



The Fellowship Programme

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Marcus Kolga is a documentary filmmaker, journalist, human rights activist and a leading Canadian analyst of foreign disinformation and influence operations. He frequently writes and comments on Russian and Central and Eastern European issues and disinformation in Canadian and international media.

He has produced several internationally screened and broadcast documentary films that have focused on international affairs and human rights. A regular commentator on international affairs and human rights, Kolga's articles have been published by the Globe and Mail, the Toronto Star, the National Post, the New York Daily Mail, Macleans, the Atlantic Council, the European Observer, and other European publications.



Kolga led the Canadian civil society campaign for Magnitsky human rights sanctions legislation and has actively led and contributed to similar efforts in Estonia, Latvia, Sweden and Australia. He has spoken and testified in the US Capitol and the UK, Australian, Canadian, and Estonian Parliaments about Magnitsky Sanctions, Russian disinformation and Interpol reform. He is a senior fellow at the Macdonald-Laurier Institute Center for Advancing Canada's Interests Abroad, the CDA Institute, and the Raoul Wallenberg Center for Human Rights.

Kolga founded DisinfoWatch.org in 2020 to monitor and analyze foreign disinformation targeting Canada. DisinfoWatch's work in monitoring and analyzing foreign information and Influence operations has been featured in a wide range of national and international media. He has been sanctioned by both the Kremlin and China for his efforts to promote democracy and combat disinformation.