

SEEDIG 2018 Annual Meeting

Draft programme outline | February 2018

Explanatory note

In response to the joint EuroDIG–SEEDIG call for issues that ran between October and December 2017, [105 proposals](#) were received for issues to be discussed at the SEEDIG 2018 (scheduled to take place on 23–24 May, in Ljubljana, Slovenia). An [overview of the submitted proposals](#) was prepared by the SEEDIG Executive Committee, in an attempt to cluster the submitted issues into more general topics (based on similarities and commonalities). The proposals and the overview were discussed at [two online planning meetings](#), held on 17 and 18 January 2018.

Considering feedback received after the SEEDIG 2017 meeting, it was decided that the SEEDIG 2018 meeting would be expanded to a full two-day event. In this scenario, SEEDIG capacity development programmes – the SEEDIG Youth School and the Fellowship Programme – would be held on day 0 (22 May), depending on availability of funds.

The draft programme outline for the SEEDIG 2018 meeting has been prepared by the Executive Committee. In determining the topics for the sessions included in the outline, as well as the possible format for some sessions, consideration has been given to both submitted proposals, and discussions held at the planning meetings.

During the planning meetings, there was broad support for the continuation of a linear programme for the main event (i.e. no parallel sessions). Unfortunately, the linear structure makes it impossible for the SEEDIG 2018 programme to accommodate all proposed issues at the level of detail suggested by proponents. However, at this stage in the planning process, efforts have been made to allocate all proposals to the sessions outlined in the draft programme. This is why some sessions headlines might seem rather general. In the next steps of the planning process, it will be up to organising teams to narrow down the focus of the session (as explained below and outlined in the [Programme Guidelines](#)).

A headline describing the overall focus of each session has been indicated, as well as the ID number of proposals that we have considered to pertain to the topic of the session. You can find the list of proposals and their corresponding ID numbers in the [full list of proposals](#). Please note that changes could still be made to this initial clustering, based on input from proponents (i.e re-assigning proposals to other sessions). **If you have submitted a proposal and are of the view that your proposal would fit better under another session than the one indicated in the draft programme outline, please let us know.**

Building upon suggestions made by community members, **'data' is proposed as a cross-cutting topic for SEEDIG 2018, and an anchor to link the different sessions included in the programme.** Hence, for most sessions, a data-related anchor is included in the draft programme, in addition to the headline describing the focus of the session.

The headlines and 'data anchors' for the sessions are rather indicative at this stage; further work is to be carried out by organising teams, which will take over the responsibility for building the sessions (deciding the title, agreeing on a more detailed focus of the session and elaborating a session description, determining the format, and identifying moderators and key participants, as applicable). Proponents of issues identified as pertaining to a particular session will be invited to join the organising team for that session. Any other interested individuals will also be welcome to join these teams. For each session, one or two **team leads** will be designated by the Executive Committee; their role is to lead the work of the organising teams while maintaining communication with the Executive Committee. Members of the Executive Committee will also contribute to the planning of the sessions, on an equal basis with all other team members.

Call for comments

The draft programme outline is subject to public comment until 11 February 2018. Submitted comments will be considered for the finalisation of the programme. Please send your comments via e-mail, to seedig@rnids.rs (mailing list) and/or execom@seedig.net (e-mail address).

We would also like to invite you to submit **suggestions for:**

- **An overarching theme for SEEDIG 2018**
Considering the proposal to use data as an overarching topic, the overarching theme could be connected to data as well.
- **A topic for a regional survey** to be carried out before the SEEDIG 2018 meeting, and whose results would feed into the meeting.
(This continues an established [SEEDIG tradition of conducting regional surveys](#), on Internet governance topics, prior the annual meeting).

You can submit your suggestions on these two issues via the mailing list and/or e-mail address indicated above, as well as through our social media channels ([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#)).

Your involvement is key in making SEEDIG 2018 happen. We look forward to hearing from you!

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<p>Day 0 22 May 2018 (tbc, depending on availability of funds)</p>	
<p>SEEDIG Fellowship Programme</p>	<p>SEEDIG Youth School</p>
<p>Introduction to Internet governance [For newcomers]</p>	
<p>Day 1 23 May 2018</p>	
<p>09:00 – 09:15</p>	<p>Opening & Welcoming remarks</p>
<p>09:15 – 10:30</p>	<p><i>Data & data governance in SEE¹</i> (S1) Digitalisation & digital policy in SEE: National priorities and regional cooperation [High-level session] Relevant proposals: 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 20, 21, 23, 24, 39, 51, 72, 103</p>
<p>10:30 – 11:00</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>11:00 – 12:30</p>	<p><i>Preparing for a data-driven economy in SEE</i> (S2) Digital literacy & e-skills for the digital economy Relevant proposals: 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 48, 71</p>
<p>12:30 – 13:30</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>13:30 – 15:00</p>	<p><i>Data flows: what makes them & breaks them</i> (S3) Is the Internet neutral? From network neutrality to platform neutrality Relevant proposals: 42, 43, 54, 55</p>

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15:00 – 15:30	Break
15:30 – 17:30	<p><i>Data & rights</i> (S4) Digital rights in SEE: Between awareness and enforcement</p> <p>World Café: Pick a theme and join the group to discuss. Pick a second theme and rotate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freedom of expression & access to information • Children rights • Gender rights <p>Relevant proposals: 13, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 35, 37, 39, 53, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 67, 68, 69, 70, 73, 74, 77, 79</p>
18:00	<p><i>Securing your data</i> SEEDIG Crypto party [Informal]</p> <p>Relevant proposals: 28, 34</p>
Day 2 24 May	
09:00 – 10:30	<p><i>Securing all data</i> (S5) Cybersecurity: National frameworks and regional cooperation</p> <p>Relevant proposals: 81, 82, 85, 84, 83, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 93, 95, 96, 97, 98</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 11:30	<p><i>Basic requirements for data flows</i> Lightning talks on technical issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6): Deployment in SEE • Internationalised Domain Names (IDNs): Any progress since SEEDIG 2017? <p>Relevant proposals: 100, 104, 105</p>
11:30 – 13:00	<p><i>Owning, using & governing data</i> (S5) Data economy: Balancing industry needs and human rights</p> <p>Relevant proposals: 22, 25, 32, 33, 36, 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 57, 66, 75, 78, 80, 92, 94</p>

13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	<p><i>Data for development</i> (S7) Data-driven technologies: Enemy, utopia, or opportunity for SEE?</p> <p>World Café: Pick a theme and join the group to discuss. Pick a second theme and rotate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artificial intelligence, automation, and robotics • Blockchain technology • Internet of Things <p>Relevant proposals: 18, 23, 45, 47, 50, 56, 58, 66, 99, 101, 102</p>
16:00 – 16:30	Break
16:30 – 17:30	<p>(S8) Internet governance in SEE: Adding new pieces to the puzzle</p> <p>National and youth IGF initiatives, future SEEDIG activities, feeding into other Internet governance processes at European and global level</p> <p>Relevant proposals: 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 76</p>
17:30	Closing