THE CENTRE FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM

CIJSummer Investigative Journalism Conference 2026

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Day 1

TIME	Room: PSH 314	Room: PSH 326	Room: LG01	Room: LG02
09:30 – 09:50	**Welcome** James Harkin, Director of the CIJ · Dr Omega Douglas, Head of Journalism and Strategic Communications, Goldsmiths, University of London Room: LG02			
09:50 – 10:30	**Gavin MacFadyen Memorial Lecture: Undercover in the British Far Right** Harry Shukman Room: LG02			
10:50 – 11:50	**Data Journalism: Spreadsheets 1 — The Basics** *Helena Bengtsson* [B] HANDS-ON	**Understanding Company Accounts 1: Motivation to Commit Corporate Fraud** *Raj Bairoliya*	**OSINT: Building Investigations with Open-Source Intelligence** *Tom Sanderson*	**Fighting Climate Dis- and Misinformation** *Aditi Tandon*
12:00 – 13:00	**Data Journalism: Spreadsheets 2 — Pivot Tables & Simple Formulas** *Helena Bengtsson* [B/I] HANDS-ON	**Understanding Company Accounts 2: The Profit & Loss Account** *Raj Bairoliya*	**Story-Based Inquiry Method 1: From Question to Hypothesis** *Dr Mark Lee Hunter and Luuk Sengers*	**Lessons Learned from Defending Investigative Journalism Against Legal Claims** *Antonia Cundy, Gill Phillips, Sirin Kale*
13:00 – 14:10	Lunch · 70 minutes			
14:10 – 15:10	**Data Journalism: Beyond Vibe Coding. Python Essentials 1** *Max Harlow and Pamela Duncan* [B/I] HANDS-ON	**Understanding Company Accounts 3: The Balance Sheet** *Raj Bairoliya*	**Story-Based Inquiry Method 2: Nailing the Timeline** *Dr Mark Lee Hunter and Luuk Sengers*	**How to Amplify Your Investigation's Impact** *Fola Folayan and Pierre Leibovici*
15:30 – 16:30	**Data Journalism: Beyond Vibe Coding. Python Essentials 2 - Scraping Data** *Max Harlow and Pamela Duncan* [I] HANDS-ON	**Understanding Company Accounts 4: The Fine Print — The Devil's in the Detail** *Raj Bairoliya*	**How to Make a Living as a Freelance Journalist (Now)** *Abla Kandalaft*	**Get Results: Impact Case Studies - - [R]** *Pierre Leibovici and Peter Geoghegan. Moderated by Emma Youle*
16:50 – 17:50			**Tracking the Kinahan Cartel** *Connor Plunkett and John Mooney*	**Fake TikTokers, Harry Potter Shops, and Snail Farms: How to Run High-Impact Local News Investigations** *Jim Waterson*

Day 2

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10:00 – 11:00	**Climate Investigations: Investigating Governments** *Scilla Alecci*	**Multimedia Skills for Your Investigation** *Marta Portocarrero*	**Story-Based Inquiry Method 3: Mapping the Stakeholders** *Dr Mark Lee Hunter and Luuk Sengers*	**Investigating White Collar Crime with Companies House and Other Datasets** *Maxence Peigné*
11:20 – 12:20	**AI + Data Show and Tell** *Helena Bengtsson, Jonathan Stoneman and Luuk Sengers*	**From Story to Community: Designing Engagement Strategies for Investigative Journalism** *Workshop by Fola Folayan*	**Story-Based Inquiry Method 4: From Masterfile to Masterpiece** *Dr Mark Lee Hunter*	**Introduction to Information Security for Journalists** *Tansy Hoskins*
12:30 – 13:30			**How to Stand Firm in the Face of Legal Threats** *Abi Whistance*	**Investigating War Crimes in Occupied Territories** *Danylo Mokryk*
13:30 – 14:40	Lunch · 70 minutes			
14:40 – 15:40	**Data Journalism: Investigating Data with R — 1: First Steps** *Jonathan Stoneman* [B] HANDS-ON	**Save the Day with Notion: Recordkeeping for Investigations** *Luuk Sengers* [B] HANDS-ON	**Using the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA): Tips, tricks, and testing out AI - 1** *Jenna Corderoy and Lucas Amin*	**AI Without Prompting: Tricks to Force AI to Behave in Investigations** *Henk van Ess*
16:00 – 17:00	**Data Journalism: Investigating Data with R — 2: Getting Help from AI** *Jonathan Stoneman* [I] HANDS-ON	**Cross-Border Corporate Mapping** *Anna Bureiko*	**Using the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA): Tips, tricks, and testing out AI - 2** *Jenna Corderoy and Lucas Amin*	**How to Combine OSINT and AI for Investigations** *Henk van Ess*
17:10 – 18:00	**Keynote: On Investigating Cults, and Being Harassed by Them** Catrin Nye · Chaired by Jake Charles Rees · Chatham House Rules Room: LG02			
18:00 – 20:00	Drinks Reception			