



TikTok & Youth Cultures in the Age of COVID-19

Monday 29 March 2021

0900-1100hrs GMT+8

TikTok has become one of the most widely used short video platforms around the world, with millions of new users joining during the COVID-19 lockdowns in 2020. The platform is now a key social arena for global youth culture, creativity, professionalization, and activism. This event was an open forum for discussions on how digital cultures are evolving in the wave of a global pandemic and the massive uptake of TikTok by diverse groups of people during this time.

Full Programme		
0855-0900	Open Zoom, attendees settle in	
0900-0905	Welcome, housekeeping	A/Prof Crystal Abidin (Curtin University)
0905-0935	SESSION 01: How are young people messaging COVID-19 on TikTok? 25 min discussion + 5 min Q&A	Presenters: A/Prof Crystal ABIDIN (Curtin University) Dr D. Bondy Valdovinos KAYE (QUT) Dr Xinyu (Andy) ZHAO (Deakin University)
0935-1015	SESSION 02: How has COVID-19 impacted the landscape and culture of TikTok? 35 min discussion + 5 min Q&A	Panellists: Ariel BOGEL (ASPI International Cyber Policy Centre) Kylie SNG (Hepmil Creators Network) Patrick SMITH (Educator/TikToker) Moderator: Aleesha RODRIGUEZ (QUT)
1015-1055	SESSION 03: What is the future of TikTok for youth engagements? 35 min discussion + 5 min Q&A	Panellists: Tahlea AUALIITIA (ABC) Oddie RANDA (Gushcloud Indonesia) Nich RICHIE (Activist/TikToker) Moderator: Dr Emily VAN DER NAGEL (Monash University)
1055-1100	Thanks, closing	A/Prof Crystal ABIDIN (Curtin University)

Organised by founding members **A/Prof Crystal Abidin, Dr D. Bondy Valdovinos Kaye, and Dr Xinyu (Andy) Zhao**

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