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09:55 - 10:55 — Access to devices by law enforcement:
How does current police practice call for legal change?

Spyware, UFEDs, Chat Control, SkyECC, Encrochat: accessing devices and encrypted messages has become a major goal for law enforcement. And it seems that all means are acceptable to achieve this: compromising phones, backdoors, supply chain attacks, client-side scanning, etc.

Taking both the NGO and police viewpoint, and offering a legal and technical perspective, this panel aims to provide an overview of the current situation, where the need to strengthen democratic principles (the right to a fair trial, the right to privacy, the proportionality of interference with fundamental rights, etc.) is clashing with increasingly authoritarian State actors who are receptive to police demands for ever greater powers and less oversight.

We are at a crossroads. It is clear that a legal change is needed to effectively protect civil rights when law enforcement has such powerful and intrusive powers. However, Member States do not seem receptive to such requests from civil society; quite the contrary, they want to grant their police even greater powers. This dilemma will be discussed in the talk.

Moderator:
- Bastien Le Querrec, Legal Officer at La Quadrature du Net

Speakers:
- Guillaume Dasquié, Director of the documentary Sky ECC *"The crime messenger"*
- Rory Flynn, Full Stack Developer at Amnesty Tech
- Chloé Berthélémy, Senior Policy Advisor at EDRi

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Resisting deregulation of data centers in Europe: Tactics and action

The current growing trend of digitalisation and datafication of public services is predicted upon a promise of increased flexibility, cost effectiveness and time gains. However, the forced march towards an ubiquitous digital life comes with multiple negative impacts on our privacy, dignity and autonomy, especially on those of us already experiencing social exclusion, including people living in homelessness, undocumented, migrants, elderly people, people with disabilities or low-income groups. The right to access essential services and equal treatment are no longer guaranteed. Furthermore, the digitalisation of services and social protection.

Speakers:
- Dr. Corinne Cath, Head of Global Team Digital at ARTICLE 19
- Dr. Fieke Jansen, Co-principal Investigator Critical Infra Lab, Environment Lead
- Max Schulze, Executive Chairman of the Sustainable Digital Infrastructure Alliance (SDIA)
- Max von Thun, Director of Europe & Transatlantic Partnerships at the Open Markets Institute

09:55 - 10:55

Mapping the effects of militarisation in the digital rights

The objective is to map how militarisation intersects with digital rights across different sectors in Europe. We aim to spark a collective, exploratory exercise for participants, with or without expertise in the topic, to reflect on where and how militarisation is already present in their work, whether through funding structures, technologies, or legal frameworks.

We would like to leave the room with a better understanding of emerging developments, overlooked connections, and concrete gaps in advocacy, as well as ideas for where further monitoring, collaboration, or forms of collective resistance and refusal, are needed. All of this could fuel our potential future work on the topic.

Facilitators:
- Aljosa Ajanovic, Policy Advisor at EDRi
- Jill Toh, Co-founder and Secretary of the Racism & Technology Center
- Naomi Appelman, Co-founder and Chair of the Racism & Technology Center

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Strategic litigation against tech harms:
How do we learn, improve and remain relevant?

The impact of emerging technologies on human rights is being felt across all areas of social, political, and commercial life. The need to hold powerful actors accountable is pressing. Strategic litigation is often seen as a buzzword for activists and rights defenders - some think it's the only way to achieve change, others doubt it, seeing it as promising much more than it can deliver, while others reject it as a waste of time and resources. All of this can be true.

How do we pursue strategic litigation in a way that is effective, that matters for people, and that holds against the tidal wave of anti-rights, pro-innovation and authoritarian discourse? Most importantly, how do we make sure that our practice of strategic litigation adapts to lessons learned and new needs?

This conversation table will gather attendees to strategise, share tactics and generate ideas in pursuing effective and relevant strategic litigation against tech harms. Facilitators all have experience of strategic litigation around Europe. They will prompt discussions around key sources of tech-facilitated harms, and invite attendees to discuss their experiences and ideas, so as to identify challenges and solutions, methods for investigations and case identification, ideas for collaboration across fields and expertise, opportunities for impactful action, needs of the sector, available resources and support.

No prior experience of strategic litigation is required, just an interest or an idea. This exchange aims to conclude with:
- 3 problems where strategic litigation is urgently needed
- 3 opportunities for collaboration
- 3 avenues for support
- 3 ideas to make existing wins more impactful (or replicate these wins elsewhere)

The conversation will be conducted under Chatham House rule. It will be facilitated by::
- Lori Roussey, Founder & Executive Director at Data Rights
- Alexandra Giannopoulou, Fundraising Lead & Legal Officer at Digital Freedom Fund
- Lucie Audibert, Solicitor at AWO

10:55 - 11:10 Break 15'

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GDPR and ePrivacy at risk:
Resisting deregulation in the EU's digital rulebook

The GDPR has long been hailed as a global benchmark for data protection, a rare example of regulation that successfully balances fundamental rights with data flows. Yet, it is now under increasing political pressure.
Proposals to 'simplify' the GDPR - particularly through targeted amendments to provisions like Article 30(5) - are gaining traction, often with limited evidence, no impact assessments, and little public scrutiny.

At the same time, the ePrivacy Regulation, once intended to complement the GDPR by safeguarding confidentiality of communications, has been officially withdrawn. Some actors are now calling for its core protections to be absorbed into the GDPR framework. This shift would not only dilute specific rights protections, but also reframe regulatory principles to prioritise economic interests over rights.

This panel will show how these developments are part of a broader deregulatory agenda in the EU; one that aligns, in form and effect, with authoritarian logics: erosion of enforcement, centralisation of governance, the use of 'burden' narratives, and a growing hostility to dissent.

The panel will explore:
- What is really at stake in the reopening of the GDPR?
- Who is driving these changes, and what narratives are being used?
- How does this fit into wider trends of regulatory capture and digital authoritarianism in the EU?
- How can different actors - civil society, regulators, academics, and allies within industry - coordinate to resist these shifts and protect fundamental rights?

Moderator:
- Ellen O'Regan, Reporter at POLITICO

Speakers:
- Maria Magierska, Researcher at the University of Maastricht and European University Institute
- Anja Wyrobek, Legal Policy Advisor at the European Parliament
- Mariano delli Santi, Legal and Policy Officer at Open Rights Group
- Jesper Lund, Chairperson at IT-POL Denmark

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Military decision making systems:
Countering the normalisation of surveillance in war

This conversation explores strategies to counter the narrative that perfectly performing tech-enabled and data-intensive military decision support systems will lead to better protection for civilians, by highlighting in particular the real risks they bring to the rights to privacy and freedom of expression. In line with this year's call, the conversation engages critically with the securitisation of technology and its cross-border impacts. It examines how militarised digital systems intensify surveillance and contribute to the suppression of civic space, including in areas under military occupation.

The conversation will focus on identifying strategies to address three core areas:
- The privacy and freedom of expression impact of such technologies on civilians under armed conflict and occupation;
- The increasing role of data-intensive technologies in non-conflict contexts;
- The roles and responsibilities of tech companies engaged in the development and trade of these systems.

Our discussion aims to offer a space to raise awareness and sensitivity in a collective manner on the above issues, from the particular perspective of interconnectivity of the violations of human rights by data-intensive technologies in peace and armed conflict contexts. More practically, we want to focus in particular on:
- Strategies to bring more people into the discussion and bridge the gap between humanitarian and military circles engaging on these issues and the human rights community.
- Identifying entry points in the EU for advocacy
- Leveraging existing legal frameworks (e.g., GDPR, Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, EU export controls) to push for restrictions on these technologies.
- Overcoming transparency barriers to build stronger evidence of the risks these technologies pose and how they are being used.

Speakers:
- Serhat Ozturk, Legal Officer at Privacy International
- Chantal Joris, Senior Legal Officer at ARTICLE 19
- Mark Dempsey, Senior EU Advocacy Officer, ARTICLE 19
- Marianne Rahme, Senior Policy Analyst at SMEX

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'Predictive' policing in Europe: Current state and counter strategies

This session will gather the collective knowledge, experience and insight of attendees to look at potential collective strategies for challenging and, ultimately, abolishing so called 'predictive' policing.

This exchange will first look at how racial and socio-economic profiling, and how discrimination and criminalisation are fundamental to these systems, while private companies profit with promises of 'innovative' solutions to manufactured security concerns.

It will present recent examples of the deployment of predictive policing around Europe, based on Statewatch research, and reflect on the most pressing research or investigation on the topic in the years to come.

In seperate break-out groups, participants will:

• Exchange strategies of community organising and campaigns against predictive policing, departing from the experiences of Technopolice in Belgium. This organisation will share how it exposed the various ways in which police in Belgium are experimenting with technology, and invite a discussion on potential local strategies to resist predictive policing schemes.

• Discuss the question of the lawfulness of the deployment of predictive policing and reflect on legal strategies. As the AI Act failed to ban these systems, and even its limited and even its limited prohibitions may be further weakened by forthcoming European Commission guidelines on prohibited AI practices, what legal or political alternatives remain, if any?

Speakers:
- Sanne Stevens, Co-Director at Justice, Equity and Technology Project
- Chris Jones, Executive Director at Statewatch
- Romain Lanneau, Researcher at Statewatch
- Corentin, Technopolice

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Privacy under pressure:
AI surveillance and digital rights in Eurasia

From AI-powered facial recognition tracking dissidents in Belarus and massive CCTV networks in Russia suffering multiple data leaks, to Kazakhstan reeling from the largest personal data leak in its history, privacy in the Eurasian region is under siege.

This panel will explore how artificial intelligence, facial recognition technologies, and state and private surveillance are colliding with digital rights across Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan. We will discuss unique challenges in these countries – from authoritarian governments weaponizing tech to silence dissent, to chronic data leaks eroding public trust – and how local activists and experts are pushing back.

By examining these Eurasian case studies, the session aims to extract lessons for the global community on safeguarding privacy and supporting digital rights under authoritarian pressures. It will help in developing joint strategies for advocacy and protection of civil rights.

Speakers:
- Sarkis Darbinyan, Eurasian Digital Foundation, RKS Global
- Alex Kozlyuk, Human Constanta, VPN Guild
- Sergey Ross, Collective Action Think Tank Brussels
- Anastasia Zhirmont, Access Now

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13:50 - 14:50 — Resisting technology by building resilience through communities

This panel will discuss prevailing power dynamics that drive the creation and use of largely repressive technologies in the context of migration. The exchange will delve into the efforts to resist and actively counter surveillance and extractive or exploitative approaches to migration control, including through the creation of Resilient Technologies (ResTech), technological systems of care that are developed by and for migrant communities.

Our panelists will examine how dominant technological infrastructures enable surveillance and control of migrant communities and racialised people, and highlight the importance of community-led initiatives that challenge these systems while advancing visions of justice and self-determination. The session seeks to spotlight ongoing resistance efforts, including through ResTech, and foster dialogue on shifting power back to communities by embracing care-oriented approaches.

In the discussion, speakers will further present and discuss various types of ResTechs and initiatives that showcase how to centre care, dignity, and agency within digital systems.

Speakers:
- Iness Ben Guirat, Université Libre de Bruxelles
- Nandini Jiva, Aapti Institute
- Myles Delfin, Bike Scouts Project
- Alyna Smith, Equinox Initiative for Racial Justice

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GDPR under attack: What resists, persists.
A roundtable with the EDPS (EDPS - Civil Society)

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"Policy change is an end point, not an origin": Moving beyond reform for digital justice

This workshop seeks to bring CSOs and organisers together to build a collective 'theory of change' for more liberatory advocacy work.

In this exchange, the following questions will be explored:
- In an era of deregulation and fractured 'democracy', what is the efficacy of policy?
- What tangible steps can move advocacy beyond policy engagement?
- What under-resourced or missing elements are essential for advancing digital justice?

Participants can expect to leave with approaches for developing advocacy outside traditional policy reform. The workshop aims at developing a collective 'theory of change' for digital justice through the planned community of practice for this work.

As authoritarianism and deregulation expand, civil society often turns reactive, defending long-held protections like the GDPR and resisting rollbacks, often leaving fundamental rights unprotected. While necessary, this defensive posture risks narrowing our focus to incremental change: how do we keep our focus on the liberation we seek for true justice, digital and otherwise?

The cycle of policy and legislative development, and the related civil society influencing is part of the apparatus of structures that keep us focused on incremental changes to systemic, foundational issues. Now, more than ever, we must ask how to move beyond or around regulation: what resources do we need, and what wins could emerge if we saw "policy as an end point, not an origin?" - (Ta Nehisi Coates, The Message)

Despite the times, we continue to fight for freedom, build solidarity, strengthen resistance, and invest in care. Too often, we are pushed into "reformist reform," without space or resources to imagine the futures we want. To 'imagine otherwise' is to "to remake the world. [Because] some of us have never had any other choice". This radical approach —importantly grounded in Black feminist thought and other critical social theories — to consider alternative ways of organising. To facilitate our imagination, this workshop invites us to collectively build the capacities (and resources) to create the necessary conditions for it.

Facilitator:
- tèmítópé lasade-anderson, Executive Director at Glitch

Speakers:
- Paige Collings, Senior Speech and Privacy Activist at Electronic Frontier Foundation
- Likhita Banerji, Head of Algorithmic Accountability Lab at Amnesty Tech
- Laurence Meyer, Co-Director at Weaving Liberation
- Sarah Chander, Director at Equinox Initiative for Racial Justice

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13:50 - 14:50 — Simplification, securitisation, and surveillance: What's at stake for fundamental rights in Europe and beyond?

This conversation table will explore the intersection of two troubling trends: the EU's push for digital policy "simplification" and the parallel acceleration of securitised uses of technology, particularly in surveillance, border control, and policing.

Framed as efforts to boost efficiency and competitiveness, key tech regulations — including the GDPR and the AI Act — now face pressure for re-opening, re-evaluation, or even rollback. Such moves risk weakening hard-won rights protections and democratic safeguards. At the same time, political and financial momentum is growing for technologies that expand state surveillance, border enforcement, predictive policing, and cross-border data-sharing — developments that disproportionately affect migrants, racialised communities, and civil society actors.

This conversation will look at how these waves of regulatory simplification may be contributing to, or at least enabling, a broader project of securitisation in the EU and beyond. Speakers will also examine how these trends are being exported globally, especially to the Global South, and what implications they hold for human rights and digital justice worldwide.

Three guiding questions will anchor the conversation:
- What does "simplification" mean in current EU digital policy discourse — and who benefits or loses from it?
- How are deregulatory trends connected to securitisation and surveillance across Europe and its borders?
- How are similar deregulatory and securitising agendas playing out in other regions, and what forms of cross-regional solidarity could counter them?

The session is designed to be participatory. Attendees will be encouraged to share experiences, compare regional dynamics, and reflect on strategies for solidarity and collective resistance to the erosion of fundamental rights under the twin banners of "simplification" and "security."

Facilitators:
- Thiago Guimarães Moraes, PhD researcher at Vrije Universiteit Brussels (VUB)
- Sagnik Dutta, PhD researcher at Tilburg University (TiU)

Speakers:
- Rossella Andronico, Legal Officer at the AI Unit of the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)
- Shanti Badriyah, Human-Centric AI Strategist

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15:05 - 16:05 — From digital sovereignty to self-determination

In the past, the European debate on digital sovereignty largely revolved around the cross-border use of personal data. By contrast, some authoritarian states framed sovereignty as national control over the internet itself, even building switches that could disconnect them from the global network when deemed politically opportune.

More recently, however, the discourse has shifted. Today, debates in the EU, as in many other regions, centre on structural dependence on foreign-owned or controlled digital infrastructure, primarily from companies based in the US and China. This new framing of digital sovereignty is shaped by two main objectives. The first is strategic: ensuring regional autonomy, since dependence on foreign infrastructure can hinder regulation and create risks of denial of critical services. The second is economic: where sovereignty is supposedly achieved by identifying regulatory, technological and market-based levers, which can facilitate greater domestic participation in the monetary benefits arising from the use of technology by people in the EU.

Yet, neither of these objectives is rooted in individual or collective autonomy over data and labour — the conditions necessary for true digital self-determination. Instead, they risk reinforcing the inequities inherent to the data value economy. With escalating tariff wars and the immense power of non-European Big Tech, the sovereignty debate has become central to policy discussions in Brussels.

This is an opportune moment to assert how Europe should define digital sovereignty, and what objectives should guide policy making towards it. In this panel, it will be discussed why fundamental rights, environmental and social justice principles should underpin any European idea of digital sovereignty, it will be questioned whether it can be an important tool towards the exercise of fundamental rights and addressing structural inequities — and under what conditions — while also critically examining examples of digital public infrastructure from other regions and the lessons their successes and failures hold.

Moderator:
- Amber Sinha, Contributing Editor Tech Policy Press, incoming Executive Director, EDRi

Speakers:
- Alexandra Geese, MEP
- Elisa Lindinger, Co-founder at Superrr Lab
- Zuzanna Warso, Director of Research at Open Future Foundation

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15:05 - 16:05 — Reporting from exile: Digital innovation, resilience, and safety in the context of digital authoritarianism

This session will unpack the digital threats and surveillance risks faced by journalists, citizen journalists, and online activists in exile when reporting across borders. It will explore censorship-bypassing tactics and privacy-preserving tools for secure communication, publishing, and verification, while fostering a peer-exchange network around practical safety, digital care, and community resilience.

Journalists who flee authoritarian regimes often continue to face intimidation and threats, both from their home governments and, at times, from host countries. This workshop grounds the abstract notion of "privacy" in lived experience: how exiled journalists and activists use digital tools to resist transnational censorship, safeguard themselves and their sources, and continue producing critical reporting and content.

The workshop's key objective is to equip participants with both the confidence and the responsibility to take protection seriously, strengthening their ability to work securely while resisting authoritarian control.

Speakers:
- Ena Bavcic, EU Advocacy Officer at European Centre for Press and Media Freedom, Advocacy Coordinator for Media Freedom Rapid Response (MFRR)
- Dr. Olga Dovbysh, Media Scholar at the University of Helsinki
- Luis Assardo, freelance Digital Security trainer, OSINT researcher and data-investigative journalist
- Leonid Iuldashev, Communications and Partnerships Lead for Eastern Europe at eQualitie

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Co-creating a factsheet:
Mapping the impact of technology on environmental justice

In this workshop, the Environmental Justice and Digital Rights Working Group is creating a collaborative space to share knowledge and co-develop a factsheet on the impacts of technology on environmental justice. The session will begin with an introduction to the life cycle of technologies - from resource extraction and production to distribution, usage, and end-of-life disposal - and a critical examination of the environmental and social costs embedded in each stage.

Drawing on factual inputs and real-world examples provided by the working group, participants will identify key patterns, challenges, and opportunities. They will engage in interactive group work, applying an environmental justice lens to assess how technologies intersect with various axes of justice.

The outcome of the workshop will contribute directly to a collective factsheet, which can serve as a resource for advocacy, education, and policy engagement at the intersection of technology and environmental justice.

Facilitator:
- Blue Duangdjai Tiyavorabun, Policy Advisor at EDRi
- Representatives from The Environmental Justice X Digital Rights Working Group*

*EDRi, La Quadrature du Net, Génération Lumière, Friends of the Earth Europe, Aspiration, Algorithm Watch, TU Berlin Ethics Lab, Bits and Bäume, European Environmental Bureau, 7amlet, and others

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15:05 - 16:05 — Under fire: Resisting spyware in Europe

Europe plays a pivotal role in the global spyware trade. Companies based in the EU and neighbouring countries develop and export surveillance tools that have been used against journalists, lawyers, human rights defenders, and dissidents, causing grave violations of fundamental rights and eroding the rule of law. Despite mounting political attention, including the findings of the PEGA Committee and recommendations from the European Parliament, the EU's response remains fragmented and insufficient. Weak enforcement, lack of transparency, and limited accountability have allowed the spyware industry to operate with impunity, while state use of these tools remains virtually unchecked.

The conversation table will take the form of a fishbowl conversation, bringing together facilitators from the Share Foundation, EDRi, and CDT Europe. After a brief introduction of key research-based findings on spyware production, trade, and regulation in Europe, the discussion will open into a collective reflection guided by three themes:

- What is spyware, and how is it currently regulated in the EU?
- How can individuals and organisations protect themselves?
- What role can strategic litigation and advocacy play?

Participants will engage with realistic scenarios drawn from spyware investigations and retaliation cases, debating possible responses and testing technical, legal, and organisational strategies. This hands-on approach ensures the session goes beyond policy analysis to deliver practical tools for resilience.The conversation table aims to examine Europe's central role in the global spyware trade, highlighting the regulatory gaps that allow surveillance tools to proliferate, while at the same time providing practical strategies for those directly at risk.

Speakers:
- Aljosa Ajanovic, Policy Advisor at EDRi
- Andrijana Ristic, Policy Advisor at SHARE Foundation
- Joanna Tricoli, Policy and Research Officer at Centre for Democracy and Technology Europe

16:05 - 16:20 — Break 15'

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Deregulate all the things (except policing)?
Building a united front in the face of securitization

In the EU policy bubble, "deregulation" is certainly the word of 2025. In the span of a year, the European Union has done an astonishing 180° turn on its sense of self, moving from being a global rule-setter to a master of simplification. In the name of competition, the EU is now proactively unweaving landmark legislations and policy initiatives it once championed worldwide, such as the GDPR or the Green Deal.

At the same time, the very same institutions are taking a completely different approach to policy-making in the areas of policing and migration, where new regulations are flourishing and simplification is not on the agenda. The much contested Migration Pact has yet to be implemented, but the European Commission is already pushing for new legislations to increase surveillance of migrants and solidarity groups (Facilitation Package) or to digitalise the deportation regime (Return Regulation). Similarly, governments across the EU are passing one law after the other to increase repression of protests, especially those that centre environmental justice and the ongoing genocide in Palestine.

During this panel conversation, we will discuss how all of these elements connect to each other and together form a well-concerted attack on fundamental rights. Moving across topics and contexts, we will attempt to bring clarity on how deregulation in certain areas, such as digital policy, could not exist without overregulation in the policing sector and will shed light on the need to build a strong cross-sectoral united front to resist the growing threat of authoritarianism, especially when it comes disguised as a bureaucratic European policy agenda.

Moderator:
- Caterina Rodelli, EU Policy Analyst at Access Now

Speakers:
- Aarti Narsee, Senior Policy and Advocacy Officer at European Civic Forum
- Olivier Hoedeman, Research and Campaign Coordinator at Corporate Europe Observatory (CEO)
- Sarah Chander, Director at Equinox Initiative for Racial Justice
- Saskia Bricmont, Member of the European Parliament, Greens/EFA Group

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16:20 - 17:20 Shadowbanning as an authoritarian expression: How to reclaim women's health discourse and resist digital violence

Conversations about women's and nonbinary health rights, beyond reproductive rights, are increasingly silenced by authoritarianism, digital surveillance, and opaque content moderation systems. Beyond reproductive rights, topics such as menstruation, contraception, abortion, gender-affirming care, and sexual pleasure are flagged as "explicit" or erased altogether. From algorithmic censorship to shadowbanning, educators, care providers, sex workers, health companies, and marginalised communities find their content systematically pushed to the fringes of digital space.

These exclusions are not accidental, they are structural. They are rooted in the logics of surveillance capitalism and authoritarian governance, which thrive on keeping communities reactive, isolated, and dependent on opaque platforms. By removing or suppressing accurate and inclusive health information, these systems reinforce techno-patriarchal norms while undermining public health and freedom of expression. We aim to reclaim digital space and build coalitions for a feminist internet.

This workshop combines testimony, analysis, and an interactive simulation to unpack how these dynamics play out. Facilitators will share their personal and professional experiences with shadowbanning and censorship, reflecting on how these practices have shaped their work, silenced their communities, and limited their ability to engage in public discourse.

Participants will then engage in a hands-on exercise, analysing real-world examples of shadowbanned posts to experience the vagueness and arbitrariness of content moderation. Together, we will reflect on the risks of suppressing health rights online, the implications for feminism, bodily autonomy and freedom of expression, and the strategies available to resist. The session will close by offering concrete next steps, including resources, networks, and actions to help participants sustain momentum and reclaim digital space for justice and care.

Facilitators:
- Kali Sudhra, Sex Worker Activist and Writer, European Sex Workers' Rights Alliance
- Mar Diez, Cybersecurity Lawyer and Digital Rights Advocate, Independent Contributor
- Maria Prendeville, Women's Health and Sex-Positive Content Writer, Independent Contributor

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16:20 - 17:20 — Organizing techies: Out of the comfort zone and into digital rights

Code is Politics! Yet tech professionals are often isolated, disconnected from tools that could help them understand their social impact, and rarely engaged in solidarity with digital rights movements.

This workshop explores how to bridge that gap, engaging IT professionals and those aspiring to work with software and hardware in collective organising. The goal is to strengthen solidarity between "techies" and digital rights advocacy, showing how involvement can directly benefit both practitioners and the wider community.

Drawing on experiences from OFFDEM, we will look at practical ways to mobilise tech communities: from building grassroots conferences and support networks, to developing curricula for academia and labour organising, to initiatives like Synware. Together, we will discuss how to turn professional expertise into collective power, and how to anchor technical work in broader struggles for digital justice.

Facilitators:
- natacha, petites singularités
- Alexandra Ștefănescu, CTO at Asociația pentru Tehnologie și Internet (ApTI)

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16:20 - 17:20 — Get started in the Fediverse: How the Open Social Web can set you free from Big Tech social media

Commercial social media platforms are in steep decline. Centralised spaces such as X, Facebook, Instagram, and even LinkedIn are increasingly flooded with disinformation, AI-slob, and hate speech, while cutting back moderation for political and commercial gain. By contrast, the Open Social Web has matured into a viable alternative, one where people and organisations can reclaim control of their online spaces, free from the manipulation of Silicon Valley billionaires and their profit-driven algorithms.

This conversation table provides the insights for interested people to hit the ground running and find a new social media home away from Big Tech. It will introduce participants to the Fediverse and its various services — from Mastodon and Pixelfed to PeerTube, WordPress, Wanderer, BookWyrm, OwnCast, and more. It will discuss what makes decentralised social media unique and guide participants through their first steps. In true hands-on fashion, everyone will have the chance to open a Fediverse account of their choice and learn how to navigate its interfaces, discover content, and share globally.

Facilitators:
- Jan Penfrat, Senior Policy Advisor at EDRi
- Konstantin Macher, Board Member at Digitale Gesellschaft

17:20 - 17:30 — Closing

17:30 - 19:00 — Apero & snack