## Crisis in Trust: A Solution in Your Hands

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The FAKE NEWS media (failing @nytimes, @NBCNews, @ABC, @CBS, @CNN) is not my enemy, it is the enemy of the American People!

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**₹** 51,148 **♥** 162,496

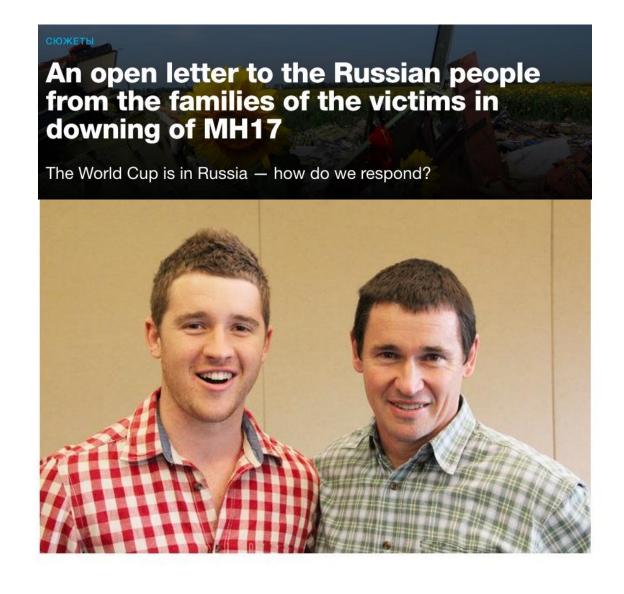
#### Does Politico Publish Fake News?

Chris Roberts, American Renaissance, December 12, 2016

It certainly got Donald Trump completely wrong.



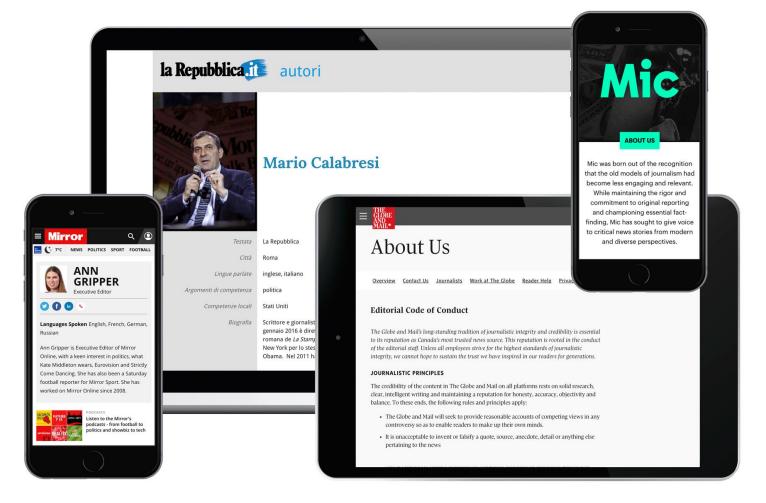
... "campaign of misinformation intended to distract and confuse, to create an alternative reality in which all truth is relative and no information can be trusted."



## 33 percent

## Facts





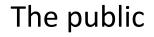


## **The Trust Project**

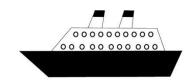
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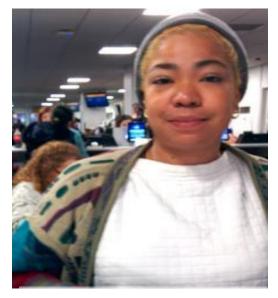


Machine-readable signals



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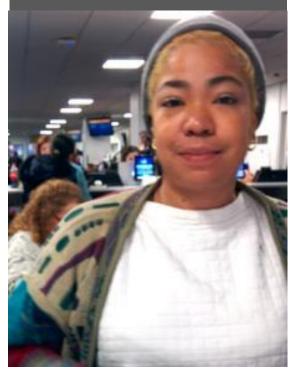
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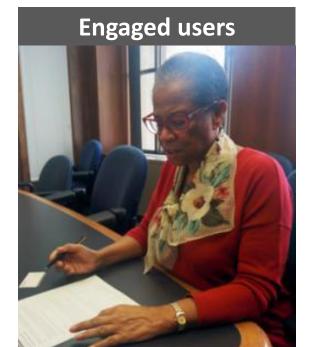
I'm suspicious.
I curate my own news.



#### **Avid News Users**

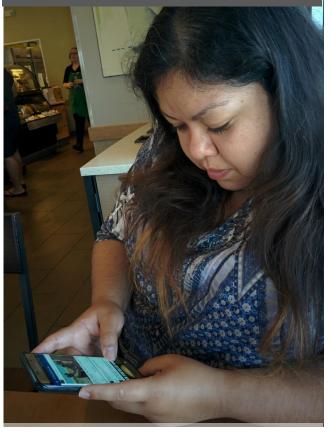


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"I want news that's nutritionally fit. Every time I read an article, I have more questions."

#### **Opportunistic users**



"News is there to tell us what's going on? Around the world. Around the neighborhood.

But I'd like for it to be more real..."

#### Angry, disengaged



"I would trust a system that was as critical of institutions as I am"











Diverse perspectives?

The journalist?

What am I looking at?

How do you know?

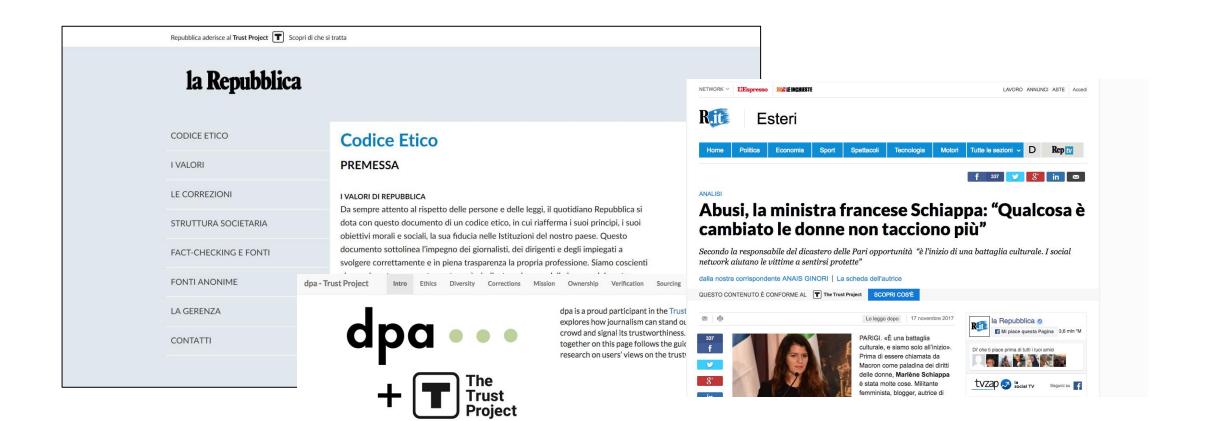
**Locally sourced?** 

Let me participate









dpa's journalists are free and independent when it comes to their reporting. We are committed to truth and facts, and not to political parties, religious or cultural beliefs, industry or any other interest groups.

Furthermore, dpa's clients are heterogeneous, which makes it impossible to align with various interest groups. It is a fundamental tenet of journalism that we tell good stories and provide facts, but allow readers to draw their own conclusions.

**Ethics Policy** 

The Trust Indicators

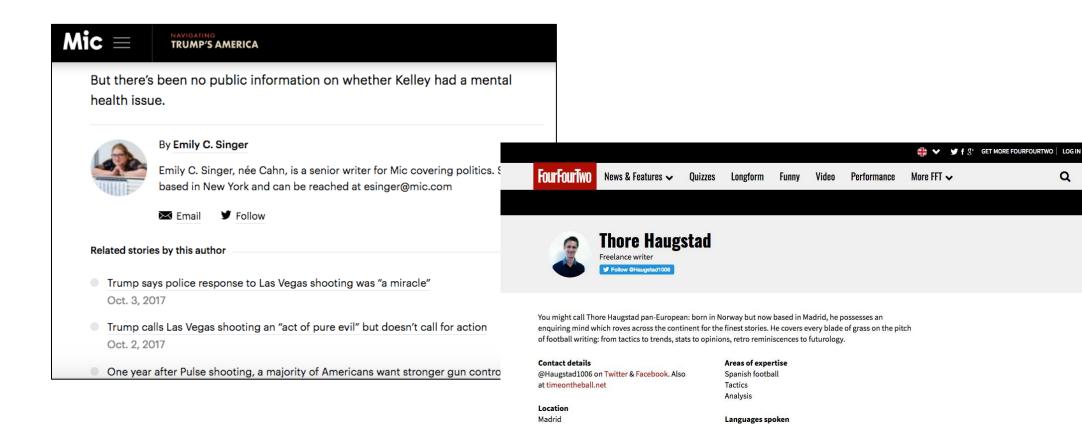


#### **Best Practices**

- 1. Ethics Policy
- 2. Diverse Voices, Staffing
- 3. Corrections Policy, Practices
- 4. Ownership Structure, Funding & Grants, Founding Date, Audience
- 5. Masthead, Newsroom Contact Information

- 6. Mission Statement with Coverage Priorities
- 7. Verification/Fact-checking Standards
- 8. Unnamed Sources
- Public Engagement Statement and Contact Info





#### **The Trust Indicators**

#### Articles by Thore Haugstad



REAL MADRID 13 February 2018

Why Cristiano Ronaldo has been Real Madrid's major problem this season... but he can also be their solution

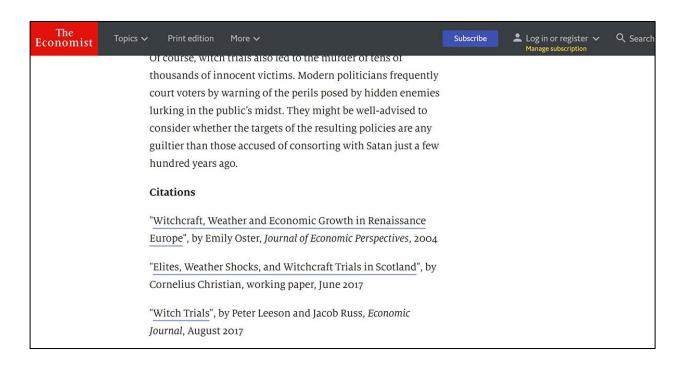
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#### **The Trust Indicators**





#### **News Distributor Use**



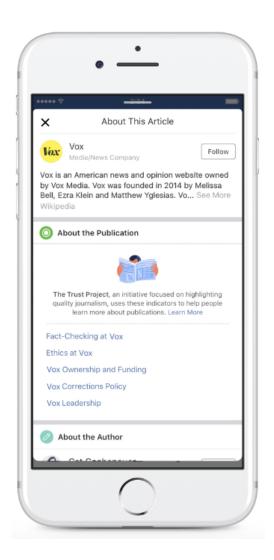














## Credibility higher with Trust Indicators

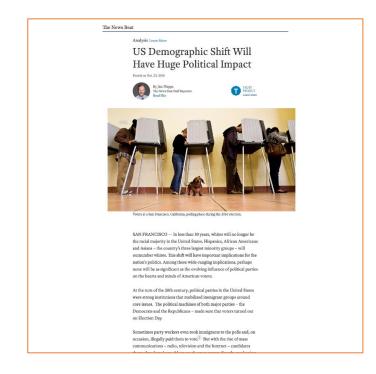
#### SITE

- Can be trusted, reputable, reliable
- Tells whole story

#### REPORTER

- Carefully researched
- Well-qualified

#### **BEHAVIORAL INTENTIONS**



Research by the Center for Media Engagement. Differences with indicators and without indicators are statistically significant.

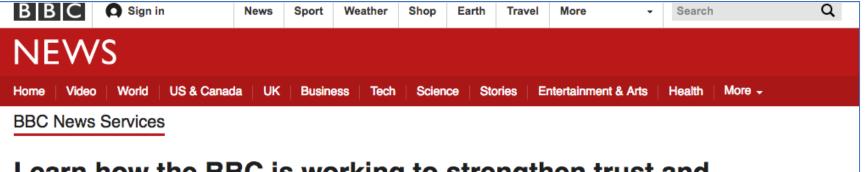


### Top five Trust indicators by impact

Perceptions of how each indicator affects trust

Trust Indicator	More trust	No change	Less trust
Noted that the organization participated in Trust Project	62.6%	30.9%	6.5%
Included a "behind the story" section (e.g. sources used)	59.0	33.2	7.7
Provided list of best practices (e.g. ethics policy)	52.8	39.8	7.4
Provided link to leadership structure	48.9	43.5	7.7
Labeled their articles as news, analysis, etc.	48.5	41.5	10.1





Learn how the BBC is working to strengthen trust and transparency in online news

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"Our commitment to impartiality is at the heart of that relationship of trust. In all our output we will treat every subject with an impartiality that reflects the full range of views. We will consider all the relevant facts fairly and with an open mind."

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Even so, we know that identifying credible journalism on the internet can be a confusing experience. We also know that audiences want to understand more about how BBC journalism is produced.

The Trust Project "has helped push some tidy-up bits we need to do anyway."

European broadcast company

"The work existed but not in the public domain, making it knowable."

Global digital native news site

"We're having to reconsider stuff that hasn't been given due thought in the past 20 years, including our ethics policy."

U.S. regional newspaper

#### Launched Nov. 2017

BBC (UK)

dpa news agency (Germany)

The Economist (UK)

FFT (UK)

The Globe and Mail (Canada)

Hearst Television (US)

Independent Journal Review (US)

Mic (US)

La Repubblica (Italy)

La Stampa (Italy)

Stuff (UK)

Trinity Mirror (UK)

Washington Post (US)

What Hi Fi? (UK)

Institute for Nonprofit News (WP plug-in)

#### **Currently Implementing**

Aftonbladet (Sweden)

Bay Area News Group (US)

Canadian Press Agency

Canadian Broadcasting Corp.

El Pais (Spain)

Heavy.com (US)

Orb Media (international)

SciDev.net (international)

SkyNews (UK)

Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

Tegna (US, multiple sites)

The Daily Beast (US)

The Star (Canada, multiple sites)

VG (Norway)

Voice of Orange County (US)

Wisconsin Watch (US)

Zeit Online (Germany)

# An open letter to the Russian people from the families of the victims in downing of MH17 The World Cup is in Russia — how do we respond?

"It will not bring our families back but truth does matter, the truth does exist."



Daisy Oehlers, victim of MH17 downing. Twitter.com

We appeal again for the Russian government to cooperate fully with the international investigation into MH17. It will not bring our families back but the truth does matter, the truth does exist a d we want those responsible for MH17 to be identified and held accountable. We teach our children when they are small that they must own up to their mistakes and take responsibility for their actions. We want our governments to do the same. We ask Russia to do the same.





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## Questions?

- Best Practices
- Author/ReporterExpertise
- Type of Work
- Methods

- Citations andReferences
- Local
- Diverse Voices
- Public Engagement



