

How we can keep both our children and encryption safe

Cryptography, especially end-to-end encryption (E2EE), is essential for online security and protecting privacy, but it has recently come under regulatory pressure in many countries around the world. The EARN IT Bill in the US, the Online Safety Bill in the UK, the CSA proposal in the EU, and the Telecommunication Bill in India are representative examples. Some argue that E2EE restrictions and mandatory backdoors are necessary to protect children online, but they can also be a means for authoritarian states to increase surveillance of their citizens. It is a double-edged sword and therefore controversial.

The purpose of this town hall is to deepen understanding of the movement and current status of E2EE regulations around the world by having local experts provide information on these issues. We would also like to pursue the possibility of reducing abuses without compromising civil liberties through the participation of technical experts.