

Privacy and Digital Rights for All

A Forum on the Need for Privacy and Data Protection Laws in the U.S.

Wednesday, June 5, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

**The Elliott School of International Affairs – George Washington University
City View Room, 7th Floor
1957 E Street NW, Washington, D.C.**

More than 100 nations have enacted comprehensive data protections laws, but the U.S. is not one of them. Policymakers have yet to agree on how to protect personal data, how to give consumers better controls and protections over their personal data, what responsibilities corporations should have to protect data and privacy, or how best to enforce such protections.

This forum will explore how the U.S. should approach data and privacy protection. The event will begin with three Ted-style presentations covering the realities of digital life, followed by a fireside chat with U.S. Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-Ill.). It will conclude with a dynamic audience debate in response to questions asked by the moderator.

08:30 – 09:30	Registration and Breakfast
09:30 – 10:10	Welcome and Opening Presentations: Problems and Possible Solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finn Myrstad, Norwegian Consumer Council• Brandi Collins, Color of Change• Johnny Ryan, Brave
10:10 – 10:40	Fireside Chat with U.S Rep. Jan Schakowsky, Chair of the U.S. House Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
10:40 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	Audience Discussion and Debate <i>moderated by Wendy Davis, Media Post</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What should meaningful and comprehensive federal privacy legislation look like?• What is the scope of such legislation?• What principles should be included?• What rights should individuals be guaranteed?• How should enforcement work?
12:30	Concluding Remarks