

## Main Grant 2022/23

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Application No. GR000662022\_23 From Ms Kathleen McLeod

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## Grant report

### Instructions

Thank you for completing your funded initiative.

This form will be placed on our website for transparency and enables us to understand and share the work you have done through this grant.

Please complete and submit this form no later than the date stipulated in your funding agreement. If you cannot meet the deadline, contact us to arrange an alternative date by emailing [funding@internetnz.net.nz](mailto: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 intimate knowledge of the funded mahi.

**\* indicates a required field**

### Grant initiative update

#### Initiative title \*

Hatemap Aotearoa

#### Provide a short summary of the work that was completed as part of this initiative.

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At the Khalifa Ihler Institute and at Glitterpill, we define violent extremism as the violent denial of diversity. To counter this, we promote the dignity, rights, and value of all human life. Through our work on the Hate Map, we aim to make data on the violent denial of diversity in Aotearoa New Zealand, accessible and visible to all, especially to communities most impacted by conspiracy theories, disinformation, hate speech, racism, and white supremacy. By publishing this data and by mapping behaviors, groups, individuals, and networks that threaten diversity, we hope to help further empower communities in acting to keep each other safe and confronting conspiracy, hatred, and racism collectively, especially those working on anti-fascist and anti-racist kaupapa as tangata whenua and tangata Tiriti, tauwiwi and tangata moana.

The proliferation of hate speech and hate crimes poses a significant threat to social cohesion, democratic values, and collective and individual well-being. It is imperative to develop effective tools capable of detecting, understanding, and combating such activities. Traditional approaches often focus on either online or offline contexts but fail to capture the complex interplay between them. Furthermore, many databases that are currently available focus only on the most extreme and egregious events that rise to the attention of mass media but do not capture the precursors to these acts of direct violence.

Our solution bridges this gap by creating a comprehensive graph database that incorporates various data sources collected via collaborations and human open-source intelligence (OSINT), enabling a holistic analysis of hate-related incidents and the nuances of hate speech both online and offline. Our data collection particularly focussed on incidents over the last five years. We have also included historical incidents that could be verified through media and public records. We plan to expand on historical incidents in the Hate Map for Aotearoa New Zealand in the future. We chose events related to discrimination and hate

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speech and events that we view as hate crimes. We also included protest activity related to conspiracy and disinformation. We used a variety of methods including literature and media reviews, OSINT, and consultation with activists, academics and community members, especially those who are on the frontlines against hate. We also focused on incidents where Māori are targeted, for practicing our culture, expressing our identity and living peacefully on our whenua. Throughout our data, groups and names will reoccur: Those we define as "super influencers", individuals who use their offline and online platforms to spread conspiracy or hatred and incite others to violence.

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

#### Is this initiative complete? \*

Yes  No

If your initiative is still in progress, select "no."

#### What are the outcomes of this initiative? \*

This project contributes to a deeper understanding of the complex nature of hate speech and hate crimes by considering both their online and offline dimensions. The developed graph database and analysis model will empower activists, scholars, law enforcement agencies, policy-makers, and civil society organizations with actionable intelligence, enabling them to proactively combat and prevent hate-related incidents. A public-facing version of the database developed for this project will be made available on [www.hatemap.io](http://www.hatemap.io)

In conclusion, our project seeks to address the pressing societal challenge of hate speech and hate crimes by proposing an innovative solution that integrates events, people, and groups in a multi-modal social network analysis model. By combining advanced data analytics techniques with comprehensive data integration, our graph database aims to identify hotspots of hate speech and hate crimes, facilitating evidence-based decision-making and fostering a more inclusive and tolerant society. The Hate Map in Aotearoa New Zealand will be a pilot for the Hate Map globally. Building on this initial research, findings and methodology we will seek to expand the dataset to further cover hateful movements in the rest of the world. We will also continue building on our findings in Aotearoa New Zealand, with the hope of making the Hate Map a useful tool for everyone in Aotearoa New Zealand and beyond who seek to fight back against hate.

Describe major achievements resulting from this grant.

#### Which population group/s were affected by this project or program? \*

Ethnic and racial groups > Indigenous peoples > Pacific Islanders

Ethnic and racial groups > Indigenous peoples > Māori

Ethnic and racial groups > People of African descent

Ethnic and racial groups > People of Asian descent

Sexual identity > LGBTIQ+ people

Please choose only the group/s that were at the very core of this project/program.

#### If you have any supporting documentation, you can share it below.

This could include photos, surveys, feedback, your evaluation plan, published research or annual report.

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#### Upload files:

Filename: Aotearoa New Zealand Hate Map report.pdf  
File size: 3.8 MB

#### Upload files:

No files have been uploaded

#### Provide web link:

<https://hatemap.io/>

Must be a URL.

## Financial report

### Budget

Provide details of funds received and spent in relation to this grant.

Income	\$	Expenditure	\$
InternetNZ Grant	\$10,000.00	Wages	\$10,000.00
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$

### Budget Totals

#### Total Income Amount

\$10,000.00

This number/amount is calculated.

#### Total Expenditure Amount

\$10,000.00

This number/amount is calculated.

#### Income - Expenditure

\$0.00

This number/amount is calculated.

**Have you experienced any issues with your intended budget? If so, please explain reasons for any major variances or for providing incomplete information:**

No

## Feedback

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

**Please tell us how you found the reporting process:**

Very easy  Easy  Neutral  Difficult  Very Difficult

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

10

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

#### Do you have any feedback?

Our gratitude to InternetNZ for the opportunity afforded to us through this grant to launch the Hate Map in Aotearoa. We are looking forward to continuing this mahi in Aotearoa.

For example, feedback on the evaluation toolkit if you used it, the process of working with InternetNZ or anything else.

#### 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