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1 Abstract

This document holds the report from the LAPSI 2.0 conference held in Brussels, 28 November 2014. It gives an overview of the matters discussed in the conference and it includes notes or material on the conference presentations and a participant list.

2 Agenda

LAPSI 2.0 Final Conference, 28 November 2014,
Hogeschool Brussels, Room 0105, Stormstraat 2, 1000 Brussels



9.00 – 9.30: Registration and coffee
Chair: Cristiana Sappa, LAPSI 2.0 Executive Coordinator, ICRI
9.30 – 10:10 Opening of Conference BERT DEMARSDIN, VICE-DEAN OF THE KU LEUVEN, CAMPUS BRUSSELS, <i>Greetings.</i> MALTE BEYER-KATZENBERGER, LAPSI 2.0 PROJECT OFFICER, EUROPEAN COMMISSION, <i>Open Data – Towards the Plateau of Productivity</i> NOEL VAN HERREWEGHE, SENIOR COUNSEL, FLEMISH EGOVERNMENT CO-ORDINATION UNIT, <i>Open Data in Flanders, riding the Hype Cycle</i>
10.10 – 10.30 Keynote Speech by TON ZIJLSTRA, THE GREEN LAND <i>A Visionary View on the Future of Public Sector Information: the Big Picture on Open Data.</i>
10.30 – 10.50 Coffee break
10.50 – 12.20: Panel - Links and Losses: How Do Legal Frameworks Interact Moderator: MARC DE VRIES, LAPSI 2.0 I. Presentation on <i>Getting the Open Data math right!</i> II. LAPSI 2.0 Panel discussion - MIREILLE VAN EECHOUD, IVIR – <i>The Re-Use Door Openers</i> - PAUL TORREMANS, Nottingham School of Law, <i>The Re-Use Show Stoppers</i> - BJORN LUNDQVIST, Stockholm Business School, <i>The Re-Use Fair Playing Ground</i> - MAJA LUBARDA, Slovenian Information Commissioner – <i>The Re-Use Teeth</i>
12.20 – 12.35: Presentation by YS LEE, National Information Society Agency, Republic of Korea <i>Open Data Rules. The Example of South Korea.</i>
12.45 – 13.30: Lunch
Chair: Marie-Christine Janssens, Head of Integrated Research Centre ICRI/CIR
13.30 – 14.45 Presentations – Open Data and Privacy: the Clash of the Titans - BASTIAAN VAN LOENEN, LAPSI 2.0, <i>A Case Study</i> - ROSANA LEMUT-STRLE, Information Commissioner of Slovenia, <i>The National Perspective</i> - ZSUZSANNA BELENYESSY, EDPS, <i>The Supra-National Perspective</i>
14.45 – 16.00: Panel – Licensing: Where the Practice Really Makes the Difference! Moderator: PRODRAMOS TSIAVOS, LAPSI 2.0 I. Presentation on <i>The long run of licences. What's next?</i> II. Panel Discussion - FRANCOIS SALGÉ, Eurogi – <i>Case study on licences</i> - JO ELLIS, The National Archives - <i>How PSBs draft Re-Use Licences</i> - PAUL KELLER, Creative Commons - <i>How the Community Chooses Re-Use Licences</i> - PHIL ARCHER, W3C – <i>The Role of Metadata</i> - CÉDRIC MANARA, Google – <i>How Re-Users Interact with PSI Licences</i>
16.00 – 16.15: Presentation by BADEN APFLEYARD, AusGOAL <i>CC Add-in for MS Office. An Example from Australia.</i>
16.15 – 16.30: Coffee break
16.30 – 17.30: Panel Discussion– EU Projects Co-Operation. Past, Present and Future. Moderator: CRISTIANA SAPPA, LAPSI 2.0 - HENNING STEN HANSEN, Eurogi - OLIVIA SALAMANCA, OpenLaws - LUIS MEIUEIRO, ePSIplatform - PHIL ARCHER, SharePSI - RACHEL FINN, Recode - CLAUDIA SECCO, Homer
17.30 – 17.45 Closing Remarks by CRISTIANA SAPPA, LAPSI 2.0
17.45 – 18:30 Reception

<http://www.lapsi-project.eu/lapsi-20-final-conference>

2.1 Opening of the conference

The Chair Cristiana Sappa, LAPSI 2.0 Executive Coordinator began the conference by welcoming the attendants and introducing them to the work of the Lapsi 2.0 Thematic Network. Then she introduced the Agenda and first speakers of the conference.

Bert Demarsin, Vice-Dean of the KU Leuven Campus Brussels opened the LAPSI2.0 Final Conference with an encouraging message on the future of Open Data. He did not limit himself to greet the participants, but he insisted on the fact that Open Access to Data is a crucial issue for a bright future, as well as on the interdisciplinary aspects of the PSI re-use topic.

Malte Beyer-Katzenberger, Project Officer of the LAPSI 2.0 Project at the European Commission introduced the EU perspective and in particular hype cycle and how PSI has developed since 2002. He pointed out that currently Denmark has its tekst implementing the new PSI Directive ready and more countries are striving for the 2015 target also. So like the data.gov initiative where data can be published and harvest, a pan european opendata portal will be presented at the European Data Forum conference in November 2015. He further went on to indicate what will happen in 2022 when the economic value of PSI is understood and to guess the engagement with re-users by public sector institutions. He wondered whether an option would be *'not longer be having conferences on 'Open Data' – but possibly on improving conditions for reuse of PSI?'*

Noel van Herreweghe, Senior Counsel of the Flemish Government, introduced the local perspective and also used the hype cycle placing himself at the peak of inflated expectations. The Flemish Government has done quite a lot in the area of Open Data and PSI. In 2012 the norm on Open Data for the Flemish Government was signed by all ministries and followed by plans of actions that have almost been finished. An Opendata day in Flanders continues to grow and so does the knowledge exchange platform. A dataset register shows which datasets the government has and if they are open or not: this gives the re-users the opportunity to request openness. An Opendata Guide is also available on an ad hoc website. What still needs to be done is that available datasets thanks to a top down (legislator initiatives) approach, but they are not used by developers yet. In other words, a bottom up approach to make this happen is needed (community initiatives). As to the Linked open data and the Internet of things: the goal next year 2015 is to consolidate an ecosystem where all stakeholders with a common agenda release and re-use opendata to share ideas and resources. All this will foster the creation of innovative products and services.

2.2 Keynote Speech by Anton Zijlstra

Instead of giving a vision of the future of PSI, Ton Zijlstra started by discussing the absence of social & economic impacts of opendata. Re-use should focus on operating at European level. For example a re-use application like a metro app for Barcelona is thinking too local, while we need to operate on a European level. There are other reasons why it seems that data re-use has not as much impact as expected: for instance the lack of awareness among the re-users themselves. Also dataholders might not be inclined to share their opendata since they may focus on the costs and not necessarily on the benefits such as job creation. The perspective on the impact of opendata use needs then to change. The real barriers to opening up information are between our ears and not so much in the technology. As to legal barriers, we surely need to rethink digital privacy both at home and on the streets. On the other hand we should look at privacy as the other side of openness: this should facilitate the creation of a paradigm based on privacy by design.

2.3 Panel 1: How do legal frameworks interact?

Marc de vries led the panel introducing the panel members as the legal buildingblocks of reuse. Needed from the re-users perspective is having access, accessibility, limits to what you are allowed to do, you need a fair and level playing field and finally you need Rambo enforcement.

Mireille van Eechoud asked the question How can we have access to data when we have to request permission for re-use? Also difficult to explain is that access is at memberstate level and reuse is at EU level. There is a need for examples of cases using the freedom of information act that are usefull.

Talking about their experiences and future for the Lapsi research; Maja Lubarda pointed out that more experts on PSI access & re-use limitations are needed. Mireille van Eechout states that also data protection is an issues to be solved and hopefully we will have a more mature and aware IP managing systems. Bjorn Lundqvist shared his thoughts that maybe PSI directive will apply to private holders of infrastructure in the future.

When asked about their experiences within the lapsi research Paul Torremans mentioned that the interdisciplinarity helped appreciate the different points of view, Mireille van Eechout mentioned hoping to get more insights from industry actors and Bjorn Lundqvist added it was also a confrontation with different legal systems.

2.3 Presentation by Ys Lee from NIA (the South Korean National Agency on the Information Society)

Mr Lee shared the open data law experience in Korea which has been operational since 2013. A so called Government 3.0 is the new paradigm of the government with a strong governance approach and 'open by default' in the law. It is important to conclude that a continuous upgrade of the regulations is needed to meet demands of changes and challenges in the open data environment.

2.4 Session on Open Data and Privacy: the Clash of the Titans

Marie-Christine Janssens, Head of Integrated Research Centre ICRI/CIR is chair of the afternoon session and opened its first fragment: the Open Data and Privacy session.

The first presentation was delivered by Bastiaan van Loenen, a LAPSI 2.0 member who gave examples of the problematic relationship between the Directive on personal data and PSI re-use. The core message of this presentation was that Data protection regulations in EU and Open Data bite each other.

Rosana Lemut-Strle from the Information Commissioner of Slovenia gave many examples of Slovenian re-use cases where personal data became an issue when zooming in or singling out specific places or communities. So there is a problem between the two causes of allowing re-use in cases when privacy can be infringed. One of the issues we do not have to neglect is that people still expect privacy and data protection even when using Internet. This means that policy makers and the community need to work with each other to solve the open data/privacy clash.

Zsuzsanna Belenyessy from the European Data Protection Supervisor illustrated the EU perspective on privacy. It is important that Public Sector Bodies take a proactive approach towards personal data.

Furthermore Privacy impact assesement, anonymization procedures and licence terms are needed to prevent de-anonymization by re-users.

2.5 Panel – Licensing: Where the Practice Really Makes the Difference

Prodromos Tsiavos, member of the LAPSI 2.0 Network, chaired the session introducing the discussion on the 'Long run of licenses: what's next', after which the panel members were invited to respond to the positions posed. The discussion, involving a representative of a PSB adopting an ad hoc licence (National Archives), a representative of re-users (Google), an expert on Metadata (W3C) and a representative of a project studying specific data (Eurogi), delved into the issue of the efficiency of soft laws to build open data ethics, open licensing versus re-use licensing and how to make the move from re-use requests by giving incentives to open up data.

2.6 Presentation by Baden Appleyard (AusGOAL)

Baden Appleyard gave a quick overview of the Creative Commons licence addons for processing such as Microsoft Word and Excel (and pages) that can easily be used and will help make Public Sector Bodies to keep track of licensing works. The Australian Government adopted a CC license because it did not want taxpayers to fund another national licence. The application is free and already translated in a few other languages. This is a solution adopted because the protectionist trend of Intellectual Property Right was not reversed in the recent years.

2.7 Panel on EU Projects Co-Operation: Past, Present and Future

The final panel track, moderated by Cristiana Sappa, started with a presentation by Henning Sten Hansen from Eurogi on the implementation of PSI rules in Denmark. The panel members of the different European projects were then asked to present their research, practices and talked about relations within PSI research and the way forward for Lapsi 2.0, if any.

Different projects were then introduced and stressed any possible links with the legal aspects of PSI. OpenLaws is aiming to create a clear BOLD Vision 2020 about what Big Open Legal Data (BOLD) could do in the year 2020 and propose a roadmap to implement it and an ICT Platform, based on open source software, which will be the first step to combine legal content and the knowledge and feedback of the community. OpenLaws organized a joint workshop with LAPSI on the 3rd of September 2014 in Amsterdam. The Policy RECommendations for Open Access to Research Data in Europe (RECODE) project addresses challenges within the open access and data dissemination and preservation sector and produce policy recommendations for open access to research data based on existing good practice. Both OpenLaws and RECODE are focusing on access to data and concern specific data (legal and scientific data). Share-PSI 2.0 is the European network for the exchange of experience and ideas around implementing open data policies in the public sector and focuses on the practical and technical challenges. The ePSIplatform is a European Commission (DG CONNECT) initiative with the objective of promoting a dynamic Public Sector Information (PSI) and Open Data re-use market across the European Union. The ePSIplatform now covers many different themes, including Science and Technology, Health, Transport and Environment, amongst others to. make it easier and faster for users to explore and discover content. In addition to that, the Homer project is aiming at harmonizing data in the Mediterranean through better access and re-use of public sector information. The proposal aims at building a transitional initiative promoting the use of an ICT MED strategy towards a better

access, re-use and exploitation of regional data belonging to some of the most strategic domains of the Mediterranean economy.

Cristiana Sappa closes the conference with final thanks.

End of the LAPSI 2.0 conference 2014

3. References

Information on the participants:

<http://www.lapsi-project.eu/sites/lapsi-project.eu/files/attendance%20list.pdf>

Overall information on the conference and on the available presentations:

<http://www.lapsi-project.eu/conference-28-november-2014>