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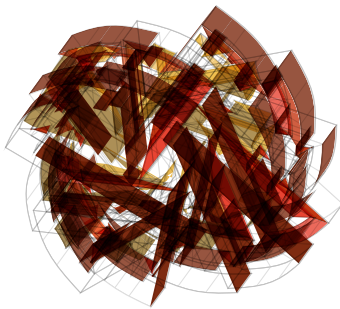
## Open Legislative Data in Paris

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At the time when websites seeking to provide users with various data concerning their parliament, are multiplying worldwide, at the time when cyber revolution challenges the fundamentals of the representative regimes, Sciences Po holds an international meeting to examine the relationships between IT technologies, web and parliaments.

**Open Legislative Data:** the conference organised by the Centre d'études européennes, the Medialab (Sciences Po) and the association Regards Citoyens has two main objectives:

- To discuss the latest developments regarding parliamentary informatics: parliamentary open data, law tracking, parliamentary monitoring, and e-parliament among others.
- To bring together groups, which usually do not communicate: academics specialized in legislative studies, open data activists, associations, international organizations and businesses operating in this field.

Speakers from all over the world will share their experiences, discuss their results, and compare the latest IT developments. Members of regions ranging from Africa to Latin America will be particularly represented.

## L'Open Data au Parlement

### Une conférence du troisième type avec des universitaires et des activistes

A l'heure où les sites web se multiplient de par le monde pour présenter aux internautes diverses données relatives à leur parlement, à l'heure où la révolution numérique interroge les fondamentaux des régimes représentatifs, une rencontre internationale se tient à Sciences Po pour faire le point des rapports entre informatique, web et parlements.

**Open Legislative Data :** cette conférence organisée par le Centre d'études européennes, le Médialab (Sciences Po) et l'association Regards Citoyens a un double objectif.

- Discuter les derniers développements dans le domaine de l'utilisation informatique des données parlementaire : l'open data au parlement, l'analyse informatique du processus législatif ou *law tracking*, le suivi numérique des activités parlementaires ou *parliamentary monitoring*, l'e-parlement...
- Réunir des groupes qui n'en ont pas l'habitude : des universitaires spécialistes du parlement, des militants de l'open data, des associations, organisations internationales et entreprises oeuvrant dans ce domaine

Des intervenants issus du monde entier viendront partager leurs expériences, discuter leurs résultats, comparer les développements informatiques les plus récents. Les pays du Sud, de l'Afrique à l'Amérique latine seront particulièrement représentés.



# **FRIDAY, JULY 6<sup>th</sup> MORNING (Sciences Po, Amphitheatre Caquot, 28 rue des Saints Pères, 75007 – Paris)**

8.45-9.15: Registration, Welcome Coffee

9.15-10.30: Opening plenary

**Olivier Rozenberg (Sciences Po, CEE)**  
Welcoming Address

**Regards Citoyens**  
Presentation of the Law Factory project

**Scott Hubli (National Democratic Institute) and Maria Baron (Fundacion Directorio Legislativo, Argentina)**  
Towards a Declaration on Parliamentary Openness

**10.30-10.45: Coffee Break**

**10.45-12.45: Plenary Session**

**Daniel Schuman (Sunlight Foundation, USA)**  
Transparency in the US Congress USA (10')

**Claire-Emmanuelle Longuet (Conseiller, Direction de la Séance, Sénat, France)**  
AMELI and BASILE: Informatics tools and the Sénat's procedure (5')

**Ashok Hariharan (UN/DESA - Africa i-Parliaments, Kenya)**  
Akoma Ntoso and Bungeni: Open standards and Open Source Applications for a sustainable open access to parliamentary activities: the experiences and applications of Africa i-Parliaments (10')

**Ana Carvalho and Ricardo Lafuente (Manufactura Independente, Portugal)**  
Persuasive Interfaces (5')

**Brian Crisp, Matt Gabel, Simon Hug (Washington University in St. Louis, USA)**  
Roll call Votes and Transparency (10')

**Alexandre Girard (Tetalab France)**  
Politimap: Visualizing Parliamentary Activities (5')

**Jonathan Bright (European University Institute, Italy)**  
Measuring Legislative Oversight (10')

**Baptiste Coulmont (Université Paris 8, France)**  
Collaboration Network Among Political Groups (5')

**Gregor Hackmack (ParliamentWatch, Germany)**  
ParliamentWatch (10')

**Adrian Moraru (Institute for Public Policy, Romania)**  
Using IT Technology in Roll Call Analysis to Make the Romanian MP More Accountable (5')

**Tom Steinberg (My society, UK)**  
Three great unsolved problems of digital parliamentary monitoring (10')

**Stefan Marsiske (Free software developer, Hungary)**  
Hacking for Freedom in the EU (5')

**Dirk Junge and Daniel Finke (MZES, University of Mannheim, Germany)**  
Unveiling Bargaining in Legislatures: how Parliaments Shape Policy Proposals and What Legislative Behaviour Can Tell Us About That (10')

**FRIDAY, JULY 6<sup>th</sup>, AFTERNOON (Sciences Po, 13 rue de l'Université, 75007 Paris)**

**14.00-15.45: SESSION 1: Law Tracking I (up to 10 minutes by talk) (Room J 208)**

**Lee Peoples (Oklahoma City University, USA)**

Testing the Limits of WestlawNext

**Vincent Rasneur (France)**

Parsing the French "Journal Officiel" to Show the Evolution of Law

**Margaret Ariotti (Pennsylvania State University, USA)**

The Penn State Legislative Speech Projects

**Guibert Sandrine (Magillem, France)**

Impact analysis and Consolidation of Regulatory and Legislative Texts Using JORF LEGI Flows

**Maria Baron (Fundacion Directorio Legislativo, Argentina)**

Latin America: an overview of organizations that pressure Parliaments towards more transparency

**Jacques Servier (UTC, France)**

Visualising the Law, a Cartographic Exploration Device of French Legislation

**14.00-15.45: SESSION 2: Parliamentary Monitoring (up to 10 minutes by talk) (Room J 210)**

**Aspasia Papaloi ( University of Athens, Greece)**

The role of transparency and the (trans)formation of democracy through an open legislative process

**Aline Pennisi (Openpolis, Italy)**

Open parlamento, Productivity index, the Open Polis Experience With "Camere Aperte"

**Guillermo Ávila (Fundar, Center of Analysis and Research Cityvox, Mexico)**

Curul 501. Your Seat in Congress

**Orsolya Vincze (K-Monitor Watchdog for Public Funds, Hungary)**

Tracking Conflict of Interest, Lobby and Corruption Through Open Legislative Data

**Tiina Ruohonen (Holder de ord, Norway)**

Holder de ord: Introducing Monitory Democracy to Norway – Methodology and lessons learnt

**Ignas Rubikas and Mano Seimas (Transparency International,Lithuania)**

Accessing and Socializing. Parliamentary Data in Lithuania

**Bogdan Manolea (Association for Technology and Internet – ApTI, Romania)**

Romanian Examples of Open Legislative Data

**14.00-15.45: SESSION 3: Roll call Votes Analysis and Accountability (up to 10 minutes by talk) (Room J 211)**

**Michal Skop (University of Hradec KOHOVOLIT Kralove, Czech Republic)**

Roll-call analyses in motion

**Mihail Chiru (Central European University Budapest and Median Research Center Bucharest, Romania)**

The Trap of Self-Evident Statistics: Parliamentary Monitoring Tools in Romania

**Marco Bani (Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy)**

We-transparency: Grassroots Transparency Policies

**Jami Pekkanen (Kansan muisti ry, Finland)**

Calculating Honesty: Quantitative Comparison of Election Promises and Delivery

Ramiro Alvarez, (ADC, Argentina)

Is Open Data the Key to Open Congress' Lock? A Proposal for Developing Countries

### **15.45-16.15: Coffee Break**

### **16.15-18.00: SESSION 4: Law Tracking or Law Hacking II (up to 10 minutes by talk) (Room J 208)**

Erik Josefsson (Greens/EFAGroup, European Parliament)

Presentation of the European Parliament's Automatic Tool for Amendments (at4am)

François Briatte (IEP Grenoble, France)

Turning Parliamentary Websites into Legislative Data: A Look at Debate Allocation in the French National Assembly

Lewis John McGibbney (Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland, UK)

Through the Spyglass: User-Oriented Drafting Work-Flows for Secondary Legislation Artifacts

Enrico Borghetto (University of Milan, Italy)

Italian: Law-Making Archive: A New Tool For the Analysis Of the Italian Legislative Process

Vincent Michel (Logilab, France)

Information Extraction from News Articles Using Open Datasets

### **16.15-18.00: SESSION 5: Opening Legislative Data in Challenging Environments (up to 10 minutes by talk) (Room J 210)**

David Pulkol (Africa Leadership Institute, Uganda)

Parliamentary Monitoring in Uganda

Chakshu Roy (PRS Legislative Research, India)

Effectiveness of Legislatures in Developing Countries

Constantin Vica (University of Bucharest, Romania)

Open Data and the Quest of Meaning

Fabrizio Scrollini (University of Tasmania, Australia)

Access to Information and Open Government Data in Latin America

Alvaro Mouriño (Uruguay)

Available Does not Mean Open: The Challenge of Scraping

Rashaad Alli (Voice of the People, South Africa)

Parliamentary Monitoring Group

Selim Kharrat (Al Bawsala, Tunisia)

Introducing Marsad.tn

### **16.15-18.00: SESSION 6: Involving All Citizens in the Legislative Process and Parliament Monitoring (up to 10 minutes by talk) (Room J 211)**

Pedro Markun (Transparência Hacker, Brazil)

Hacker Bus - Taking the Action Down to the Ground

Peninah Mutuneh (SODNET, Kenya)

Huduma

Daniel Devatman Hromada (Kyberia think tank, Slovakia)

Initiation to Parallel Democracy Model

Emanuele Achino (Politecnico di Torino, Italy)

Hack / Hacking Movements: Participation and Communication Technology in the Information Societies

Elira Zaka (Centre for Parliamentary Studies, Albania)  
Open Parliament-Basis for Transparency and Accountability of MPs

Leo Lahti (Louhos, Finland)  
Open Analytics for Parliamentary Data in Finland

## **18.00-19.30: Cocktail**

**SATURDAY, JULY 7<sup>th</sup> (“La Cantine”, 151 rue Montmartre, Passage des Panoramas  
12 Galerie Montmartre, 75002 Paris)**

**9.00-9.30: Welcome Coffee**

**9.30-10.30 Open discussions on collaboration and sharing tools for Open Legislative Data**

Moderators: Pedro Markun (Transparencia Hackers Brazi) and Tom Steinberg (MySociety, UK)

**10.30-12.30: Technical and advocacy workshop sessions/ Informal talks**

**12.30-13.00: Declaration on Parliamentary Openness**

**13.00-14.00: Lunch buffet**

**14.00: Informal Talks**



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