# e-Activism & COMBATTING XENOPHOBIA WORKSHOP

Faith Matters is offering a unique Certificate Course for people aged 16-30, who are committed to engaging in peaceful social activism.

# Over the course of four days, you will:

- Gain an understanding of the relevance of the online world and the growth of far-right and xenophobic movements on it
- Learn about UK and European civil and criminal law relating to xenophobia, threats and harassment online and how the police can help you deal with it
- Have the chance to critically examine what we mean by racism and hate crimes;
   how we came to our understanding of them.
- Learn how to engage with and secure compliance from internet service providers, social media companies and relevant institutions and authorities
- Learn useful tactics to deal with racist and extremist movements online
- Explore ways to change minds, create effective movements online, and shape public political discourse against racist and xenophobic movements
- Learn how to establish and organise local groups of citizens committed to counter ing Islamophobia, antisemitism, and other racist and xenophobic movements
- Receive practical advice and support in developing your own campaigns and learn how to build an effective online presence.

### **Course Assessment and Certification**

Assessment will be on the basis of submission of learning journals and small-group presentations. Successful completion of the course will result in the awarding of a certificate.

## **Entry Requirements**

There are no specific academic qualifications required for this course, which will be delivered to a undergraduate standard. Familiarity with social media will be helpful, but is by no means necessary; this course will provide you with everything you need to know.

The course is specifically designed for individuals aged 16-30 with a keen interest in countering the proliferation of xenophobic, racist, and religiously motivated hate incidents and hate crimes online, and in developing their skills and competencies to engage more effectively in social activism. While the course will focus on racial and religious hate crimes and incidents, much of its content will also be relevant for people interested in other forms of hate crime and bigotry in the online world.

| COURSE DATES  |   |
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| Day 1<br>Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct                             | Day 2<br>Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct           |
| 10:00 – 4:00  | 10:00 – 4:00                                |
| <mark>Day 3</mark><br>Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov<br>10:00 − 4:00 | Day 4 Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov 10:00 – 4:00 |

Lunch, refreshments and materials will be provided and local travel costs reimbursed. The course will be delivered in Central London, and therefore applicants are expected to reside within the Greater London area.

# **Application Process**

To apply, or for more information, please contact sarahb@faith-matters.co.uk.

