

LISTEN: truth, trust and the news media

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On 25 January [Charlie Beckett](#), Director of Polis, led a discussion with journalists and media commentators on how news media can cover Trump in a 'post-truth' world. Listen to the discussion below.

[Brian Stelter](#)

Senior Media Correspondent, CNN

On whether this is a serious crisis for journalists.

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[John Rentoul](#)

Chief Political Commentator, The Independent

"Post-truth is the wrong term."

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Anne McElvoy

Senior Editor, The Economist

On what is post-fact.

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Alex Sundstrom

Republicans Overseas

"My concern is that Trump is a master of manipulating the news media and is getting the result he wants at the expense of the news media's credibility."

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James Ball

Special Correspondent, BuzzFeed

On BuzzFeed's decision to publish the dossier on Trump.

"Journalists have a horrible habit of writing for each other."

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Questions from the audience

Facebook and Twitter refuse to take responsibility for the content they publish. What accountability should there be in the new structures of social media?



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What advice would you give to journalists in Europe with elections coming up in Germany and France?

If the truth is complicated, how do journalists communicate it simply?

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Why is the UK written-media so partisan when all the evidence is that the public demand is for precise and unbiased news?

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