



**CDT Europe advocates for the promotion and protection of democracy and human rights in European tech law and policy.**

CDT Europe is a non-for-profit organisation that works to increase equality, amplify voices, and promote human rights in European level tech law and policy debates. We champion policies, laws, and technical designs that protect against invasive, discriminatory, and exploitative uses of new technologies.

We are part of CDT Global, which has offices in Washington DC and Brussels.

## **Our Programmes**

### **1 Online Expression & Civic Space**

The programme is dedicated to platform governance, content moderation and the preservation of fundamental rights in the online space. It seeks to:

- Ensure online platforms are transparent, accountable, and respect human rights;
- Protect user rights online, in particular, freedom of expression and access to information;
- Combat online harms such as hate speech and online gender based violence.

### **2 Equity & Data**

The programme ensures that fundamental rights are upheld in tech policy and regulation, advocating for:

- Human rights risks and harms to be assessed, documented and addressed in the development and deployment of AI systems and models.
- Transparency, explainability and remedies for individuals affected by automated processes.
- The availability and accessibility of robust, publicly available information on new technologies.

### **3 Security, Surveillance & Human Rights**

The programme advocates for strong privacy protections to:

- Ensure individuals' personal information is secure from unwarranted government surveillance and law enforcement overreach.
- Ensure government accountability and adequate checks and balances to safeguard fundamental rights.
- Advocating for the development, use and protection of strong encryption technologies to protect communications and data from unauthorised access.

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