | The New York Times

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A group of scholars introduced an international panel to study the digital information landscape, inspired by those who had been warning of the effect of global warming.

Two years ago, at a virtual gathering organized by the Nobel Foundation, Sheldon Himelfarb outlined the idea that the world's leading scholars should join forces to study misinformation the way that scientists of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change documented the global effect of carbon emissions.

That new group gathered for its official introduction in Washington on Wednesday, uniting more than 200 researchers from 55 countries with [a similar sense of urgency and alarm](#) as the threat of global warming. In the group's first report, the researchers questioned the effectiveness of fighting falsehoods online with content moderation, one of the most common strategies to combating misinformation, saying other tactics had more scientific evidence behind them.

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