HATE TRACKERS

INFOGRAPHIC ON HATE SPEECH

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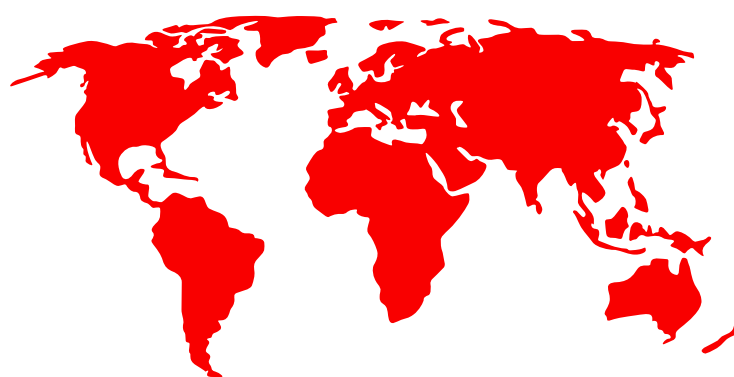Co-funded by the European Union

HATE TRACKING FACTS

Defining Hate Speech

The Council of Europe defines hate speech as "**all types of expressions that incite, promote, spread or justify violence, hatred or discrimination** against a person or group of persons, or that denigrates them, by reason of their real or attributed personal characteristics or status such as race, color, language, religion, nationality, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity and sexual orientation"
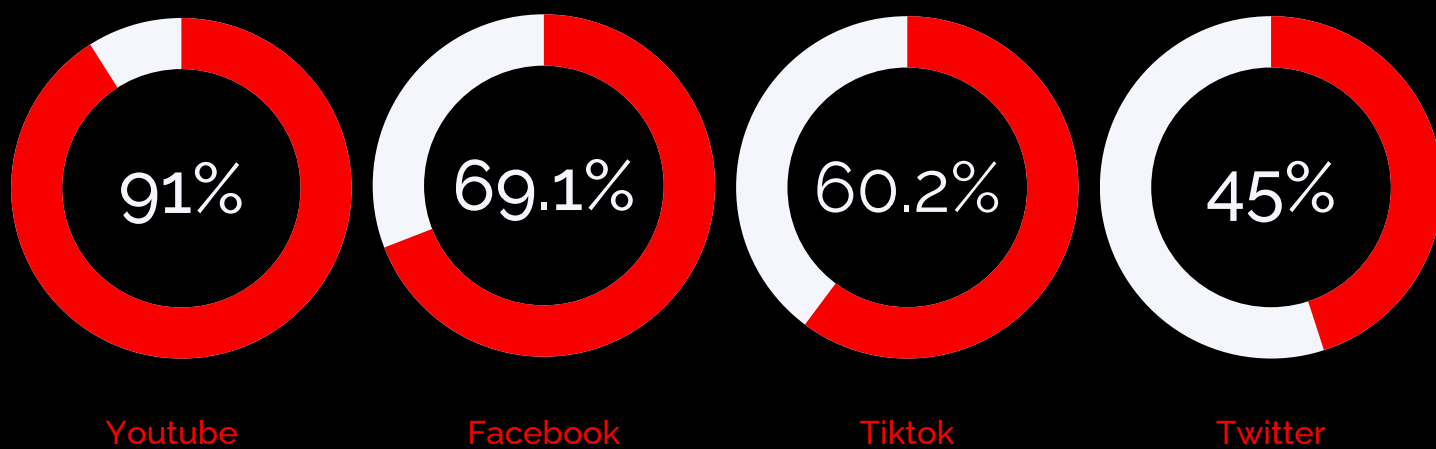
The Council of Europe stresses the point that hate speech, by undermining the freedom of individuals, also **entails an attack on democracy**.

ONLY *63.6%* OF HATE WAS REMOVED ONLINE 2022 WORLDWIDE

Source: European Commission, 2022

HATE CONTENT REMOVAL RATES BY PLATFORM (2022):

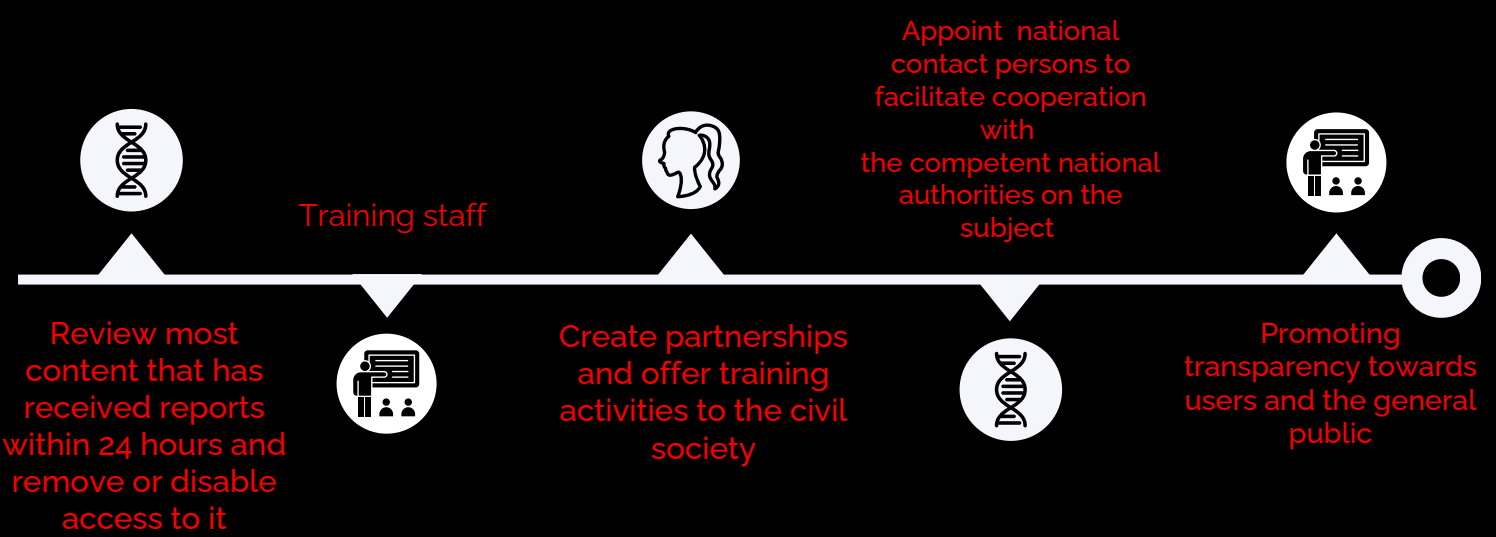| 91%	69.1%	60.2%	45%
Youtube	Facebook	Tiktok	Twitter

Statistics

65%

Facebook algorithms responsible for removal of hate content

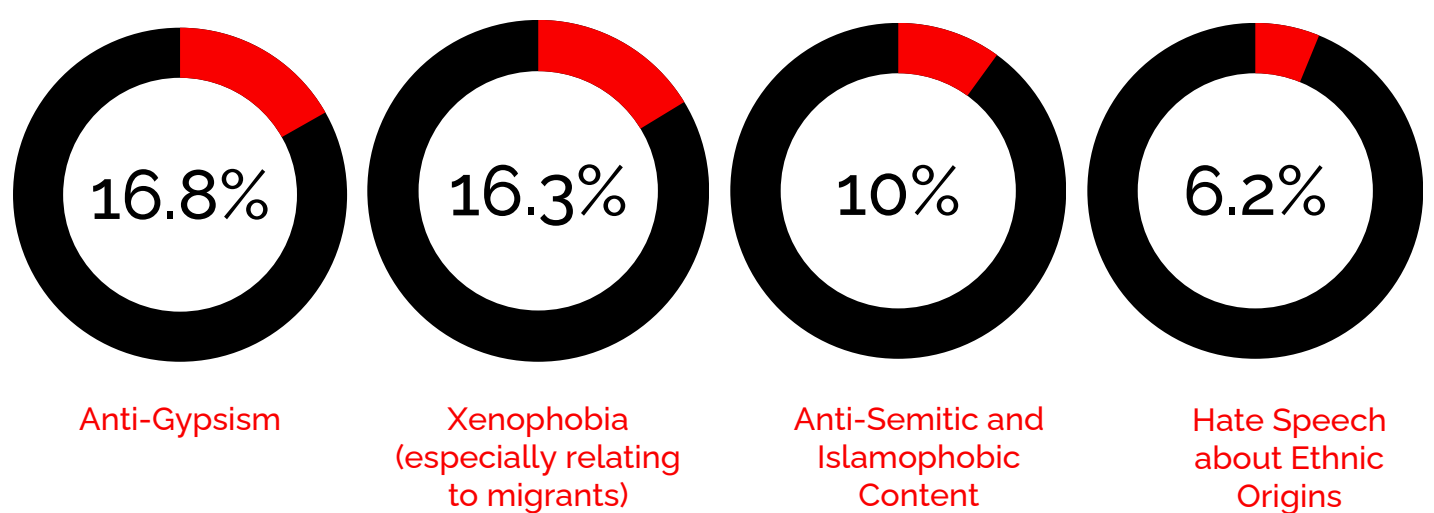## Automated Detection and Removal of Hate Content:

Since 2016, IT companies have been using automatic systems to detect and remove hate content. **By 2019, Facebook's algorithms were responsible for 65% of the content removal.** However, these algorithms primarily recognize explicit hate speech, *often missing* content that contains *strong allusions without explicit language* related to hate speech.

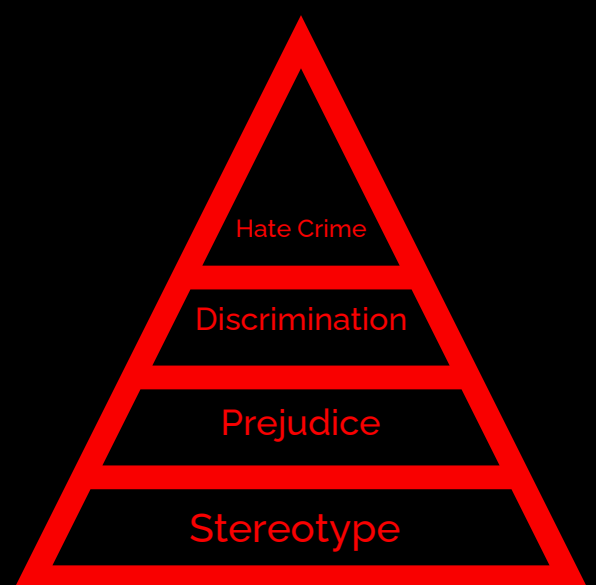# CODE OF CONDUCT ON COUNTERING ILLEGAL HATE ONLINE SPEECH

Review most content that has received reports within 24 hours and remove or disable access to it

Training staff

Create partnerships and offer training activities to the civil society

Appoint national contact persons to facilitate cooperation with the competent national authorities on the subject

Promoting transparency towards users and the general public

Source: European Commission 2016

MOST FREQUENTLY REPORTED HATE SPEECH CASES IN EUROPE (2022):

16.8%
Anti-Gypsism

16.3%
Xenophobia (especially relating to migrants)

10%
Anti-Semitic and Islamophobic Content

6.2%
Hate Speech about Ethnic Origins

PYRAMID ANALYSIS OF HOW HATE CRIMES ARISE

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

Hate Crime

Discrimination

Prejudice

Stereotype

WHAT EFFECTS DO HATE CRIMES HAVE?

Deprives/disrupts the moral integrity, personality and identity of the target towards whom it is directed

(Cowan and Hodge 1996)

Effects such as feelings of *fear*, *disempowerment*, *exclusion*, **dehumanization**, *silencing*, as well as feelings of *anger* and the exacerbation of discriminatory prejudices and the transmission of these to future generations

(Gelber and McNamara 2016)

Dehumanization of the victim

Frequent exposure to violence or violent behavior leads the subject to perceive acts of violence as less severe, which can lead to *apathy towards violent events/facts*, even to the **point of subconsciously considering violence as the norm**

(Bilewicz & Soral 2020)