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The press has a responsibility: to deliver and check information and news in order to allow people to get properly informed. It is one of its goals to counterbalance social media, which delivers quick information that can be unverified and incomplete.

This is one of the causes of the polarization of public opinion: it keeps information too simple and superficial by fitting it into “bite-size” elements, easily ingested and without much nuance.

Press / traditional media / professional journalists =
gatekeepers of the news

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With the advent of the Internet, people have started to feel the need to share what they think – even though they are not specialists. Laypeople take as much space as specialists and can have as strong a voice. But they tend to be rather judgmental than constructive, ...

Multiplication of the sources of news leads to a loss of authority for journalists. In addition, with the tremendous amount of information people get access to, they end up feeling like they are never fully informed on a topic.

= people drowned in information

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Misinformation and disinformation can be more powerful than actual facts because they are more sensational