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CALL FOR PAPERS

TRANSATLANTIC DATA PRIVACY RELATIONSHIPS AS A CHALLENGE FOR DEMOCRACY **European Integration and Democracy Series, Vol. 4**

The [Centre for Direct Democracy Studies](#) (CDDS), University of Białystok, Poland (UwB) is pleased to announce a call for papers for the upcoming fourth volume in the *European Integration and Democracy* series, devoted to transatlantic data privacy relationships as a challenge for democracy.

The Centre, aiming to foster both academic research and policy analysis about the challenges posed by European integration to the notion of democracy, in 2012 established a dedicated, peer-reviewed book series that produced, up-to-date, three volumes, each analysing a single challenge.¹ From the third volume onwards, [Intersentia](#) – a Belgian-based reputable international printing house – publishes the series in accordance with the [Guaranteed Peer-Review Contents](#) (GPRC) standard. To satisfy its multiple curiosities, for the present volume, the Centre has joined forces with the [Research Group on Law, Science, Technology & Society](#) (LSTS), Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium (VUB) and the [Centre for Commercial Law](#) (CCL), Bond University, Australia.

Topics of interest

The idea for the fourth volume in the series to be devoted to Euro-Atlantic data privacy relationships is obviously driven by the 2013 U.S. National Security Agency surveillance scandal and its ramifications. Much ink has been already spilled over legal and political aspects and consequences thereof, but yet not much attention has been paid to how the transatlantic governance of data privacy challenges the concepts of democracy, rule of law and fundamental rights.

Therefore, in the present call for papers, the Centre and its partners ask for high quality contributions, multidisciplinary if suitable, analysing in particular the following challenges for democracy:

- **information crosses the Atlantic (setting the scene):** transatlantic (data privacy) relationships in general terms and from the historical perspective;
- **transatlantic approaches to human rights:** models of data privacy governance, their convergence; global standard(s) for data privacy protection; global governance of data privacy; European data privacy standard-setting;
- **European data privacy reform(s):** General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), Modernisation of the Council of Europe's Convention 108; American lobbying thereon;
- **(American) digital security agenda:** Terrorist Finance Tracking Program (TFTP), Passenger Name Record (PNR); activities of the National Security Agency (NSA); digitalisation of state borders;

¹ These are: E. Kuźelewska and D. Kloza (eds.), *The Challenges of Modern Democracy and European Integration*, European Integration and Democracy Series, Vol. 1, Aspra-JR: Warsaw-Białystok 2012, 249 pp.; E. Kuźelewska and D. Kloza (eds.), *Elections to the European Parliament as a Challenge for Democracy*, European Integration and Democracy Series, Vol. 2, Aspra-JR: Warsaw-Białystok 2013, 371 pp.; E. Kuźelewska, D. Kloza, I. Kraśnicka and F. Strzyczkowski (eds.), *European Judicial Systems as a Challenge for Democracy*, European Integration and Democracy Series, Vol. 3, Intersentia: Cambridge 2015, 244 pp.



- **digital economy agenda:** trans-border data flows: adequacy, Safe Harbour and its revision, Binding Corporate Rules (BCR), standard contractual clauses; Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA), Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), Comprehensive Trade and Economic Agreement (CETA), Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA); Data Protection Umbrella Agreement;
- **Silicon Valley surveillance:** data monetisation, big data, open data, profiling, cloud computing;
- **new “tools” of protection:** privacy by design (PbD), privacy impact assessment (PIA), privacy enhancing technologies (PETs);
- **cross-border oversight and enforcement of data privacy laws:** cooperation of supervisory authorities; data breaches; jurisdiction and applicable law;
- **the political economy of information:** governance of online markets, consumers privacy choices;
- **new actors emerge:** European Parliament, European judiciary, national supervisory authorities, advisory boards; advocacy, civil movements, protest, civil society organisations working on digital rights, privacy companies, *actio popularis*, whistle-blowers;
- **(nihil) novi sub sole:** principles (transparency, accountability, risk management; due process); smartness of data processing, bill(s) of (digital) rights, new individual rights (to be forgotten, to data portability, etc.)

Timeline

- **30 November 2015** – deadline for extended abstracts (approx. 1500 words) **(extended)**
- **18 December 2015** – notification of acceptance
- **29 January 2016** – special author’s panel on the 9th [Computers, Privacy and Data Protection \(CPDP\)](#) conference in Brussels (upon invitation; 4-5 selected best papers)
- **31 January 2016** – deadline for the final submission (camera-ready version)
- **30 March 2016** – book ready

Information for the authors

- Submissions will normally be between 6,000 – 15,000 words, although papers of a higher word length may also be submitted subject to negotiation with the Editors.
- Both abstracts and final submissions will be evaluated through a double blind peer review by the Series Editors and by appointed peer reviewers.
- Submissions should be made anonymously in British English and sent via EasyChair platform at <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=eiads4>.
- Questions, if any, should be mailed to eiads4@easychair.org.

We hope you will find this project interesting and inspiring.

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