

Open protocols unite: Common goals in advocating?



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ActivityPub & Fediverse



Alternativen im Fediverse

x		➔		Mastodon
Instagram		➔		Pixelfed
TikTok		➔		Loops
Facebook		➔		Friendica
YouTube		➔		Peertube
goodreads		➔		Bookwyrm



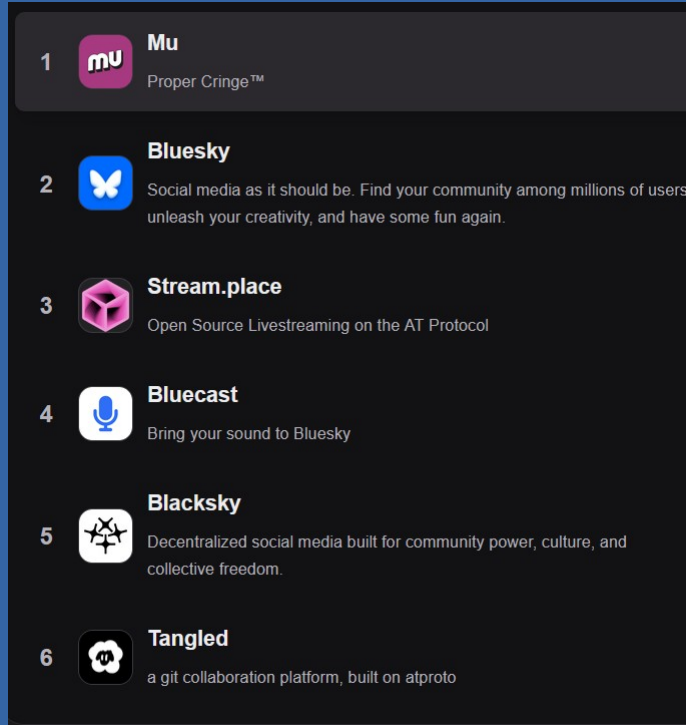
decentralized social
networking protocol

W3C standard

ecosystem = “Fediverse”

<https://blog.wikimedia.de/2025/07/03/fediverse/>

AT proto & Atmosphere



Eurosky⁺

blacksky
algorithms

Bluesky

Authenticated Transfer Protocol

PDS = Bluesky, Eurosky, Blacksky

ecosystem = “Atmosphere”

Advocacy & #EUFedi



European
Parliament,
Brussels, 30.9.25



Federal Chancellery, Vienna,
12.9.25

ActivityPub Community

No umbrella foundation

No political representation

No funding or financial resources for policy

**Connecting
open protocol communities**

October 2025



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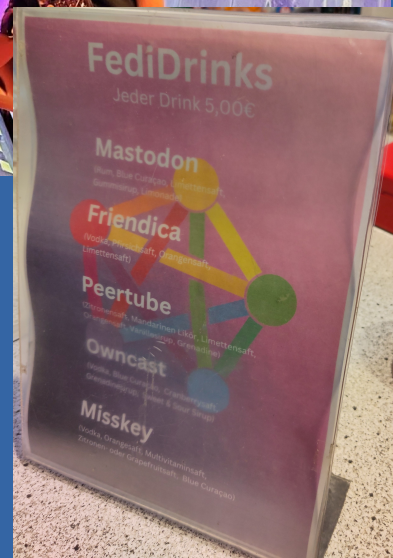
Digitale Gesellschaft
@digiges_de

Wir sind eine netzpolitische
Bürgerrechtsorganisation, die sich
für Grundrechte und
Verbraucherschutz in der digitalen
Welt einsetzt.

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Aufzeichnungen vom FediDay 2025 - 3. - 5. Oktober 2025 auf der c-base

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November 2025



SUMMIT ON EUROPEAN DIGITAL SOVEREIGNTY

Who sits at the table while public money is spent ?



29.08.2025, Pressemitteilung

Europäischer Gipfel zur digitalen Souveränität 2025

Unsere digitale Souveränität gemeinsam gestalten

Pressemitteilung 10/2025

Bundesminister für Digitales und Staatsmodernisierung, Dr. Karsten Wildberger, hat auf dem deutsch-französischen Ministerrat in Toulon den Digital-Gipfel 2025 mit einem Fokus auf europäischer digitaler Souveränität angekündigt, der am 18.11.2025 in Berlin auf Einladung des deutschen und des französischen Digitalministeriums stattfinden wird. Gemeinsam mit der französischen Digitalministerin Clara Chappaz und weiteren hochrangigen europäischen Politikerinnen und Politikern soll auf dem Gipfel ein starker Impuls für ein digital souveränes Europa gegeben werden.

11.30

Morning Sessions

- Start-ups and Solutions
- Cloud and Data Sovereignty
- AI-State of Europe

Afternoon Sessions

- EUDI Wallet
- Digital Commons as a Pillar of Digital Sovereignty - EDIC
- DMA - Fairer Markets in Support of Digital Sovereignty

17 November

High Level Forum on Public Procurement (BMDS Side Event)

Future Builders Forum

International Workshop on Open Source Foundation Models

eco Warm-up to the European Summit on Digital Sovereignty

Announcement of the European Network for Technological Resilience and Sovereignty (ETRS)

A technologically resilient Europe: The EuroStack - Roundtable on EuroStack industry initiative

Scaling Sovereignty: VC & Startups Powering Europe's Tech Future

Digital Sovereignty as a Democratic Endeavour

POLITICO Sovereign Night

Reception on the Occasion of the European Summit on Digital Sovereignty



Solution for Sovereignty? EuroStacks

EuroStack The White Paper Buy European ▾ The Letter Who We Are ▾ European Catalogue Project

Building Europe's digital future

EuroStack™ is our original idea for a European Industrial Policy initiative bringing together tech, governance and funding for Europe-focused investment to build and adopt a suite of digital infrastructures: from connectivity to cloud computing, AI and digital platforms.

The EuroStack Industry Initiative
Euro-stack.eu
Buy European, Sell European, and
Fund European

The EuroStack Directory: Trusted Tools for Digital Sovereignty

Discover sovereign European services and innovative open source technologies that champion interoperability and put you in control of your digital stack.

Featured Categories

Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)

Virtualized computing resources available on demand.

→ 36 solutions

Edge Computing

Software and hardware systems enabling local data processing, monitoring of containerized applications.

→ 2 solutions

Container Management

Tools for automating and managing the deployment, operation, and monitoring of containerized applications.

→ 16 solutions

The EuroStack Directory Project
Euro-stack.com
Stefane Fermigier

The EuroStack
Euro-stack.info
Bertelsmann Foundation &
Mercator



3 short comings of „Digital Sovereignty“

- I. Making it European is not enough. They need to be open as well.
- II. If public money is to be spent, than public digital infrastructure such as open social networks must be funded as well.
- III. Open social networks are a key part of achieving real digital sovereignty.

Our demands

[1. Fediverse Fund]

2. Anchoring the Plus1 principle

3. Establishing legal certainty: recognition of charitable status
for “the promotion of the development, maintenance and operation of non-commercial and public-interest-oriented free and open-source software and open digital infrastructures”

[4. Decentralised, interoperable and cross-sector European media platforms]



Plus 1: Public institutions & Open Communication

Verbindlich für alle Social Media Bereiche
des **öffentlichen** Dienstes:



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Establishing legal certainty: recognition of charitable status

 openPetition

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Region: **Germany**



Internet

Anerkennung von Open-Source-Arbeit als Ehrenamt in Deutschland

 **Boris Hinzer**

 **Petition is addressed to:**
Deutscher Bundestag Petitionsausschuss

 **15,704 Signatures**

14,696 from 30,000 for quorum in Germany

<https://www.openpetition.de/petition/online/anererkennung-von-open-source-arbeit-als-ehrenamt-in-deutschland>



Website

<https://offene-netzwerke.eu/>

Mastodon:

https://eupolicy.social/@offene_netzwerke

Fairtube:

https://fair.tube/c/offene_netzwerke/videos

18th of November 2025, Berlin

Results: Who is represented and who is not

Declaration for European Digital Sovereignty

18 November 2025

At the heart of European digital policy lies digital sovereignty. It refers to the EU and its Member States' ability to act autonomously and to freely choose their own solutions, while reaping the benefits of collaboration with global partners, when possible. This involves setting and enforcing our own legal framework in accordance with internationally accepted principles. To achieve this, Europe needs to create conditions that strengthen economic security, competitiveness, resilience, and trust, and which preserve European democratic values in the digital world. Digital sovereignty does not mean isolation or protectionism; it means ensuring that Europe can act independently and in a self-determined manner based on international law, its own laws, values, and security interests, while thriving to international cooperation with its partners that share European values and principles.

Our common understanding of digital sovereignty is the ability of Member States to be able to regulate their digital infrastructure, data and technologies. It encompasses the ability of individuals, businesses and institutions in Europe to act independently in the digital world, allowing for autonomous decisions about the use, governance, and development of digital systems without undue reliance on external actors in order to protect our European democracies and our European values.

We, the signatories, declare our shared ambition to strengthen Europe's digital sovereignty in an open manner* as a cornerstone of our economic resilience, social prosperity, competitiveness and security.

To operationalise this shared ambition, the **following principles** set out the **common orientations and priorities** that will guide our collaborative action. They provide a framework for strengthening Europe's capacity to act in the digital sphere, while ensuring consistency, balance, and openness in our approach.

- Efforts should build on **existing initiatives and frameworks**, avoiding unnecessary duplication and ensuring consistent implementation across the Union. At the same time, **clarity in terminology is required**: digital sovereignty should not be misinterpreted as protectionism, but rather as a common European approach that strengthens our ability to act freely while remaining in collaboration with global markets and partners. Europe should therefore remain open to global partners that share the same values as the EU and to collaborative efforts to continue benefiting from global scientific and technological cooperation, which in turn facilitates greater access to more diverse talents, perspectives, and innovations.

Since public funding has its limits, it is important to reduce barriers for private investments in European digital technology and explore what other actions are needed to unlock sufficient capital. It can also include targeted use of public procurement that would be relevant to support the demand for and market share of EU suppliers, thereby reducing strategic dependencies.

- **Open-source solutions** can play an important role enhancing digital sovereignty, provided they meet high cybersecurity standards and are complemented by reliable proprietary technologies where appropriate.
- Creating **European common assets** in artificial intelligence, data, cloud capacities and space infrastructure, including through public-private partnerships and open-source solutions (without prejudging the negotiations on the MFF), will strengthen Europe's ability to protect data and secure critical infrastructures.

reduce fragmentation, and provide a transparent mechanism for collective decision-making. In addition, governance should be inclusive and employ a multi-stakeholder approach, involving public and private actors as well as civil society and academia, to ensure legitimacy, expertise and broad support.

- Ultimately, digital sovereignty depends not only on technologies and infrastructures, but also on people. A focus on investments in **education and research, digital skills, and digital literacy** is indispensable to empower European labor force, citizens, public administrations, and businesses. Without these, even the best frameworks will remain fragile. Joint learning, pooling of expertise, strategies to attract foreign talents and the sharing of best practices among Member States will further strengthen Europe's collective capacity to act. Media- and information literacy is essential to raise knowledge about the digital landscape and to learn how to navigate safely and must be fostered through lifelong learning to ensure our resilience and competitiveness.

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News from the EU



Multiannual Financial Framework 2028 - 2034

Deregulation & “Simplification”

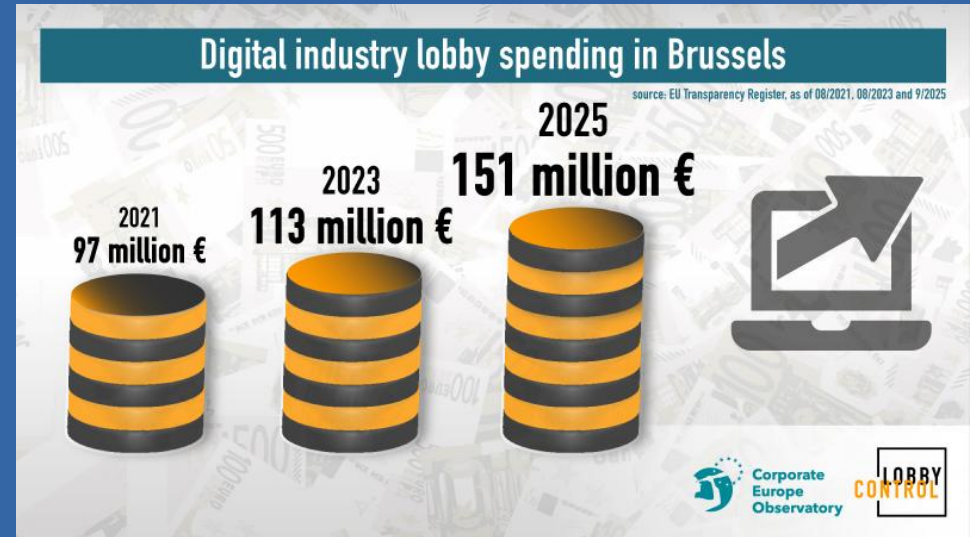
Technology Sovereignty Package
& Open Source Strategy

Public Procurement Act

Digital Commons - European Digital Infrastructure
Consortium [DC-EDIC]

“Age Verification” & “KidsACT”

DMA Review



<https://corporateeurope.org/en/2025/10/big-tech-lobby-budgets-hit-record-levels>

Cross protocol policy & advocacy



https://eupolicy.social/@offene_netzwerke



<https://european.social>

May 2026

Having conversation & connecting communities



Matrix Community Summit 2026



May, Berlin @c-base

21st of October

Matrix Conference 26

September 2026

Fediday: connecting open protocols



<https://fair.tube/c/fediday/videos>

Get to know & learn from each other

I would like to learn:

about your political demands as the Matrix community /
foundation and

what are common struggles that ActivityPub or ATproto
communities share with you?

Reach out & feedback

Credit: Elena Rossini



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