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Netherlands Internet Governance Forum

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NL IGF 2021: Internet United

National IGF conference on November 10th, in preparation of the IGF.

Program:

• Panel discussion WS+20 – IGF 2025: the future of the Internet and the IGF towards 2025
  • Alisa Heaver (Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy of the Netherlands), Maarten Simon (SIDN), Nathalie Jaarsma (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
  • On the importance of an open and honest Internet and the public core of the Internet (Erik Huizer, GÉANT)
  • Internet Governance Culture (Dr. Corinne Cath)
  • DNS abuse (Maarten Simon)
  • Dutch input IGF workshops
ECP annual conference

ECP | Platform for the Information Society is one of the initiators of the NL IGF. This social change organization was founded in 1997 to provide a neutral platform for public and private stakeholders to come together and work towards an inclusive and resilient digital society.

On November 11th (following the NL IGF conference), ECP hosted its annual conference on do’s & don’ts in the digital society.

Nearly 900 people attended this hybrid conference, from multiple stakeholder groups including politicians, government, private sector, academia, civil society organizations, and youth.
IGF 2021: December 6 – 10

WS130: The risks of pursuing digital autonomy
IGF 2021: NRI community

Globally, a network of more than 130 national and regional Internet Governance initiatives has emerged, including NL IGF and EuroDIG: the NRI community.

The Netherlands is a strong national initiative, which officially came into existence in 2011, but Internet Governance meetings in the Netherlands have been organized since the first IGF in 2006.

This brochure provides essential information on why members of parliaments and governments should engage in NRI processes.

Through the efforts of the NRI community, the brochure is being translated in several languages, including Dutch.
ICANN 71 (virtual) – the Hague

ECP NL IGF & ICANN meeting
public private partnership model
YOUthDIG & EuroDIG

The Youth Dialogue on Internet Governance (YOUthDIG) is an annual event, preceding the European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG), with the aim of encouraging youth involvement in the field of Internet Governance.

Last summer during YOUthDIG, the Youth Messages were formulated to capture the main themes among young people. The Youth Messages were presented by young people during the plenary session on the last day of EuroDIG.

The full Youth Messages can be read on the website.

EuroDIG
European Dialogue on Internet Governance

28 - 30 June
EuroDIG: Into Europe’s Digital Decade
Argument map restricting encryption

This map sets out the pro and con arguments for a law that would compel over-the-top services (OTT services) – upon lawful request – to give law enforcement access to communications in a readable form, for example by decrypting them. The arguments have been formulated from the perspective of the Netherlands, and do not necessarily apply to other countries.

The reason for producing this map is a bill announced by the Dutch Ministry of Justice and Security in March 2021 that is expected to be submitted in a new cabinet period. The bill comes in addition to existing digital and other investigative tools, such as hacking powers, which in certain cases entitles law enforcement to engage in the remote penetration of automated information systems, such as smartphones and computers.

This Argument Map was commissioned by the Amsterdam Internet Exchange (AMS-IX) and ECP | Platform for the Information Society (one of the initiators of the NL IGF) and made by De Argumentenfabriek. The arguments presented on this map were gathered in three thinking sessions with a broad group of experts from companies, governments, knowledge institutes and non-governmental organizations.
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