

# Public Sentiment as an Indicator of Corporate Responsibilitiy

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#### About the Institute

The Al

Transparency

**Institute (AITI)** 

Non-for-Profit Association

Founded in December 2018

Network of AI/ML Researchers, Designers, Lawyers, Policy-makers

• Part of OECD WG on AI, CAI WG at the Council of Europe, CEN **CENELEC WG** 



#### https://ai-gf.com/

## The Al Governance Forum

• The first edition was in 2019 at the Fondation Brocher in Hermance with the WHO/ITU, Head of AI from EU Commission, Swiss Ambassador Thomas Schneider, now Head of Committee on AI at the council of Europe.

• The most recent edition, held last month, focused on digital health and the protection of patients.



## Special issues on **Al Governance**

 Topical collection from the Al and **Ethics Journal from Springer** Nature is open now.

• Title: Al Governance Forum 2022: The EU AI Act – Towards a Global **Consensus on Trustworthy AI?** • Deadline: 31 March 2023



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- **Organisation and Trustworthiness** ulletIndex
- Digital and Green Index •

# **Indices from AITI**

Corporate Responsibility Index



### Public Sentiment as an Indicator of Corporate Responsibility A complement to existing indices

#### Indices tend to use information provided by the company itself.



Social media News articles companies

- Many sources of public information exist these days • Public reports released by
- data

# Why not augment this with public information?

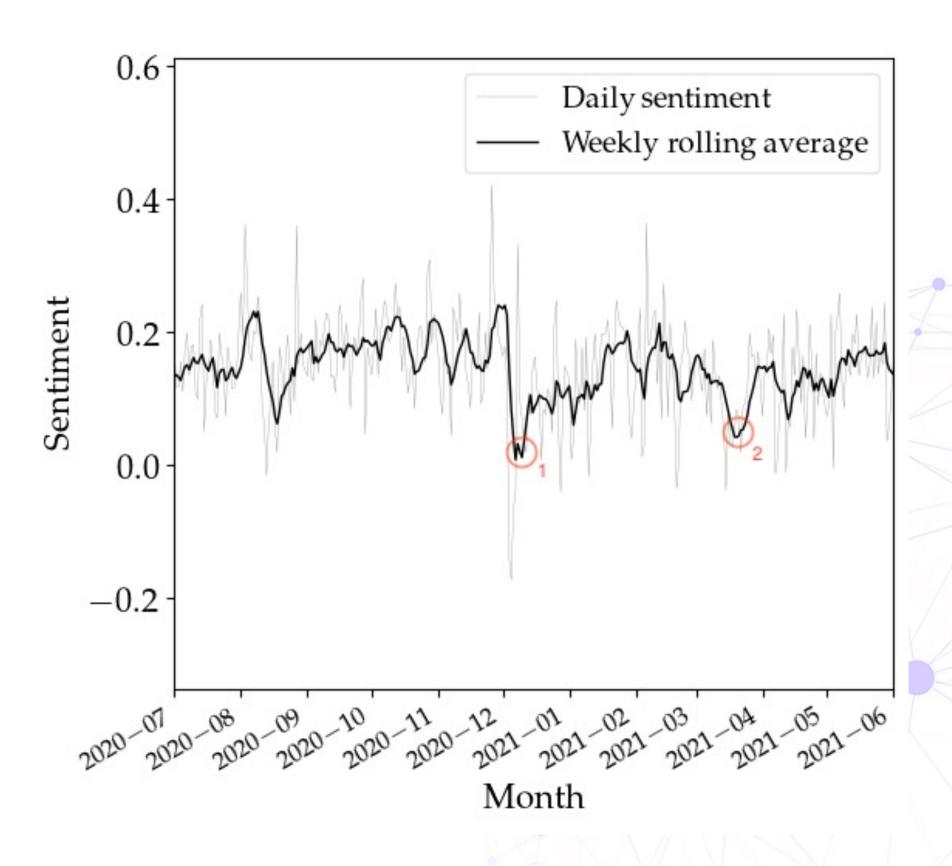
Use ML algorithms to analyze the



# Twitter data analysis as a proof of concept

1. Get tweets based on keywords

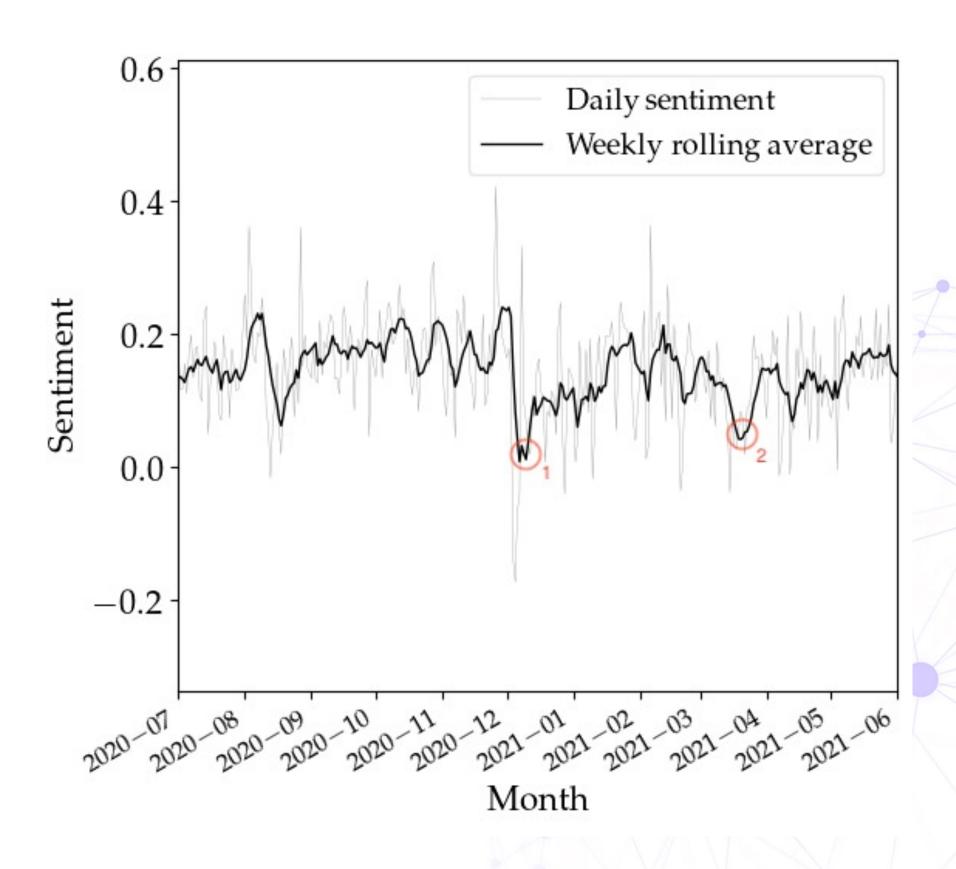
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- 3. Combine to get potential events of importance





## Example

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Found by looking at the frequencies of words.

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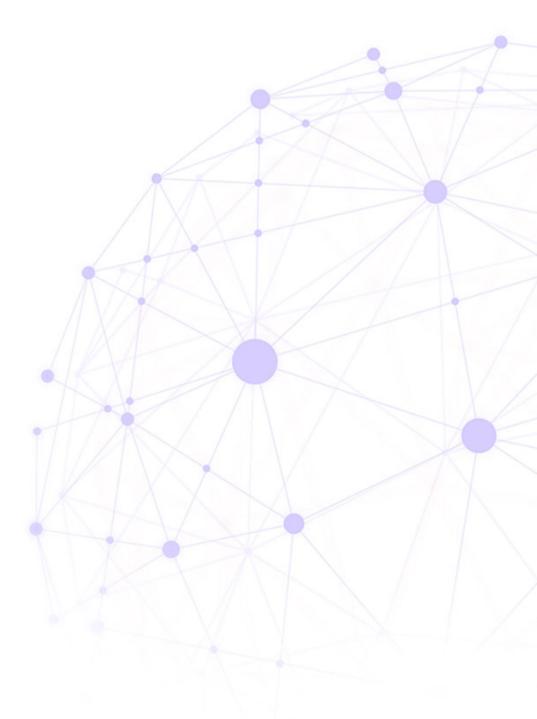
## Future possibilities





MORE SOURCES OF DATA

MORE NUANCED ANALYSIS





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