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On-demand mid-term report 2021/22
Application OD000012021_22 From Mr Chris Harris
Form Submitted 24 May 2022, 10:58am NZST

Instructions

Kia ora. The questions below are to help InternetNZ understand the triumphs and challenges so far in your project.

We want to celebrate your successes and understand the obstacles you have encountered. This will help us all to learn what we could do differently next time.

This form will be placed on our website for transparency.

Please complete and submit this form no later than the date stipulated in your funding agreement. Should you be unable to meet the deadline, contact us to arrange an alternative date, by emailing funding@internetnz.net.nz. You may not be eligible to apply for further grants from InternetNZ if this is not submitted. The completion of this form should be overseen by someone with an intimate knowledge of the funded mahi.

Final project report

* indicates a required field

Initiative title *
Online Antisemitism in New Zealand

Provide a short summary of your progress so far. *
Progress so far has been very extensive on this project, it was decided early on that we wanted to extend the nature of the project to include dis/misinformation, this was communicated with InternetNZ and approval was granted. The reason for this inclusion we wanted to see how information was communicated that would lead to online antisemitism in Aotearoa New Zealand. We decided inside of Humanity Matters running the survey and focus groups that we would contract a marketing firm to undertake this, and through a mutual contact we have engaged with Big Picture who have given a significant discount to undertake this work for us. Through planning sessions with their team and ours we have come to a point that in early to mid June we will be hosting 7 online focus group sessions with Jewish Community Leaders, older members of the community, middle aged and teenagers to get their perspectives on online antisemitism and mis/disinformation. The group believed it would be valuable to have a teacher panel which could provide educational options for the second part of the project which would be educational materials, and also the teachers what experience they have on the topics. The work also needed some strength through academia and experts, so we have reached out to a number of organisations throughout Aotearoa and the world and have assembled a creditable group who will provide their expertise as well. Once focus groups are completed, the survey will be designed that will go to the Jewish Community to understand the nature of online antisemitism in Aotearoa. We are fortunate enough to have an ex-cabinet minister on the Humanity Matters advisory board, who is willing to work with us to get the Prime Minister involved as she is looking for solutions in this space, we are looking at present cabinet minister to sponsor this for a select committee. We have received support from a number of organisations from the Human Rights Commission, disinformation project and recently Meng Foon mentioned the work in an editorial. On completion of the report, our PR team will be making sure this gets out to the wider public, it has been discussed on our regular monthly podcast Talking Frankly Korero Pono. We expect to have this report completed by the middle of August.

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Describe the "who, what, where and when" of your initiative.

Who have you worked?

Advisory Board of Humanity Matters New Zealand

New Zealand Jewish Council

Zionist Federation

Alternative Jewish Voices

AUJS

Race Relations Commissioner's office

Human Rights Commission

Bryon Clark

Marc Daadler

Auckland University

Disinformation Project

European Union on Disinformation

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

Yad Vashem, Israel

Victoria University

For example, staff, volunteers, other organisations or support that has been instrumental in this mahi so far.

Describe any changes from the original proposal and the reason the changes were required.

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This information may to help inform others undertaking similar work.

Financial report

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Project income and expenditure

Please provide details of any project income (funds received) and project expenditure (funds spent) to date.

Use the 'Notes' column to provide any additional information you think we should be aware of.

Income Description	Income type	Confirmed funding?	Income amount ($)	Notes

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To support project	Donations	Confirmed *	$7,500.00	Private donor supporting project
Grant for project	Philanthropic grants	Confirmed	$10,000.00	InternetNZ
			$	

Expenditure description	Expenditure type	Expenditure amount ($)	Notes
Survey/Focus Group	Project and production	$25,087.00	To undertake survey and focus groups
		$	
		$	
		$	

Income and Expenditure Totals

Total income amount

$17,500.00
This number/amount is calculated.

Total expenditure amount

$25,087.00
This number/amount is calculated.

Income - expenditure

-$7,587.00
This number/amount is calculated.

Have you experienced any issues with your intended project budget to date? If so, please explain reasons for any major variances or for providing incomplete information:
We at the beginning thought we could undertake all of the work ourselves, but to have credibility and standing, we needed to contract an organisation that were able to do this for us. The work they are undertaking is drastically reduced due to their passion to want to make this happen. We were able to source some more funding, but the remaining has had to be absorbed by Humanity Matters NZ itself.

Feedback

You are almost at the end of your mid term report. Before submitting, please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

Please indicate how you found the acquittal process:
◉ Very easy   ○ Easy   ○ Neutral   ○ Difficult   ○ Very Difficult

How many minutes in total did it take you to complete this form?
60

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Estimate in minutes (i.e. 1 hour = 60 minutes)

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to this form that we might consider:

InternetNZ is a membership organisation. Would you be interested in hearing more about becoming a member?
◉ Yes please   ○ No thanks   ○ I am already a member