ECIS European Committee for Interoperable Systems

DIGITAL SOVEREIGNTY AND CYBER SECURITY RESILIENCE

1 DECEMBER 2021 15:00 TO 16:30 CET, VIRTUAL EVENT VIA WEBEX

The European Committee for Interoperable Systems (ECIS) invites you to its event which will focus on **Digital Sovereignty** and Cyber Security Resilience

Among the objectives of Digital Sovereignty policy are to make Europe independent, more autonomous, to oversee data transfers to third countries and to create European industry leaders in Digital, including in cyber security. Yet raising the level of cyber security resilience necessitates the rapid sharing of data, about malicious actors, and exchanging threat intelligence. Cyber resilience also does not necessarily mean data centres need to be located locally. With more cyber regulation on the horizon, how can Europe reconcile these apparently conflicting requirements and policy goals?

Our expert keynote speakers will provide their point of view from a research angle – this will be followed by a reaction from industry and other stakeholders.

AGENDA

- Welcome and opening remarks by Thomas Vinje, Chairman of ECIS, Partner and Co-Chair of the Global Antitrust Group at Clifford Chance
- Discussion chaired by Lara Natale, EU digital policy expert
- Peter FateInig, Minister Counsellor for Digital Economy Policy, Delegation of the European Union to the United States
- Hannah Bracken, Digital Policy Advisor, The International Trade Administration
- **Przemysław Roguski**, Lecturer in Law at the Jagiellonian University, cybersecurity and international law
- Paul Timmers, Professor, European University Cyprus, University of Oxford, Cybersecurity, strategic autonomy and sovereignty
- Jonathan Sage, Chair of the EU Public Affairs Group, ECIS
- Q&A for the general audience
- Closing remarks by Lara Natale, Moderator

BIOGRAPHIES



WELCOME, INTRODUCTION: THOMAS VINJE

Thomas Vinje is Partner and Co-Chair of the Global Antitrust group at Clifford Chance LLP, as well as the Co-Chair of the Firm's Public Policy Practice and Head of its Technology Sector Group. He is specialized in European Union antitrust and intellectual property law, especially in technology matters.

Thomas has authored numerous articles on intellectual property and competition issues. He lectures at the Universities of Amsterdam and Zurich and sits on the Board of Editors for 'Computer und Recht International' and 'European Intellectual Property Review'.

Thomas was named 'Lawyer of the Year' by Global Competition Review and has also been recognised as a leading competition expert by Chambers, Legal 500 and Expert Guides, with one client describing him as "one of the most exceptional competition lawyers in the world." (Chambers)



PANELIST: PETER FATELNIG

Peter FateInig is Minister-Counsellor for Digital Economy Policy at the Delegation of the European Union to the United States and resides in Washington DC since 2018. Since his arrival, digital economy policy became a top-priority in the EU-US relations. He - with a small team - covers all aspects of the broader conversation of digital tech in society and economy. A senior manager at the European Commission since 1998 he is committed to a positive European vision of a society and economy driven by technology. Prior to the EU he worked on international assignments for the strategy consulting firm American Management Systems, and for the European Space Agency, in the Netherlands. Peter holds a Master degree in Communication Engineering from the University of Technology in Graz, Austria, and is a senior member of the IEEE. He is married and has raised two daughters.

The EU Delegation was first established in Washington, DC in 1954 and now represents the European Union across the United States. It has expanded to host staff of the European Parliament Liaison Office, EUROPOL, the European Central Bank, the European Investment Bank and the European Air Safety Agency.

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PANELIST: PRZEMYSŁAW ROGUSKI

Przemysław Roguski is a Lecturer in Law at the Jagiellonian University in Kraków (Poland) and an expert on cybersecurity and international law at the Kościuszko Institute. His research focuses on the law of peacetime cyber operations and different aspects of international law relating to cybersecurity, ICT and internet governance. He is a former visiting fellow at the Hague Program for Cyber Norms and a regular speaker on cyber issues at international conferences and workshops (Hague Cyber Norms Conference 2018, CyCon 2019, CyCon 2020).

Przemysław holds law degrees from the University of Mainz (Germany), Trinity College Dublin (Ireland) and a PhD in international law from Jagiellonian University. His PhD thesis on "Cyber Operations in International Law" has been awarded the Marian Rejewski Prize by the Polish Ministry of Defence.



PANELIST: PAUL TIMMERS

Paul Timmers is a research associate at the University of Oxford (Oxford Internet Institute), professor at European University Cyprus and co-founder of the cybersecurity expertise centre Cyber.Cerides. He is also a visiting professor at Rijeka University, senior advisor to EPC Brussels, board member of Digital Enlightenment Forum and supervisory board member of the Estonian eGovernance Academy.

He has been a Director at the European Commission dealing with EU legislation and funding for cybersecurity, e-ID, digital privacy, digital health, smart cities, e-government. He was also a cabinet member of European Commissioner Liikanen and until recently advisor to the European Commission, DG SANTE on digital health. He worked as manager in a large ICT company and cofounded an ICT start-up. Paul holds a physics PhD from Nijmegen University, MBA from Warwick University, was awarded an EU fellowship at UNC Chapel Hill, and obtained cybersecurity qualification at Harvard.

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PANELIST: HANNAH BRACKEN

Hannah Bracken is a Policy Analyst focused on data flows in the U.S. Department of Commerce's Office of Digital Services Industries. Hannah previously worked on digital policy at the U.S. Mission to the European Union in Brussels and before that was part of the digital economy team at Cullen International, where she focused on cybersecurity policy.

Hannah received her Master's from Sciences Po in Paris and worked as a trainee lawyer in Paris for a year. Hannah obtained her Bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago.



MODERATOR: LARA NATALE

Lara Natale is a Brussels-based independent advisor and expert in tech and digital policy.

Most recently, Lara directed the Tech, Media, Telecom and Mobility activities at the Centre on Regulation in Europe (CERRE). Lara also coled the Tech, Media, Telecoms practice at FTI Consulting EU, providing strategic EU public policy and regulatory counsel to global businesses and served as Attachée at the (then-named) UK Permanent Representation to the EU, negotiating digital, culture, skills and other legislation.



PANELIST: JONATHAN SAGE

Jonathan Sage was until recently the EU policy lead on cyber security and cloud computing, within IBM's Government and Regulatory Affairs team. He also led IBM policy initiatives in Europe in terms of open standards, open source and interoperability. He is currently Chair of the ECIS Public Affairs Group, and Chair of the Governing Body of the EU Cloud Code of Conduct.

In previous roles, Jonathan was IBM's policy lead in Intellectual Property and led IBM's involvement in EU Framework Programme research. Before that, he was managing consultant in the IBM's Strategic Change consulting practice in the public sector based in Belgium. Before joining PricewaterhouseCoopers where he led the EMEA internal knowledge management team, and then IBM, Jonathan was marketing director for a UK software company which pioneered the first internet applications. He spent 6 years as Commercial Attaché for the British Embassy in Vienna responsible for trade relations in the capital goods sector. While in that role, he was Assistant Professor at the University of Business Administration and Economics in Vienna. He was also on the faculty of the Open University Business School for its MBA course and tutor in Strategy. Jonathan is currently an external lecturer at the College of Europe in Bruges where he leads the annual IBM seminar on technology and regulation.

ABOUT ECIS

ECIS is an international non-profit association founded in 1989 that endeavours to promote a favourable environment for interoperable ICT solutions. It has actively represented its members on issues relating to interoperability and competition before European, international and national fora, including the EU institutions and WIPO.

ECIS' members include large and smaller information and communications technology hardware and software providers.

The association strives to promote market conditions in the ICT sector that ensure that there is vigorous competition on the merits and a diversity of consumer choice.

Any individual or organisation may apply to be admitted as a member of ECIS. In order to be admitted as a member, the applicant must show that it shares ECIS' philosophic views and aims, and that its conduct reflects this. Interested member candidates should contact the ECIS Secretariat at info@ecis.eu.