



Save the date!

South Eastern European Dialogue of Internet Governance

You are invited to the fourth annual meeting of the South Eastern European Dialogue on Internet Governance (SEEDIG) in Ljubljana, Slovenia! Held under the honorary patronage of the President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia, Dr. Milan Brglez, the two-day conference is hosted by the Digitas Institute and supported by several local, regional, and international organisations.

With *'Digital transformation and digital society in SEE'* as the main theme, and data as a cross-cutting topic, this year's meeting will be focusing on what digitalisation and the digital economy mean for South Eastern Europe and the neighbouring area (SEE). A high-level session will kick-start the debate on these and other similar topics, bringing together key participants from the European Parliament, national parliaments from the region, the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), the Internet Society (ISOC), and telecom companies. SEEDIG 2018 attendees will then continue exchanging and collaborating on various hot topics ranging from **digital skills and the data economy, to network and platform neutrality, cybersecurity, digital rights**, and the highlight of this year's Internet governance agenda – **data protection** and the **EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**.

As a community driven initiative, we aim to foster direct engagement with the entire community during meetings – and not only with speakers and panelists. To achieve this, SEEDIG takes advantage of flexible and inclusive session formats, with the programme of this year's meeting featuring crypto-party, lightning talks, and world cafes. Those who cannot join us in situ in Ljubljana are welcome to participate in the discussions via live webstreaming and online participation through a dedicated platform and social media tools.

Media & SEEDIG

Media and its evolution have become irrevocably interwoven with the advancement of the Internet and related technologies in the last ten years. Members of the press and every media industry actor – large or small, local or international, digital or print – are deeply transformed and even disrupted by the Internet and digital technologies.

Including your unique perspective and experiences as media professionals can tremendously contribute to meaningful Internet policy discussions. At a time when headlines are flooded with data protection scandals and cybersecurity incidents, this public interest can be transformed into active participation through platforms that enable exchange and collaboration.

In light of it all, we would like to invite you once again to join us in Ljubljana on 22–24 May!

We welcome any potential coverage or reporting on SEEDIG 2018.

More information on programme details and press requests can be found below.

23–24 May | Ljubljana, Slovenia

SEEDIG 2018



Registration, participation and press requests

- Day 0 is only for press members who would like to cover the event with no participation.
- For on site interviews please contact Ms Su Sonia Herring (*SEEDIG Executive Committee*) by 18 May 2018. (seedig@seedig.net)
- Day 1 and 2 will be open to the active participation of all interested media members as attendees.
- Registration is free through this link until 17 May 2018: <http://seedig.net/registration-seedig-2018/>

*Detailed programme is available here: <http://seedig.net/seedig-2018-programme/>

DAY 0 – 22 May 2018:	SEEDIG Youth School and Fellowship Sessions Introduction to Internet governance for newcomers SEEDIG 2018 Welcome Cocktail (<i>Location: Best Western Premier Hotel Slon</i>)
DAY 1 – 23 May 2018	Opening Remarks All day sessions
DAY 2 – 24 May 2018	All day sessions Closing remarks

SEEDIG

Bringing together the SEE Internet community

SEEDIG is a sub-regional Internet Governance Forum initiative dedicated to facilitating discussions and collaboration on Internet related issues within South East Europe and the neighboring area. This is done through annual meetings, capacity development programmes, and year-round intersessional activities, such as the SEESummary and SEHub – the only digital policy summary and meetings focused on the SEE region.

For press requests, questions or comments please contact Ms Su Sonia Herring at seedig@seedig.net

Register to the event: <http://seedig.net/registration-seedig-2018/>

Fill out our regional survey on digitalisation: <http://seedig.net/survey-2018-digitalisation/>

*Due to limited space at the SEEDIG 2018 Welcome Cocktail, attendees are kindly requested to RSVP via seedig@seedig.net.



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SEEDIG 2018 Location

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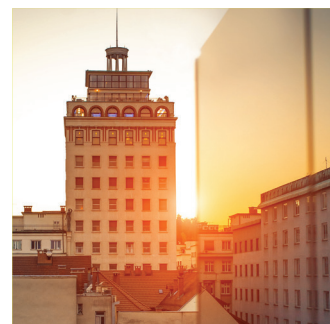
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