2013 ePSI conference: ‘Gotcha! – getting everyone on board’
Warsaw, Friday 22 February 2013

What is it?
It is the re-use event of the year, organized by the ePSI Platform, Europe’s one-stop shop for PSI/Open Data re-use. The program combines inspiring plenary sessions featuring top speakers with highly interactive parallel sessions.

Where and when?
The event takes place on Friday 22 February 2013 and is kindly hosted by the famous Warsaw University, in close collaboration with Centrum Cyfrowe, the leading Polish think tank on the role of ICTs in society.

Who should be there?
Public data holders, application builders, data journalists, policy makers, competition authorities, Open Data community members, data portal owners, commercial re-users, start-ups, researchers, representing NGOs, and anyone with a passion for PSI/Open Data re-use!

Why should you be there?
You will be able to learn, share and inspire, and be inspired.
You will have the opportunity to speak and be heard on the ongoing debate on the adoption of the PSI Directive.
You will learn all about recent and upcoming PSI developments.
You will be able to put new challenges on the agenda.
You will meet new people and engage with them face-to-face, and, of course
You simply do not want to miss it!

How do you subscribe?
Just register here. Registration is free, but be quick since the number of seats is limited to 250!

Side events?
Yes, certainly!
Friday evening 22 February: thematic dinners allow you to continue your discussions and establish long-lasting contacts. Registration can be done at the conference venue.
Saturday 23 February: Centrum Cyfrowe organizes the Warsaw edition of International Open Data Day, a hackday taking place in cities around the world, all Open Data enthusiast are welcome (for details, click here (for details, click here).

Looking for hotel suggestions?
There are plenty of hotels close to the venue (for details, click here).
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### Detailed program (the program may be subject to change)

**9.00 – 9.30: Registration and coffee**

**9.30 – 10.00: Opening of Conference**

*Michal Boni* - Polish Minister of Administration and Digitization

**10.00 – 11.00: Plenary 1 – Update on Open Data developments**

10.00 – 10.20 Open Data: the State of the Union

Presentation by ePSI team members, doing a Tour of Europe, and highlighting key trends and landmark developments, including the discussions around the draft PSI Directive

10.20 – 11.00 After the hype: ensuring impact of Open Data

Moderated discussions with key experts and opinion leaders

- Rafal Trzaskowski - Member of the European Parliament
- Marta Nagy-Rothengass - Head of Unit DG Connect (EU policy maker)
- Nikolaus Futter - PSI Alliance Chairman (re-user perspective)
- Sophie Oliver - UK Cabinet Office (national policy maker)

**11.00 – 11.30: Coffee break**

**11.30 – 12.30: Parallel sessions part 1**

**Blue Track (A, D and G): diving deeper into data**

**Transport Data: from local to national to European**

- Pieter Colpaert - iRail and OKF chapter Belgium (moderator)
- Dorota Szeligowska - Unit C3 DG MOVE European Commission
- Andrew Byrd - Open Trip Planner
- Jonas Ask Homaa – Danish national Transport Data portal

**Green Track (B, E and H): making law work for you**

**Open Data and liability: fiction or faith?**

- Marc de Vries - author Dutch Report on Open Data and liability
- Christian Laux - Open Data Switzerland Foundation and attorney at law
- Laila Aslesen - Norwegian Mapping Agency

**Orange Track (C, F and I): enlarging the Open Data family**

**Open Data in Poland: the state of play**

- Lukasz Jachowicz - Centrum Cyfrowe Poland (moderator)
- Krzysztof Izdebski - The association of local citizens’ groups leaders (SLLGO)
- Jakub Górnicki - ePanstwo foundation
- Marta Gumkowska - MojaPolis.pl
- Katarzyna Sawko - OtwarteZabytki.pl
- Tomasz Zieliński, Transportoid

**12.30 – 13.30: Lunch**

**13.30 – 14.25: Parallel sessions part 2**

**Track D**

**Charging policies: practice and theories**

- Raimondo lemma - Nexa Center for Internet and Society, Turin (moderator)
- Geoff Sawyer - Secretary General European Association of Remote Sensing Companies (EARSC)
- Heli Koski - Research Institute of the Finnish Economy (ETLA)
- Marlene van Benthem – Dutch national Space Office (TBC)

**Track E**

**Open data and privacy: privacy by design as the answer to all our problems?**

- Hans Graux – ePSI team (moderator)
- Seda Gurses - researcher University of Leuven
- Wojciech Wiewiorowski - Polish Data protection Officer
- Xawer Konarski - partner Traple Konarski Podrecki lawyers, Krakow
- John Borking - Privacy by Design expert (CMS Derks Star Busmann and former Privacy Commissioner of the Dutch Data Protection Authority)

**Track F**

**Being small: incubating Open data policy in small countries**

- Ton Zijlstra – ePSI team (moderator)
- Gabriella Ivacs - Open Society Archives Central European University, Budapest (OSA)
- Henri Laupmaa - co-founder at Hooaandja (Estonia)
- Hristo Konstantinov - Apis (Bulgaria)

**Track X**

**Open mic session:** Optional session for volunteer speakers

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Further information on the program

The Conference will be a combination of inspiring plenary sessions bringing together keynote speakers and interactive parallel sessions where participants can meet, discuss and think.

*Plenary sessions*

Plenary sessions will address issues of a horizontal character, thus being of interest to all participants, like the opening presentation on the proposal for a revised directive and the closing session wrapping up the main findings and conclusions of the Conference.

*Parallel sessions*

These are stand-alone sessions in the form of workshops and/or presentations assisted by a moderator. In terms of substance, they will focus on particular interests. The tracks are organized in logical sets:
- **Blue tracks A, D and G**: these dive deeper into specific open data sectors
- **Green Track (B, E and H)**: making law work for you
- **Orange Track (C, F and I)**: enlarging the Open Data family
- **Track X** finally, is an open mic session giving the floor to anyone that wants to share his thoughts. Obviously, you can switch between colours any time you like.

*Networking*

Plenty of time for networking during the coffee breaks, lunch and the drinks. Also, participants will be invited to sign up for the ‘evening-after dinners’, so that, if they wish to, they can continue to network with their peers over dinner on Friday evening. The ePSI team will facilitate the registration for these dinners. Next to that on Saturday 23 February [Centrum Cyfrowe](https://www.centrumcyfrowe.pl/) organizes the Polish Open Data, including a Hackathon, all Open Data enthusiast are welcome (for details, click here)
Further information
The conference program will be updated regularly, so please check the conference website, to stay up to date. At registration, participants will be provided with an ePSI Conference bag, holding hard copies of the program, participant lists, sponsor material, etc.

About us
The ePSI Platform aims to stimulate European wide re-use of public sector information and is funded under the European Commission eContent plus programme. It is run by a consortium consisting of Ton Zijlstra (Interdependent Thoughts), Marc de Vries (Citadel Consulting), Tom Kronenburg (ZENC), Katleen Janssen and Hans Graux (Time.lex), and Daniel Dietrich and Antti Poikola (OKF).

Our Partners
The ePSI 2013 Conference is organized in close collaboration with the Centrum Cyfrowe, the Polish think-and-do tank offering expertise and know-how on the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) to enhance social capital in Poland, civic engagement, and efficiency of the state, seeking to establish a key space for thinking and debating the growth of digital society in Poland. Furthermore, the event is kindly hosted by the famous University of Warsaw, one of the most renowned research centres in Europe.

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### Further details on the parallel sessions

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<td><strong>Track B - Open Data and liability: fiction or faith? (11.30 – 12.30)</strong>&lt;br&gt;In spite of large ambitions in the field of open data, governments are often scared off by potential liabilities that may arise when opening up data for re-use. What are the type of risks we are talking about and to what extent are they real? Assessing this, what are the yardsticks to be applied? And to the extent that they are real, how can they be addressed? This session will provide all answers!</td>
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<td><strong>Track C - Open Data in Poland: the state of play (11.30 – 12.30)</strong>&lt;br&gt;This session will introduce the most awesome and interesting PSI reuse projects of the last year(s) in Poland. Polish pioneers and practitioners will briefly introduce their trailblazing PSI reuse projects. After the round of presentations we will look into specific challenges and lessons learned from these projects. Starting from there we will shift the discussion to broader PSI reuse issues, such as the legislative framework and data release practice, access and pricing in Poland and discuss how barriers could be overcome.</td>
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<td><strong>Track D - Charging policies: practice and theories (13.30 – 14.25)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Should governments recover parts of their public task costs from charging for re-use, or should they rather provide the data for free? The new European GMES program that will start off in 2013 will generate an unprecedented amount and quality of satellite data. Where this is a ‘new’ type of PSI, without charging policy legacy, it provides a perfect case for addressing this charging dilemma, that may teach us wise lessons for the future. Anybody interested in pricing of PSI should not miss this one!</td>
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<td><strong>Track E - Open data and privacy: privacy by design as the answer to all our problems? (13.30 – 14.25)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Open data holds a wealth of information on government and society, but also on ourselves. As a lot of PSI contains personal data, the opening up of all these data has sparked concerns over the individual’s privacy. Are there technical and practical solutions that can be used to address this concern? What can privacy by design mean for open data? This session will demonstrate that, with the right tools, privacy and transparency can go hand in hand!</td>
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<td><strong>Track F - Being small: incubating Open data policy in small countries (13.30 – 14.25)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Studies on the ‘business case’ for opening up PSI mostly concentrate on the economic effects of opening up governmental data. However, in small countries, in particular those with unique native languages the home market is limited, turning the arguments of increased downstream activities into less strong ones. This session looks into the ‘other’ arguments and the validity thereof within this specific setting. Not to be missed if you are from a ‘small’ Member State!</td>
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<td><strong>Track G - Big data and open data: two of a kind? (14.35 – 15.30)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Big Data is the newest hype in the world of data. But what is behind it and how does it connect to Open Data? What are the similarities and what are the differences. And how do they connect and how can they reinforce each other? An explorative journey into Open and Big Data land!</td>
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<td><strong>Track H - Licensing of Open Data: Creative Commons, own or none... what is needed? (14.35 – 15.30)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Governments and public bodies throughout Europe are opting for different solutions as to licensing their data. While some are creating their own licence schemes, others rely on Creative Commons, whereas some do not even impose any licence at all. So, is there a ‘best’ solution? What about the user perspective: do these licences allow the combination of multiple datasets? And would there be technical solutions for simplifying ‘licence stacking’? This session puts it all on the table!</td>
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| C    | **Track I - Crisis and open data: a show stopper or accelerator? (14.35 – 15.30)**<br>How does the current economic crisis affect governmental policies on PSI re-use? And how does it affect the actual release of data? Should and can data be released at zero or marginal costs in times of tight budgets? Or could open data even help to solve this economic crisis? Panelists from countries being hit by the crisis will provide their expert views!