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Welcome to ORGCon

Since Edward Snowden revealed that the NSA and GCHQ were monitoring our personal communications, there has been a muted political response from our elected representatives in Parliament. Most MPs have chosen to accept the reassurances of the security services that they know best and are accountable for what they do, even if they won’t reveal how. Most also chose to pass the Data Retention and Investigatory Powers Act (DRIPA) when it was rushed through Parliament this summer. But in six months, we get to vote and our MPs are never more likely to listen to us than in the run up to the General Election. So this is a very important ORGCon where we will focus on how we can make surveillance a key issue for voters before next May’s election.

On Day one, a number of sessions will look at government surveillance from different angles. We will look at the response of the Big Tech companies and ask whether they are doing enough to resist government demands for our data. We’ll hear from those who have been the victims of surveillance and look at the impact on the freedom of press in the UK. We’ll also be asking Julian Huppert MP, Claude Moraes MEP and Green Party leader Natalie Bennett how we can get politicians to take digital rights seriously.

There’s also the opportunity to hear about some of ORG’s legal campaigns and our tech projects as well as a fantastic keynote by the brilliant Cory Doctorow.

ORGCon is an opportunity for our supporters, activists and anyone who is interested in human rights and technology to come together and take part in great discussions and sessions. For the first time, we are running a second day for activists where we will have some interesting discussions to help us be even more successful in winning our campaigns. I hope to talk to a lot of you about how you can get involved in persuading MPs and others that mass surveillance is a key voter issue that must be taken seriously.

I hope you have a great ORGCon!

Executive Director, Jim Killock
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KEYNOTE TALK | Cory Doctorow: Information doesn't want to be free

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Author, Open Rights Group co-founder and digital rights activist extraordinaire, Cory Doctorow opens this year’s ORGCon with a keynote speech on why information doesn’t want to be free.

Cory Doctorow, author and ORG co-founder

What is Big Tech doing about mass surveillance?

Auditorium

Edward Snowden’s revelations not only revealed mass surveillance by the UK and US governments but also implicated some tech companies in sharing our data. But more recently, the new Director of GCHQ, Robert Hannigan, called for even ‘greater cooperation’ from tech companies when it comes to helping the intelligence services tackle terrorism. How should corporates deal with requests for our data and what is their role when it comes to working with the security services? Speakers from the Internet Service Providers Association (ISPA), F-Secure, Facebook and others (tbc) talk to Open Rights Group Executive Director, Jim Killock.

Chair: Jim Killock, Executive Director, Open Rights Group
Tom Gaffney, Security Consultant, F-Secure
Surveillance, whistleblowing and free speech
Room G73

In September, it was revealed that the Met police had accessed the phone records of The Sun’s Political Editor, Tom Newton-Dunn, without his knowledge. By using the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) to do this, they circumvented journalistic privilege to protect sources established in the Police and Criminal Evidence Act. Since then, it has become known that a number of other forces have used RIPA in this way. To what extent are the police and security services using surveillance laws to access journalists’ records? And what is the impact on investigative journalism, whistleblowing and free speech?

Duncan Campbell, investigative journalist
Pam Cowburn, Communications Director, Open Rights Group
Jodie Ginsberg, Chief Executive, Index on Censorship
Rachel Oldroyd, Managing Editor, Bureau of Investigative Journalism

Blocked! How filters censor the Internet
Room G79

From Jezebel to order-order.com, our Blocked project has helped to expose the censorship caused by filters that aim to prevent children from seeing adult content. The tool, built by ORG volunteers, allows people to find out which sites are blocked and by which Internet Service Providers (ISPs), creating some fascinating data. Which ISPs block the most? Which sites, and which categories of sites most frequently fall foul of the filter? ORG’s Project Manager, Richard King will reveal the findings of our Blocked project and talk about why filters are the wrong approach to safety on the internet.

Ruth Coustick-Deal, Supporter Officer, Open Rights Group
Richard King, Project Manager, Open Rights Group
“Nothing to hide, nothing to fear?”

Auditorium

When the Snowden revelations broke, Foreign Secretary William Hague said, ‘if you have nothing to hide, you have nothing to fear’. This line has been repeatedly used to justify mass surveillance by the state. But does this argument actually seek to disguise the fact that surveillance means that all citizens are perceived as potential criminals, undermining the presumption of innocence that is at the heart of our legal justice system. Security and rights experts and those who have been under surveillance come together to discuss the implications of this defence, how it is used to undermine political activism and whether it is ever true.

Merrick Badger, Campaign Opposing Police Surveillance
Chair: Milena Popova, blogger, campaigner and ORG Board member
Eleanor Saitta, nomadic hacker, artist and designer
Erin Saltman, Quilliam Foundation
Güneş Tavmen, Turkish Internet rights expert

Data retention takedown

Room G73

Digital Rights Ireland (DRI) is a small, voluntary, organisation dedicated to defending rights in a digital age. In April it won a landmark case in the Court of Justice of the EU, when the court declared the Data Retention Directive invalid. The case was several years in the making and represents a massive victory for digital rights activists. DRI successfully persuaded the court that the European data retention regime was unlawful because it it breached our fundamental human rights to privacy and protection of personal data under the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights. The decision has implications across the EU. Simon McGarr, DRI’s solicitor who acted in the case, explains how they did it.

Elizabeth Knight, Legal Director, Open Rights Group
Simon McGarr, solicitor, McGarr solicitors
TTIP on the horizon

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TTIP is a proposed trade agreement between the EU and the USA. It is one of several trade agreements being negotiated behind closed doors. The proposals in TTIP are uniting a broad range of campaign groups and organisations who are concerned that there will be a negative impact on public institutions, such as the NHS, and laws that protect our privacy, the environment and food safety. We will be asking what threats do these agreements pose to democracy, privacy and culture? And how can we ensure that TTIP does not jeopardise our digital rights?

Nick Dearden, Director, World Development Movement
Glyn Moody, technology writer
Chair: Ed Paton-Williams Campaigner, Open Rights Group

How do we get politicians to care about digital rights?

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Do our politicians care about digital rights? Do they even understand them? Cross party candidates will be talking about how to influence other politicians and make digital rights more of a priority. This is also your chance to question politicians about their party's positions on a range of issues.

Natalie Bennett (Green)
Julian Huppert MP (Liberal Democrat)
Claude Moraes MEP (Labour)
Chair: William Heath, Chairman of Mydex
Taking legal action to protect your rights: Data retention & Privacy Not Prism

Room G73

ORG is taking the Government to the European Court of Human Rights to challenge its surveillance practices and enforce our right to privacy. Along with fellow rights organisations we are pursuing legal action on behalf of all Internet users. We dispute the use by GCHQ of data from the US’s PRISM programme, as well as GCHQ’s TEMPORA programme, under which the Government is alleged to tap into the sub-ocean cables and sift through that data. Our solicitor bringing the case, Dan Carey, will discuss the legal battle. This is not the only legal action ORG is taking to combat surveillance. After the EU Court of Justice’s decision that blanket data retention was unlawful, the UK Government rushed through ‘emergency’ legislation which ignored the court’s findings and which we believe breaches our fundamental rights. Find out what ORG has been doing to fight data retention.

Dan Carey, solicitor, Deighton Pierce Glynn Solicitors
Elizabeth Knight, Legal Director, Open Rights Group

What do we do about revenge porn?

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From Jennifer Lawrence’s stolen photos to websites blackmailing exes or photos being passed around schools, the issue of ‘revenge porn’ or posting explicit pictures to others has become a major area of concern. Do existing laws protect victims, or should it be a new offence? What does the proposed amendment to the Criminal Justice and Courts Bill really mean? Lawyers, campaigners and activists are divided on this issue. Professor Lilian Edwards, a specialist in internet law, will be talking about the problem, and the potential legal solutions.

Professor Lilian Edwards, University of Strathclyde
Rapid Fire talks

Auditorium

Two years without YouTube: the legal battle to unblock the world’s 3rd most popular website in Pakistan

The Media Legal Defence Initiative (MDLI) defends journalists, bloggers and media outlets in legal cases around the world. They were involved in an incredible case working on behalf of Pakistani digital rights NGO Bytes for All, to challenge the blocking of YouTube. Twenty months after YouTube was blocked by the Pakistani government, the High Court of Lahore held this September that YouTube should be unblocked. MLDI’s Legal Director Nani Jansen will be telling the story of the case.

Nani Jansen, Legal Director, Media Legal Defence Initiative

Our Data Ourselves? A research project on ‘Big Social Data’

Do you know how much data you generate? Do you know where it goes? Is it being sold by Google to increase their market share or is it being ‘scooped’ by the GCHQ or NSA? ‘Our Data Ourselves’ is a research project, examining the data we generate on our mobile devices. Bringing together media and cultural theorists, computer scientists, programmers and young people, this project asks whether ‘big social data’ can be transformed into a public asset and become a creative resource. Mark Coté will talk about the app their hackathons created.

Mark Coté, Lecturer in Digital Cultures, King’s College London
**Justice on Drone Strikes**

Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, more commonly known as drones, are being used by the USA to kill citizens in Pakistan, Somalia and Yemen, in the name of counterterrorism. Human rights organisation Reprieve, believe that the CIA’s drones programme is the death penalty without trial. Jennifer Gibson will talk about how Reprieve are challenging the use of drones work and the way technology can be used to supersede the justice system.

Jennifer Gibson, human rights lawyer, Reprieve

**Electronic surveillance in America – what on is going on over there?**

A 10 minute crash course in the NSA’s electronic surveillance programs and what’s being done to try to stop it in the USA.

Cathy Gellis, technology lawyer and founder of DigitalAgeDefense.org

**Global perspectives on digital rights**

What are the global trends when it comes to digital rights? Which countries are protecting our rights to privacy and free speech online? Which are pushing back? And what can we learn from successful campaigns by international civil society groups? Director of the Don’t Spy on Us campaign, Mike Harris, asks Electronic Frontier Foundation’s Jillian C York, former Pirate Party MEP Amelia Andersdotter and Privacy International’s Eric King to give their perspective on what is happening with digital rights at an international level.

Jillian C. York, Director for International Freedom of Expression, Electronic Frontier Foundation
Amelia Andersdotter, former Pirate Party MEP
Eric King, Deputy Director, Privacy International
Thank you

We’d like to thank all of our speakers for taking the time to travel here and present their ideas. We’d also like to thank all the volunteers who have given up their time to help out today. We rely on their hard work to make ORGCon such a success.

We also couldn’t run ORGCon without the generous support of our sponsors F-Secure and AAISP.

Finally, ORG and ORGCon would not exist without the regular donations and actions of ORG supporters, so thanks to you too! We hope you have had a great day.
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We want to know what you think about ORGCon

How would you rate your overall enjoyment of ORGCon2014?

☐ Excellent  ☐ Good  ☐ Fair  ☐ Poor  ☐ Very poor

Which session did you most enjoy and why?


Which session did you least enjoy and why?


What attracted you to ORGCon 2014? Please tick all options that apply to you.

☐ The speakers (please note which ones)
☐ The topics and discussions on offer (please note which ones)
☐ To get involved in activism
☐ To learn more about ORG
☐ To meet other ORG supporters
☐ Networking/business opportunities

Do you feel ORGCon represented good value for money?

☐ Excellent  ☐ Good  ☐ Fair  ☐ Poor  ☐ Very poor

What would you like to see at ORGCon2015?


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WE ARE F-SECURE

We are fighting for digital freedom.

Why are we sponsoring ORGCon? Well, technology today is very different from when we started working with internet security 26 years ago. We see the values of privacy and freedom are being eroded and believe this must stop. We are adding our voice to that of the Open Rights Group to make the Government sit up and pay attention.

We know that the Government (and snooping marketing companies) won’t stop monitoring us online overnight. With this in mind, we have developed F-Secure Freedome – a VPN app which makes you anonymous and untrackable online.

Come to our stand to find out more, get a free trial or ask our technical experts any other questions you may have.
Drinks and food will be served in the cafe on the first floor all day.