



CEPIS
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CEPIS Member Update

The holiday season is approaching, and we are all looking forward to a well-deserved break. For now, however, we have been very busy: we have established a new expert group, held a Board of Directors election, and worked hard to impact several important pieces of privacy-related regulations! We are also busy with events - you still have time to register for the Informatics Education Conference on 14-15 December in Valencia, and do save 14th May 2024 in your calendars for a Women in Tech conference in Berlin.

Our members have also been busy: the German Informatics Society has launched a new project, the Slovenian Society Informatika have a new President, and the Swiss Informatics Society celebrated their 40th Anniversary.

Discover all this and more below!

News from CEPIS



New CEPIS Research, Development and Innovation expert group and survey

The CEPIS Council approved the creation of a new Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) expert group at the 71st CEPIS Council meeting. To better understand and serve our Members, please [fill in the survey to gather information](#) about the Member Societies' interests and capacities when it comes to participation in funded projects.

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Marina Cabrini from AICA joins CEPIS Board

CEPIS is delighted to welcome Marina Cabrini from AICA, Italy, to its Board of Directors. She was elected at the CEPIS Council meeting which was held on 23 November 2023 in Brussels. CEPIS is also glad to announce that Ronald Bieber from OCG, Austria, was re-elected for his second term on the CEPIS Board. Ronald will continue to fulfil his leading role in developing IT Professionalism Europe, as well as looking after CEPIS finance.

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Why CEPIS Welcomes Amendments to EU's Rules Combatting Child Sexual Abuse

We are a step closer to protecting the rights of people in Europe to confidential and secure digital communication, after a committee in the European Parliament has amended the proposed new rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse, removing provisions that would have seen indiscriminate surveillance of the content of all communications. Explore our thoughts on the matter!

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Registration to the Informatics Education Conference still open

There are only a few days left to register for the first pan-European Informatics Conference “The future of European Informatics Education – How to counter the skills shortage without compromising on quality?”, organised together by CEPIS, Informatics Europe, EQANIE and ASIIN and taking place in Valencia on 14-15 December 2023.

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News from our community



The Swiss Informatics Society (SI) celebrates its 40th Anniversary

SI, the leading association representing the interests of computer scientists, informatics, and digital education in Switzerland, celebrated its 40th anniversary in November.

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GI Launches Project to Assess Software Environmental Impact

The German Informatics Society kicked off the project 'ECO:DIGIT – Enabling Green Computing and Digital Transformation.' This collaborative effort between the GI, the Institute for Applied Ecology, the Open Source Business Alliance, adesso SE, and Siemens, aims to foster transparency, objectivity, and standardization in the assessment of the environmental impact of various software applications.

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SSI appoints new president

The Slovenian Society Informatika (SSI), the CEPIS Member Society from Slovenia, recently appointed Prof. Slavko Žitnik as the new President, following the retirement of its long-standing President Niko Schlamberger.

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Save the date: "Stay in tech" conference 14 May, Berlin

Save the date for the free conference 'Stay in tech! – Policies and practices of attracting and retaining female tech talent' on 14 May 2024 in Berlin, organised by the DiversIT Charter, German Informatics Society and the Fraunhofer ICT Group!

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Inf4All regulation

On 23 November 2023, the Council of the European Union has adopted a set of recommendations on digital skills and education. The Informatics for All Coalition, a consortium formed to promote informatics education across Europe, of which CEPIS is a founding member, has endorsed the bold recommendations outlined in the new Council report.

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CEPIS suggests improvements on amendment to eIDAS regulation

The CEPIS Legal and Security Issues expert group has produced a position paper on the version of the eIDAS regulation as published after the trilogue. It aims to provide a short analysis of the improvements in 3 problematic areas and the remaining deficiencies and corresponding open issues. It concludes with some proposals for improvements possible at this point in time.

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G7 leaders agree on Guiding Principles and Code of Conduct for AI

The G7 leaders, as well as the President of the European Commission Ursula von der Leyen, have agreed on International Guiding Principles for Artificial Intelligence (AI) and a voluntary Code of Conduct for AI developers as part of the Hiroshima AI process.

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