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Discipline: Law

Title: European and international data law: Empirical perspectives

Abstract: Researchers with innovative research projects on European and international data law are invited to broaden, strengthen and/or critically question existing knowledge on European Union (EU) and global data law, and most notably privacy and data protection law, with original empirical research on contemporary data practices – in particular, on how individuals and groups are made to generate data, on how they are conditioned by data, and on how they contest or attempt to counter their being governed through data, as well as the role of law in these processes. Projects might study the operationalisation of digital rights in international, European and national legal instruments and case-law, encompassing connected inter-jurisdictional and cross-border challenges, and cover a variety of areas in which data and data rights are being developed, transformed or threatened (education, health, migration, security, humanitarian action, etc.). Particularly welcomed are trans- and inter-disciplinary proposals potentially connecting law with critical theory, philosophy, computer science, digital sociology, surveillance, security, critical data, gender, Science, Technology and Society (STS), or any other relevant studies. Researchers will join the transdisciplinary Law, Science, Technology and Society (LSTS) Research Group of VUB’s Faculty of Law and Criminology, and benefit from its internationally recognised research excellence in the area of privacy and data protection law, its unique research environment, and its privileged location at the heart of European (data) politics. Involvement in, and enjoyment of, educational and training possibilities related to EU data law and policies will be examined in advance. Depending on the proposal’s scope, ad-hoc synergies between its content and the Brussels Privacy Hub (BPH) or ongoing research projects at LSTS will be developed.

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