PERCOLATING THE DSA PACKAGE – PERSPECTIVES FOR A DIGITAL DECADE

WORKSHOP AGENDA

15.11.2021

Session 1

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15:00 Welcome
15:10 to 15:20 Giovanni de Gregorio: Framing the Digital Services Act within Transatlantic Digital Constitutionalism
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16:00 to 16:10 Christina Dinar: Regulating Internet by Size? Niche Platforms and Small and Medium-Sized Platforms in Internet Regulation
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Session 2

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10:10 to 10:20 Ohad Somech, Maayan Perel, Niva Elkin-Koren: P2B and the Missing Relational Dimensions of the DSA
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About:
The Workshop is organized by the Research Group **Democracy and Digitalization** at the **Weizenbaum-Institute** in Berlin. The Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society-The German Internet Institute is a joint project from Berlin and Brandenburg funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). The research group led by Dr. Thorsten Thiel analyses the interplay between digitalization and democratic self-governance. We examine how liberal societies form and make use of digital technologies, as well as how democracies are shaped by digitalization.

The **Internet Policy Review** is a peer-reviewed online journal on internet regulation in Europe.

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**Giovanni De Gregorio** is a postdoctoral researcher working with the Programme in Comparative Media Law and Policy at the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, University of Oxford. His research focuses on digital constitutionalism, content moderation and artificial intelligence, privacy and data protection law and digital policy.

**Naomi Appelman** is PhD researcher at the Institute for Information Law (IViR) as part of the DTDM research initiative. She has an academic background in both political philosophy and information law, and focuses in her PhD research on the democratic need for contestable online speech governance in relation to European online speech regulation.

**Ronan Fahy** is a Senior Researcher at the Institute for Information Law (IViR), University of Amsterdam, where his research focuses on freedom of expression and platform regulation. Ronan is also member of the Digital Services Act (DSA) Observatory at IViR.

**João Pedro Quintais** is Assistant Professor at the Institute for Information Law (IViR), University of Amsterdam, where his research focuses on fundamental rights, the regulation of platforms and algorithmic content moderation. João is Co-Director of the Information Policy Lab and member of the Digital Services Act (DSA) Observatory, both at IViR.
**Christina Dinar** studied social work and cultural studies, gender studies and theology at Humboldt University Berlin and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel. From 2013-2015 she worked in community management at Wikimedia Germany. From 2015-2019 she developed and led digital projects on anti-discrimination work online at the Amadeu Antonio Foundation and has spoken and written widely as an expert on solutions to Hate Speech. From 2018-2020, she served as deputy director of the Center for Internet and Human Rights (CIHR). In June 2021, she joined the Leibniz Institute for Media Research | Hans Bredow Institute in the research program 'Regulatory Structures and Rule Formation in Digital Communication Spaces'.

**Ohad Somech** is a Post-Doctoral Fellow at the BIU LawData lab, where he researches the relation between AI and social norms. Ohad’s research interests include emerging technologies, regulation of markets and digital platforms, as well as private law and theory. Ohad completed his LL.B. (with honors) and his B.A. in psychology at the Tel-Aviv University, where he also wrote his Ph.D. dissertation, entitled “Contractual Regret: A Psychological Perspective,” under the supervision of Prof. Nili Cohen and Prof. Roy Kreitner. Ohad completed his LL.M. studies (first in class) at the universities of Bologna and Hamburg as part of the European Program for Law and Economics (EMLE). He was awarded a scholarship from the Bucerius Institute. Upon completing his Ph.D. studies, Ohad was a post-doctoral student at the Sciences-Po Law School and later at Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Tel Aviv University. In 2020 Ohad was part of a group of researchers (CI) awarded the Volkswagen Stiftung Grant for the study of Artificial Intelligence and the Society of the Future.

**Maayan Perel** is an assistant professor at the Netanya Academic College. She was a research fellow at the Center for Cyber, Law and Policy (CCLP) and a post-doctoral student at the Haifa Center for Law and Technology (HCLT). Maayan received her LL.B. (with honors) and her B.A. in economics from Haifa University in 2008, her LL.M. (first in class) from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in 2009 and her S.J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 2014. She was awarded the Israeli Science Foundation competitive grant twice (with prof. Niva Elkin-Koren); first for a study about AI-based enforcement of copyrights and later for a study about access to platforms’ data for research purposes. She is also the chief editor of the Netanya Law Review. Maayan's research focuses on the implications of content moderation by Artificial Intelligence on fundamental rights and democratic principles. She often uses digital copyright as a case study for exploring the challenges arising from speech governance by dominant platforms using advanced technologies.
**Niva Elkin-Koren** is a Professor of Law at Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law, and a Faculty Associate at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society at Harvard University. She was the founding director of the Center for Cyber, Law and Policy (CCLP) and of the Haifa Center for Law & Technology (HCLT). During 2009-2012 she served as Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Haifa. Prof. Elkin-Koren has been a Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard University, Columbia Law School, UCLA, NYU, George Washington University and Villanova University School of Law. She is the Chair of the Scientific Advisory Council, of the Alexander von Humboldt Institute for Internet and Society in Berlin, a member of the Executive Committee of Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP), and a board member of the MIPLC Scientific Advisory Board at the Munich IP Law Center, Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition.

**Zohar Efroni** leads the Research Group "Frameworks for Data Markets" at the Weizenbaum Institute. He completed his legal studies in Israel (LL.B., 1999), USA (LL.M. IP, 2002), and Germany (Dr. iur., 2009). During his doctorate, he was a scholarship holder at the Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition in Munich. His book on the challenges of digitalisation for the copyright system was published in 2011 by Oxford University Press. In 2012, he co-founded the Humboldt Law Clinic – Internet Law (HLCI) and was a Non-Resident Fellow at the Center for Internet and Society, Stanford Law School (USA). He has published several papers on the interaction of technology and the law. He conducts research in the areas of data markets, information technology law, and intellectual property.

**Suzanne Vergnolle** is a researcher and a teaching fellow working at the intersection of Law, Technology, and Public Policy. Suzanne is currently a Post-doctoral Fellow at the Swiss Institute for Comparative Law and at the University of Lausanne (UNIL) where she works on Tech Law and is an advisor for the LLM program in International Business Law. As a Fulbright and Georges Lurcy Visiting Researcher at Georgia Tech, she worked on Privacy, Data Protection Law and International Criminal Cooperation. Suzanne completed her doctorate in Data Protection Law at University Paris II Panthéon-Assas. She is the author of various papers on Privacy Law, Data Protection Law, Enforcement of Digital Rights, and Open Data.