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This Conference became one of the widest academic fora organised so far in Europe on new media issues. During the two-day Conference, nearly 60 papers were presented by more than a hundred researchers who came from 23 countries: Argentina, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States of America. This book compiles only 58 papers that were given to the Conference organisers before the deadline and with the requested format for its publishing.

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