

Privacy and Innovation—The way forward in a world of social media, big data and internet of things

~eLaw 30th anniversary~

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Organized by the Center for Law and Digital Technologies, Leiden University

On 1 April 2015, the Center for Law and Digital Technologies (eLaw) celebrates its 30th anniversary with a symposium on the future of privacy and innovation.

Never before in human history has it been this easy and economically lucrative to collect massive amounts of personal data. Individuals leave extensive and quite sensitive digital traces while being online, everyday devices that surround us are increasingly equipped with sensors to answer to our every need, and sophisticated data analysis techniques can more and more intimately and meticulously predict our behavior. For decades scholars have debated the future of privacy law with respect to rapidly developing digital innovations. Gradually, however, innovations are also seen as solutions to privacy concerns raised by today's digital economy. The principle of privacy by design unites lawyers and technologists in their quest for results in which privacy rights are part and parcel of the fabric of digital innovations.

In our symposium we bring together these disciplines to learn about fascinating new developments and discuss the ongoing challenges for privacy and innovation.

Invited speakers

We have invited four distinguished speakers that will shine their light on privacy and digital innovations in distinctive ways.

Aral Balkan is the founder and lead designer of ind.ie, where he and his team develop software that is built to protect our fundamental rights and freedoms.

Jacob Kohnstamm is the president of the Dutch Data Protection Authority which supervises compliance with data protection laws and advises on new legislation.

Marietje Schaake is a member of the European Parliament and in her work she focuses on human rights and freedoms and digital technologies.

Tal Zarsky is a professor of information privacy and cyberlaw at the University of Haifa and is a legal expert on privacy, profiling and data mining.

Practical information

Time

The symposium will be held from 12.30 until 17.00 hours. After this we will go to 'Koetshuis de Burcht' (Burgsteeg13, 2312 JR Leiden) for drinks. A detailed program will be published shortly.

Venue

The symposium will take place in the Kinderrechtenhuis ('Child Rights Home').

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Registration

The event is free but registration is required.

To register for the event, please, send a message to Sabina Kloppers,
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