

Afterword

Reflection: Individual Contribution in Relation to Collection Position and Individual Discourse

Successfully uploaded rumors on 'reliable' online resources such as Google map, Wikipedia can already speak for the possibility of this contribution. By planting information of this Chinatown on platforms, it enables the opportunity to submit article on online magazine and newspaper because they only requires reference to be convincing. As Steve Paikin, the anchor of The Agenda news, stated "Now we're living in the multiverse of news, data, analysis and opinion. It turns out to be a world with fake news, echo chamber, and deep distrust of media." 'Echo chamber' describes precisely the characteristic of internet. People can post their subjective information on open-edit websites where anyone can contribute to the content. Especially information about a remote place like Gibraltar as well as the idea of Chinatown is only exaggerated based on the real increasing of Chinese investment around the Mediterranean.. These information can barely be confirmed. Then the same information can be reference to other platforms and gradually the same idea can become a 'fact' across platforms.

"Great ideas are also very dangerous."
- Kees Kaan

During E1, it was the first remark from the examiner which has embedded in my mind throughout the whole semester. At first, I didn't realize the actual meaning but it keeps me being meticulous on each action and decision. Somehow, there are still mistake in the process. Though it might be an interesting idea to test which triggers me to look for friends for support and suggestions because sometimes this is just an issue of number, it still not interesting enough to trigger others to help spreading the rumors on multi-platforms. As well as it took too much time and effort on researching the background and story about this non-exist Chinatown. Eventually the contribution become a what if scenario with only a few experiment done on the Internet.

However, the final in Berlage shouldn't be the end of this contribution. Now the story is established which can be the base for all the rumors on different platforms. The ultimate goal for this experiment is when people google "Gibraltar" the Chinatown will pop up in the first page.