

Our global nonprofit partnership with PeaceTech Lab

Partnership in review

Our global work together

During our partnership with global nonprofit PeaceTech Lab from 2020 to 2022, we:

\$106,512 fundraised and contributed

4556 hours of volunteered pro bono, legal, and other professional time to our partnership projects

made progress on SDGs 10, 16, 17

Through our global commitment to Responsible Business, we strive to strengthen the rule of law and achieve progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals. Building and investing in innovative and strategic partnerships is key to our ability to create impact consistent with these goals.

We nourish a variety of partnerships across our offices and regions, and there is one global partnership that we unite around to ensure we are maximizing what we can do together as a global firm. We select this global partner in three-year cycles, and currently, we are partnered with PeaceTech Lab, working together to put low-cost, easy-to-use technology into the hands of the people best positioned to make a difference: activists, peacebuilders, and other NGOs.

Click on the title to read on and explore our collective achievements

Addressing hate speech and extremism

Combating misinformation

Advancing racial justice

Addressing hate speech and extremism

We gathered a panel of experts to discuss the complexity of addressing hate speech and extremism globally with PeaceTech Lab. Our conversation included the following esteemed guests:

Sara Khan

Achol Jok Mach

Farah Pandith

Chris Wolf

Click to watch our transnational panel discussion



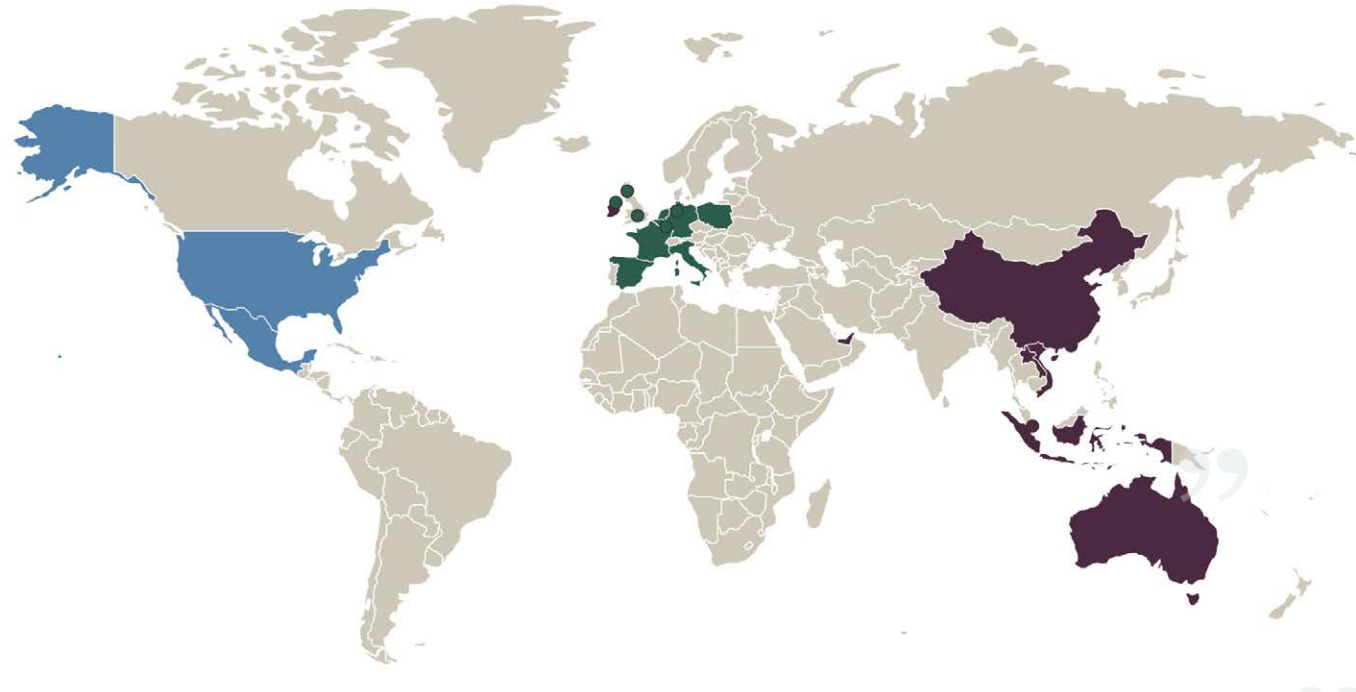
Understanding the legal tools available to combat hate speech is essential in the fight against the many forms of online and offline hate. The Hogan Lovells/Peace Tech Lab digest of major laws available in an interactive map-based tool will be incredibly useful to ADL and help us understand the parameters of the law in numerous jurisdictions. We welcome the effort and appreciate the work.

Vice President, Civil Rights at the Anti-Defamation League

To compliment PeaceTech Lab's work on hate speech, 80+ Hogan Lovells' attorneys and staff with the direction and online speech experience of partners, Christelle Coslin (Paris) and Christopher Wolf (Washington, D.C.), collectively published a special report in December 2021, "The Global Regulation of Online Hate: A Survey of Applicable Laws," to analyze the extent to which laws govern online hate speech under international law and a specifically examining the legislation in 23 jurisdictions.



In mid-2022, we worked together to transform the analysis into an [interactive map](#) covering 20 jurisdictions.



Knowing what your rights are, and how to exercise those rights, strengthens the fight against power being used arbitrarily.

PeaceTech Lab CEO, Sheldon Himelfarb

Combating misinformation

Separating truth from fiction

False or misleading claims affect us all. Bad information promotes hate, damages people's health, and hurts democracy. We teamed up with Full Fact, a team of independent fact checkers and campaigners, to join the fight against misinformation.

Full Fact wants to get better at automatically detecting people repeating things that they have previously fact checked, so that each fact check Full Fact writes can work as hard as possible. 60+ volunteers from across our three regions (Americas, Asia-Pacific, and EMEA) supported their Claim Challenge to better train their artificial intelligence in finding repetitions of false and harmful claims, even if different words are used to describe it. It will help Full Fact to see more precisely where patterns of bad information are forming and ultimately, enable their fact checkers to fight the spread of bad information in the most effective way.

Full Fact also trained 70+ global participants on how to spot misinformation in the news and on social media using key critical skills. The training covered the landscape of mis and disinformation, the principles of fact checking, and learning some of the key online tools to help interrogate and verify sources of information.

I liked that this project was a simple way to help out on an important global issue. Independent and decentralized verification systems are critical to credible authority. The Full Fact project facilitated that decentralized effort.

Hogan Lovells volunteer

It was an eye-opening session for me. I thoroughly enjoyed it and there were practical tips from the presenter. It was a great reminder to always put "critical thinking" mode on when assessing the news and useful tips on how we can go about verifying various information and news spreading online.

Hogan Lovells participant

Advancing racial justice

We successfully delivered Road to Equal Justice workshops that provided virtual technology and media trainings for racial justice advocates across the country.

The trainings covered a wide range of topics applicable to each city, including:

- Data-driven policing
- Media strategies
- Data visualization and economic data analysis
- Data privacy and online protections

Sessions were held in cities across the United States, including Baltimore, Boston, Denver, Louisville, Miami, and Washington, D.C.

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While the pandemic limited most of the project to an online platform, the last Road to Equal Justice initiative held in Louisville, Kentucky, earlier this year was the first in-person series. Our Hogan Lovells' Head of Global Business Services Center in Louisville, Bill Ball, and our local Compliance Analyst, Nasir Hassan, assisted PeaceTech Lab with building local support and relationships for the initiative, while our local Design team colleagues, Tessa Wilkerson, and Elizabeth Hardesty, conducted a workshop for participants on "Creating Effective Flyers." Our Senior Learning and Development Coordinator, Sharlis Montgomery, had the pleasure of moderating the event at the Mohammed Ali Center, leading and participating in critical discussions related to racial equity, local community building following the death of Breonna Taylor, and technology's role in our learning and solutions.

Sharlis reflected on her experience:

To kick us off, we had a powerful and inspiring keynote address from Maryam Ali. She shared how his work impacted everyone around him. His life motto of 'Simple Kindness' is something that stuck with me.



See below for more insight on the sessions as well as an opportunity to earn Responsible Business hours.

Road to Equal Justice | Responsible Business Activity

Watch interesting training sessions below which were offered to our Road to Equal Justice participants to gain knowledge on technology tools, media and data strategies, and discuss issues related to social justice.

To gain full credit of 5 responsible business hours, please hover your mouse over each city to view the link for session recommended. Please record your time spent to 763743.000003, or if you are a non-fee earner, in the Responsible Business Timekeeping Tool under the Pro Bono strand > PeaceTech.

Travel the marked path and click on the city to watch videos.

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