

Hacking for freedom in the EU

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the collateral benefits of ACTA et al

Open (legislative) data/Transparency is a **tool** not a goal!
The goal is **accountability** and **protecting freedom**.

- ▶ collateral damage of overzealous legislative action
- ▶ policy-influencing toolbox

detect

case_1: interpreting law proposals

Pippi Longstrings (<http://pippi.euwiki.org>)

A free plagiarism detector, for tracing and commenting legal texts for non-lawyers.

- ▶ finds shared text blocks between documents, e.g. EIF2 co-authored by BSA¹, CARIFORUM (IPRED1 art 8 copypaste)²
- ▶ tracking national transposition of eu legislation
- ▶ collaborative commenting
- ▶ directly linkable eurlex texts³
- ▶ guttenplag
- ▶ comparing Hungarian Constitution 1949 vs 1989

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¹<http://fsfe.org/projects/os/eifv2.en.html>

²<http://www.ip-watch.org/weblog/2009/12/21/acta-may-prompt-quick-restart-to-eu-harmonisation-of-criminal-enforcement-of-ip/>

³http://pippi.euwiki.org/doc/directive/2009/140/EC#Article_6

the information communicated pursuant to this Article; govern responsibility for misuse of the right of information; afford an opportunity for refusing to provide information which would force the person referred to in paragraph 1 to admit to his own participation or that of his close relatives in an infringement of an intellectual property right; or govern the protection of confidentiality of information sources or the processing of personal data.

1. The EC Party and the Signatory CARIFORUM States shall ensure that the competent judicial authorities may order, at the request of the applicant and without prejudice to any damages due to the right holder by reason of the infringement, and without compensation of any sort, the recall, definitive removal from channels of commerce or destruction of goods that they have found to be infringing an intellectual property right.

(c) (d)

2. The EC Party and the Signatory CARIFORUM States shall ensure that those measures are carried out at the expense of the infringer, unless particular reasons are invoked for not doing so.

(e)

Article 158 Injunctions The EC Party and the Signatory CARIFORUM States shall ensure that, where a judicial decision is taken finding an infringement of an intellectual property right, the judicial authorities may issue against the infringer an injunction aimed at prohibiting the continuation of the infringement. Where provided for by national law, non-compliance with an injunction shall, where appropriate, be subject to a recurring penalty payment, with a

Article 156 Provisional and precautionary measures 1. The EC Party and the Signatory CARIFORUM States shall ensure that the judicial authorities may, at the request of the applicant issue an interlocutory injunction intended to prevent

view to ensuring compliance. The EC Party and the Signatory CARIFORUM States shall also ensure that right holders are in a position to apply for an injunction against intermediaries whose services are used by a third party to infringe an intellectual property right.

costs which generally require that the unsuccessful party will bear the costs, unless equity requires that costs be allocated otherwise.

Article 162 Article 159 Alternative measures The EC Party and the Signatory CARIFORUM States may provide that, in appropriate cases and at the request of the person liable to be subject to the

monitor

case_2: legislative process monitoring

<http://parltrack.euwiki.org>


- ▶ tracking, analysis & commenting.
- ▶ links to texts on Pippi

Aggregating Data

- ▶ Members of the EU parliament,
- ▶ dossiers in the legislative pipeline,
- ▶ committee agendas,
- ▶ vote results from the plenary minutes.

Why?

- ▶ tabling deadlines for amendments
- ▶ who are the important MEPs to talk to
- ▶ where are the offices in the EP of various MEPs
- ▶ who are the assistants of the MEPs
- ▶ which MEP has taken responsibility for which issues,
- ▶ who are the influential MEPs related to a issue,
- ▶ forecasts for next steps on issues in the EP and committees (e.g. tabling deadlines for amendments)



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Active Dossiers

Dossiers Stats Calendar

Dossier	Forecasts	Stage Reached	Legal Basis	Name	Committee Dossier	Rapporteur	Commission Doc
20110392(COO)	20120505 - (BUDG) Tabling Deadline More.	Awaiting Parliament 1st reading / single reading / budget 1st stage	TFEU TFEU 172	European satellite navigation systems: implementation and exploitation	ITRE/109001	MARINESCU Marian-Jean (EPP)	COM/2011/0814
20110386(COO)	20120507 - (IMCO) Tabling Deadline More.	Awaiting Parliament 1st reading / single reading / budget 1st stage	TFEU TFEU 172	Trans-European energy infrastructure: guidelines	ITRE/107672	CORREIA DE CAMPOS Antonio Fernando (S&D)	COM/2011/0698
20110339(COO)	20120507 - (BUDG) Tabling Deadline More.	Awaiting Parliament 1st reading / single reading / budget 1st stage	TFEU TFEU 168-p5	Health for Growth Programme 2014-2020	ENI/107740	GROSSETÊTE Françoise (EPP)	COM/2011/0709
20112298(REG)	20120507 - Deadline Amendments	Awaiting Parliament 1st reading / single reading / budget 1st stage	RoP 212	EP Rules of Procedure, Rule 70: interinstitutional negotiations in legislative procedure	AFCO/106609	GUERRERO SALOM Enrique (S&D)	
20120024(CNS)	20120507 - Deadline Amendments More.	Awaiting Parliament 1st reading /	TFEU TFEU 200	Association of the overseas countries and territories (OCTs) with the European Community as from 1 January 2002	DEV/108862	PONGA Maurice (EPP)	COM/2012/0061

act

case_3: scrutinizing representatives

Political Memory

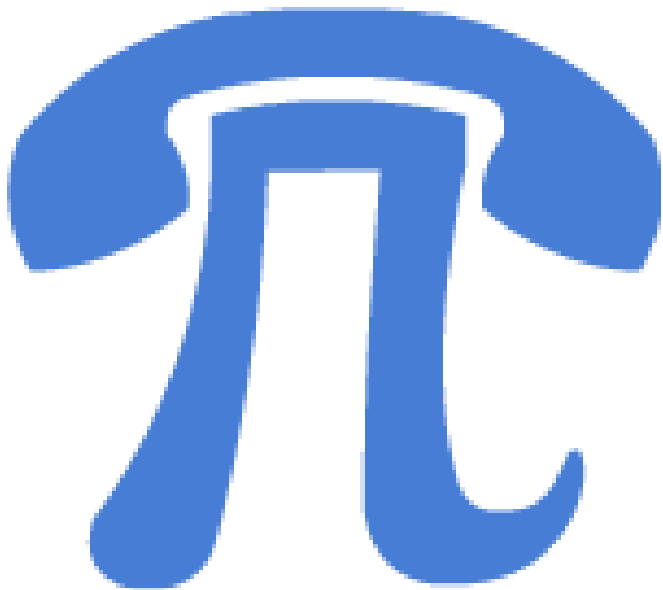
Creating vote-recommendations and scoring the MEPs based on vote results

for activists:

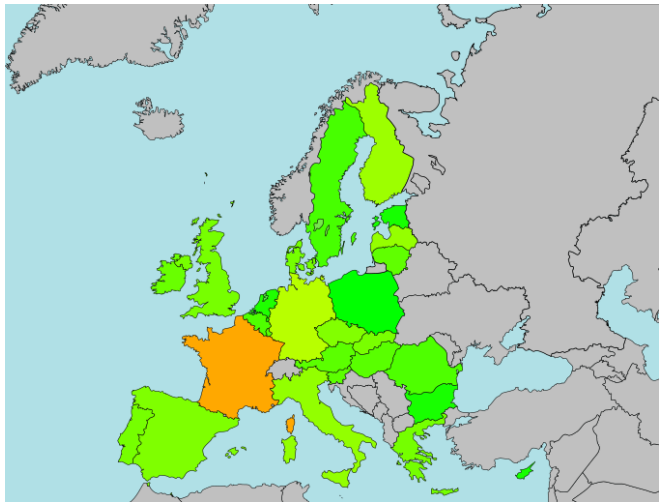
- ▶ tracking MEPs
- ▶ increasing the political cost of doing harm

for (not-yet-activist-)citizens:

- ▶ eye-opening collective memory
- ▶ claiming political role
- ▶ reducing barriers to giving feedback to our elected representatives



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EPIC WIN!!!!!!

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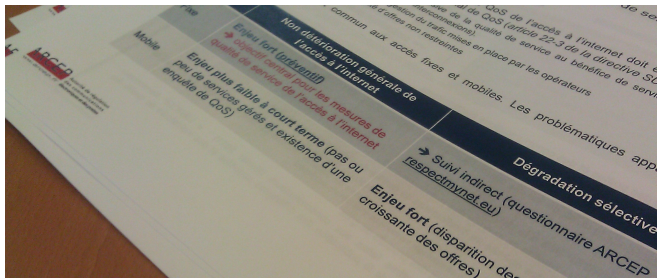
(fuck yeah!!!!)

initiate

case_4: Network Neutrality

Respect My Net

- ▶ helping Regulatory Authorities
- ▶ providing input to “Report for Net Neutrality and Quality of Service” for European Regulators Group for electronic communications (BEREC)



Respect My Net

name and shame operators restricting access to the Internet

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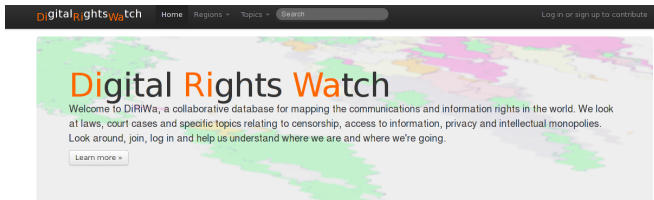
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New	Austria	YESSS!	Data Package	Jabber/XMPP		Mobile	0	Me too!
Out of scope	Belgium	Belgacom	All	thepiratebay.com	Blocking	Fixed	22	Me too!

analyze

case_5: legislative comparison

World CIA factbook of digital rights



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Digital Rights Watch website. It includes the logo "DigitalRightsWaTch" on the left, and links for "Home", "Regions", "Topics", and a "Search" input field. On the right side of the bar, there is a link that says "Log in or sign up to contribute". Below the navigation bar is a large banner featuring a world map with various regions highlighted in green, yellow, and pink. The banner contains the text "Digital Rights Watch" in a large, bold font, followed by a welcome message: "Welcome to DiRiWa, a collaborative database for mapping the communications and information rights in the world. We look at laws, court cases and specific topics relating to censorship, access to information, privacy and intellectual monopolies. Look around, join, log in and help us understand where we are and where we're going." At the bottom of the banner is a button labeled "Learn more >".

Comcast no longer... |

Facebook

USA **Network Neutrality**

For example, if I watch last night's SNL episode on my Xbox through the Hulu app, it eats up about one gigabyte of my cap, but if I watch that same episode through the

Say 'hello' to CISPA, it will remind you of SOPA | Internet & Media - CNET News

Censorship

Code Not Physical Property, Court Rules in Goldman Sachs Espionage Case | Threat Level | Wired.com

Security

Hungary

The digital rights situation in Hungary is (worrying)

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This country is a signatory of the **Berne convention**.



This country is a signatory of the **UCC Geneva**



This country is a signatory of the **UCC Paris**



This country is a signatory of the **TRIPS** treaty.



This country is a signatory of the **WCT** treaty.

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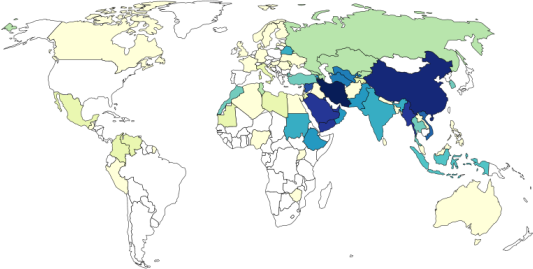
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<http://opennet.net>

Measure

Total Conflict/Security Political Social Tools



Republic of Georgia

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