



European Civil Society Data Protection Award
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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

(Deadline: 15 January 2010 - Send to: nominations@ecsdpa.org)

The European Civil Society Data Protection Award aims at rewarding positive initiatives contributing to the visibility and effectiveness of right to privacy and to the protection of personal data in Europe. By yearly honouring outstanding achievements in the field, it wishes to enhance public awareness, stimulate creative and constructive input, and favour useful exchanges of information at the European level.

AEDH (Association Européenne pour la défense des Droits de l'Homme) and EDRI (European Digital Rights) invite all non-governmental organisations, trade unions, non-profit institutions and any other civil society actor to participate and to submit their applications.

Eligibility

- This is a European open call for participation for civil society entities active in the field of privacy and data protection.
- The prize is granted to initiatives undertaken by non-governmental organisations, trade unions, non-profit institutions or any other civil society actor for the benefit of the right to privacy and the protection of personal data - be it local, national or European initiatives.
- Civil society entities from the 47 member States of the Council of Europe are invited to submit a short description of any inspiring actions, events, projects or campaigns launched in 2009.
- Submissions of applications related to local initiatives are particularly encouraged.

Nomination process

- A short (one page maximum) A4 presentation in English describing a project or campaign and links to visual information must be sent to support the participation.
- Information on the nominee: name, city, country, Website URL if applicable, as well as complete contact details of the nominee representative: name, email, phone number and/or SkypeID.

- Commitment of the nominee to attend the awarding ceremony on 28 January 2010 evening in Brussels to receive its prize, would it win it. Travel costs will be covered.
- When the nomination is not made by the nominee itself, it should also include information on the nominating entity or person and complete contact details of its representative for entities.
- The final deadline for sending application is 15 January 2010
- Applications must be submitted by email at the following address: nominations@ecsdpa.org

Selection process

- The prize will be awarded by a jury of highly qualified experts from different backgrounds: academics, NGOs, media and trade-unions.
- 10 projects will be short listed after a first selection.

About the Award

- The ECSDPA winner will benefit from a one week lobbying training in Brussels, travel expenses and lodging being fully covered.
- During this week, visits to main European institutions such as the EC, EP, EDPS, will be organized, as well as meetings with their representatives.
- The winner will serve as a jury member of the next ECSDPA edition.

About the Organisers



The European Association for the Defense of Human rights (AEDH) acts in a Europe where major choices are made and affect 500 million individuals. It takes a stand and asserts Human and citizens' rights so that the Fundamental Rights of all EU residents are recognised in their universality, indivisibility and validity. It counts 23 member organisations in 18 countries as well as individual members and volunteers. It calls for the existence and the recognition of a real citizen counter-power.

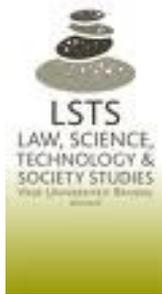
www.aedh.eu



European Digital Rights (EDRI) is the first and largest European non-governmental, not-for-profit organization focusing on the defence and promotion of human rights in the digital environment. EDRI includes 27 member organizations from 18 countries of the Council of Europe space, as well as individual observers. EDRI publishes EDRI-gram, a bi-weekly newsletter about digital rights in Europe. EDRI is an observer to the CoE and to WIPO and serves on the OECD CSISAC (www.csisac.org) board.

www.edri.org

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The Law Science Technology & Society Research Group of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (LSTS/VUB), is a major stakeholder in the European data protection scene.

It is the main organiser of the Computers, Privacy and Data Protection (CPDP, www.cpdpconferences.org) conference, and it co-organises a series of activities for the 2010 Privacy Day: a civil society award, a privacy party, a Pecha Kucha and a political debate in the European Parliament.

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The Flemish-Dutch House deBuren is an organisation for culture and debate, located in the center of Brussels. deBuren invites artists, journalists, scientists, politicians and writers to discuss on themes like media, art, literature, civil society, politics and Europe.

deBuren sponsors the ECSDPA by covering travel expenses and a one week lodging in Brussels for the award winner.

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