

Public Values and the Digital Sovereignty Movement(s)

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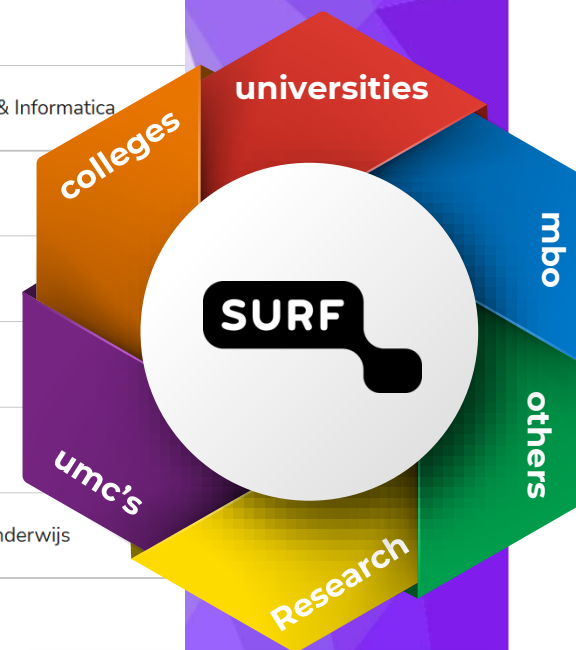
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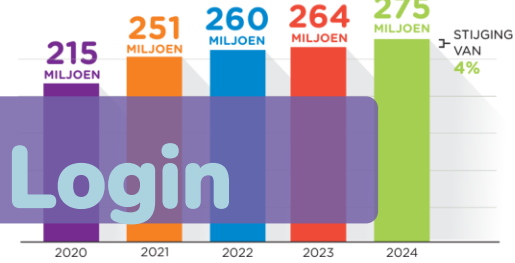
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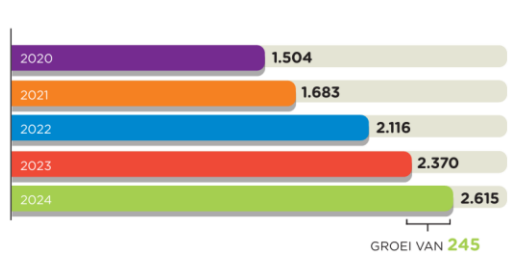
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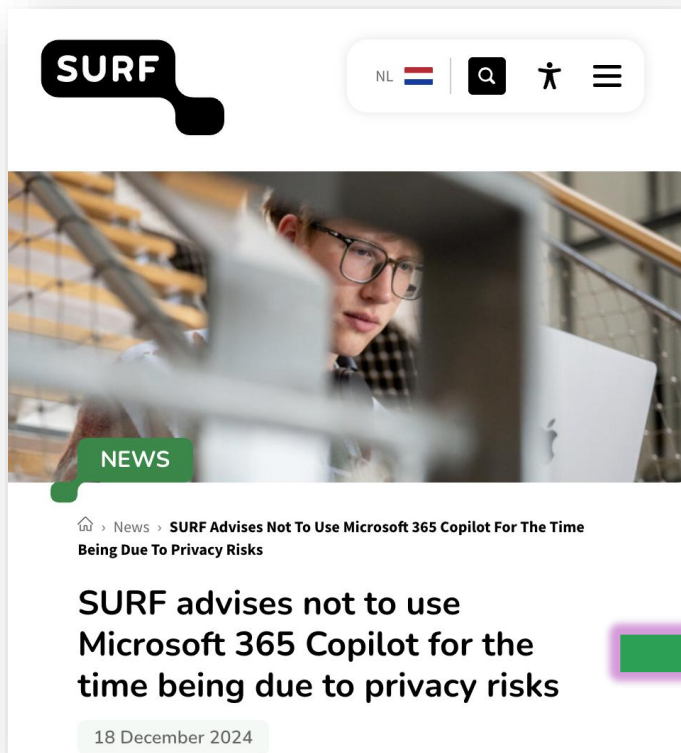
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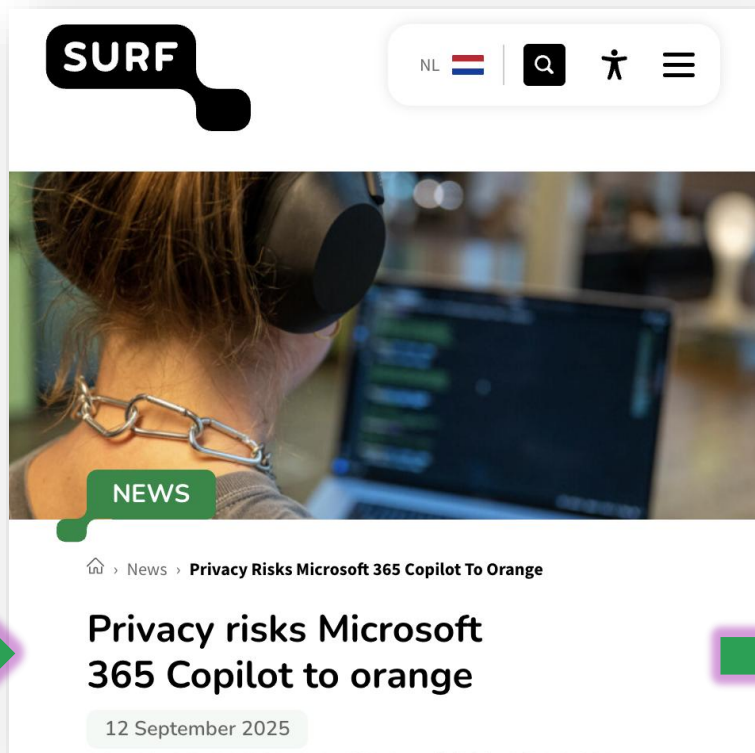
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Not only services – also (publicly shared) advice

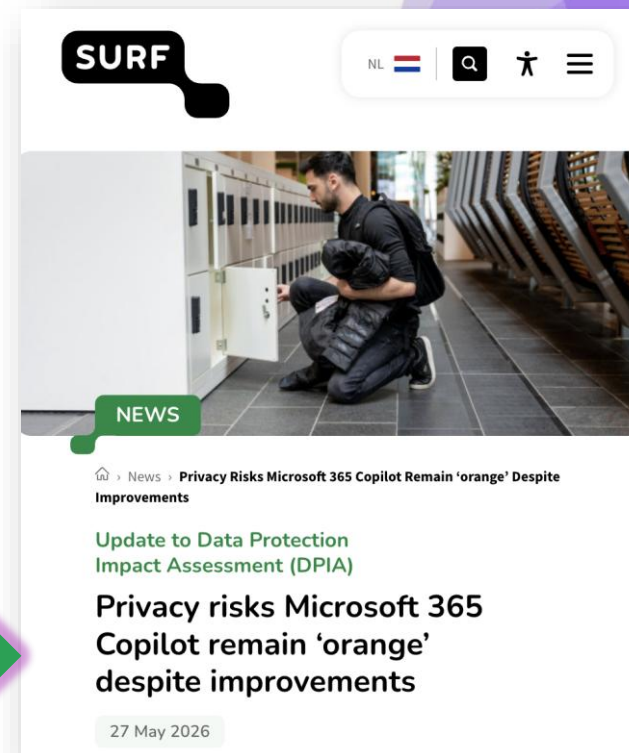
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May 2026



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Is the sector well positioned when it comes to collaborating on this issue? **Yes!**

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We are going from an IT resource to a political lever



1.

Microsoft

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Cloud

Microsoft announces new European digital commitments

Apr 30, 2025 | Brad Smith - Vice Chair & President





Microsoft's new European digital commitments

1

We will help build a broad AI and cloud ecosystem across Europe.

2

We will uphold Europe's digital resilience even when there is geopolitical volatility.

3

We will continue to protect the privacy of European data.

4

We will always help protect and defend Europe's cybersecurity.

5

We will help strengthen Europe's economic competitiveness, including for open source.

2.

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WORLD NEWS

Trump's sanctions on ICC prosecutor have halted tribunal's work



A general view of the exterior of the International Criminal Court in The Hague, Netherlands, March 12, 2025. (AP Photo/Omar Havana, File)

BY MOLLY QUELL

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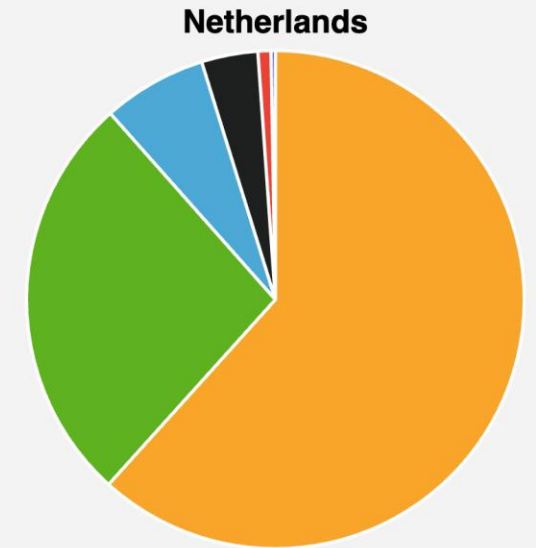
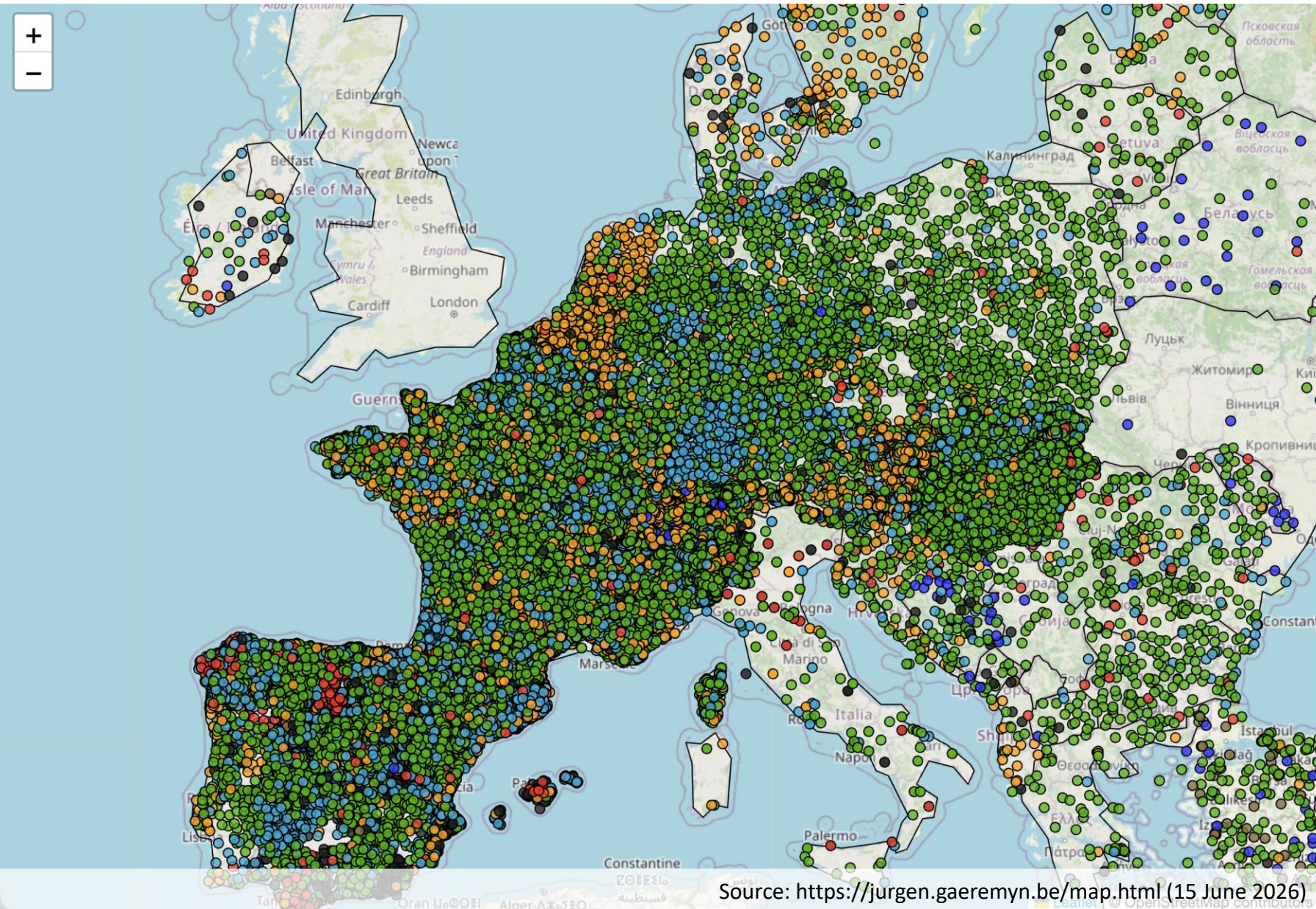
Microsoft's ICC email block triggers Dutch concerns over dependence on U.S. tech

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| Beyond education and research



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- Microsoft
- Google
- Domestic Server
- EU Server
- Non EU European Server
- US Server
- Asian Server
- Other

Mail-servers municipalities

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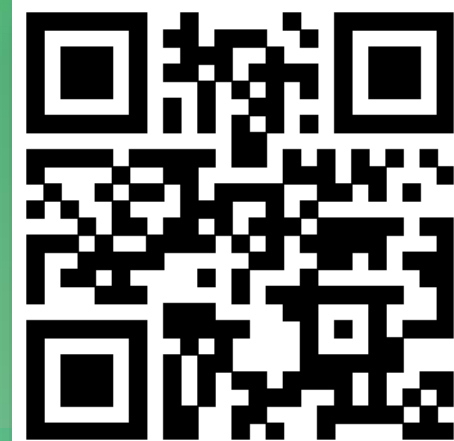
We often see the same words



Big tech
Autonomy
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Dependence
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Open source
Values
Responsible tech
EU
Accountability
Alternatives

Value Compass

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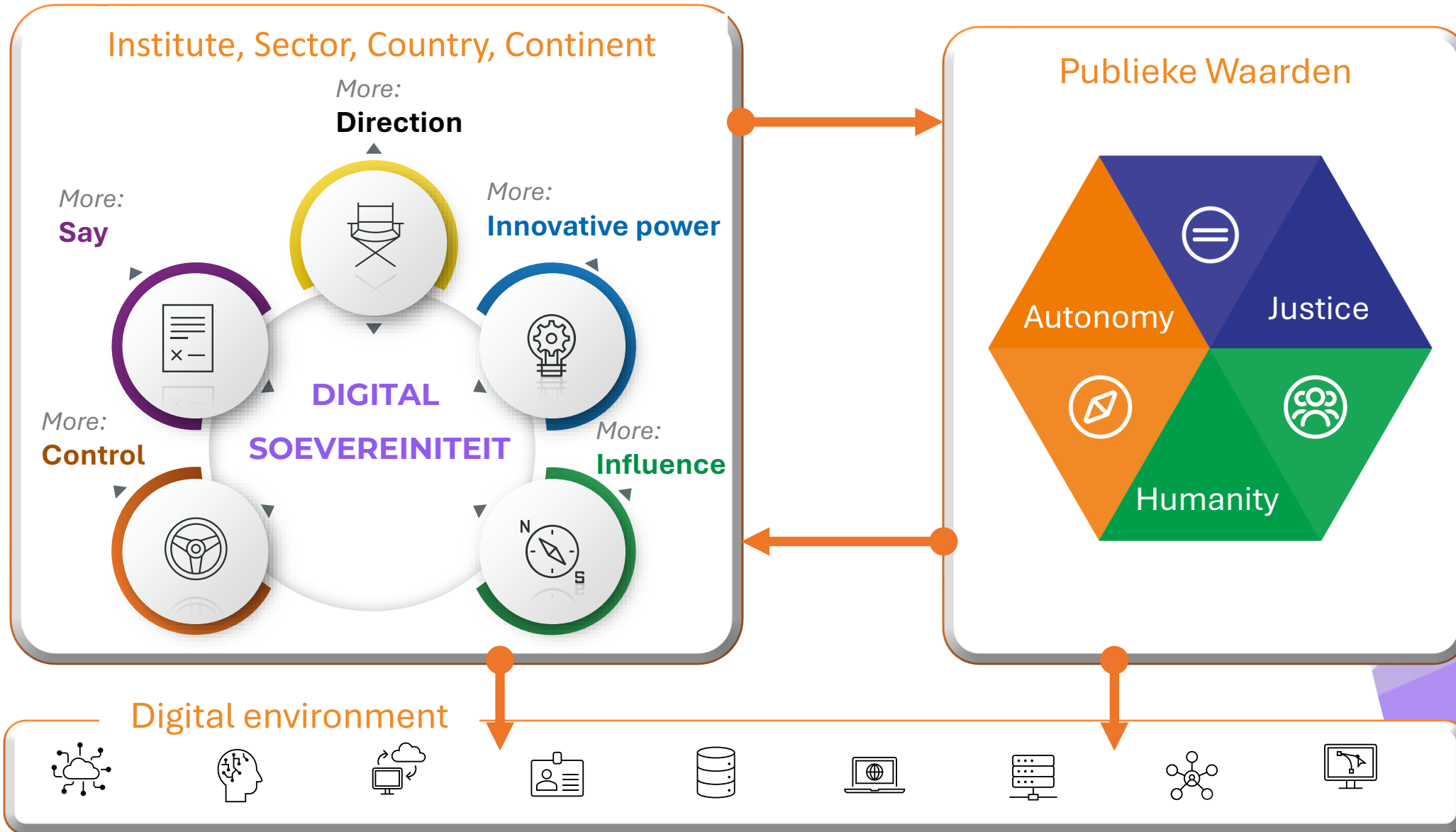


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Words, concepts and understanding one another (well enough)...



7 different and new challenges in research and education



1. Dependence on big tech



2. Disappearing datasets



3. The power of big tech (politics)



4. Academic freedom



5. Disinformation



6. Other people's values

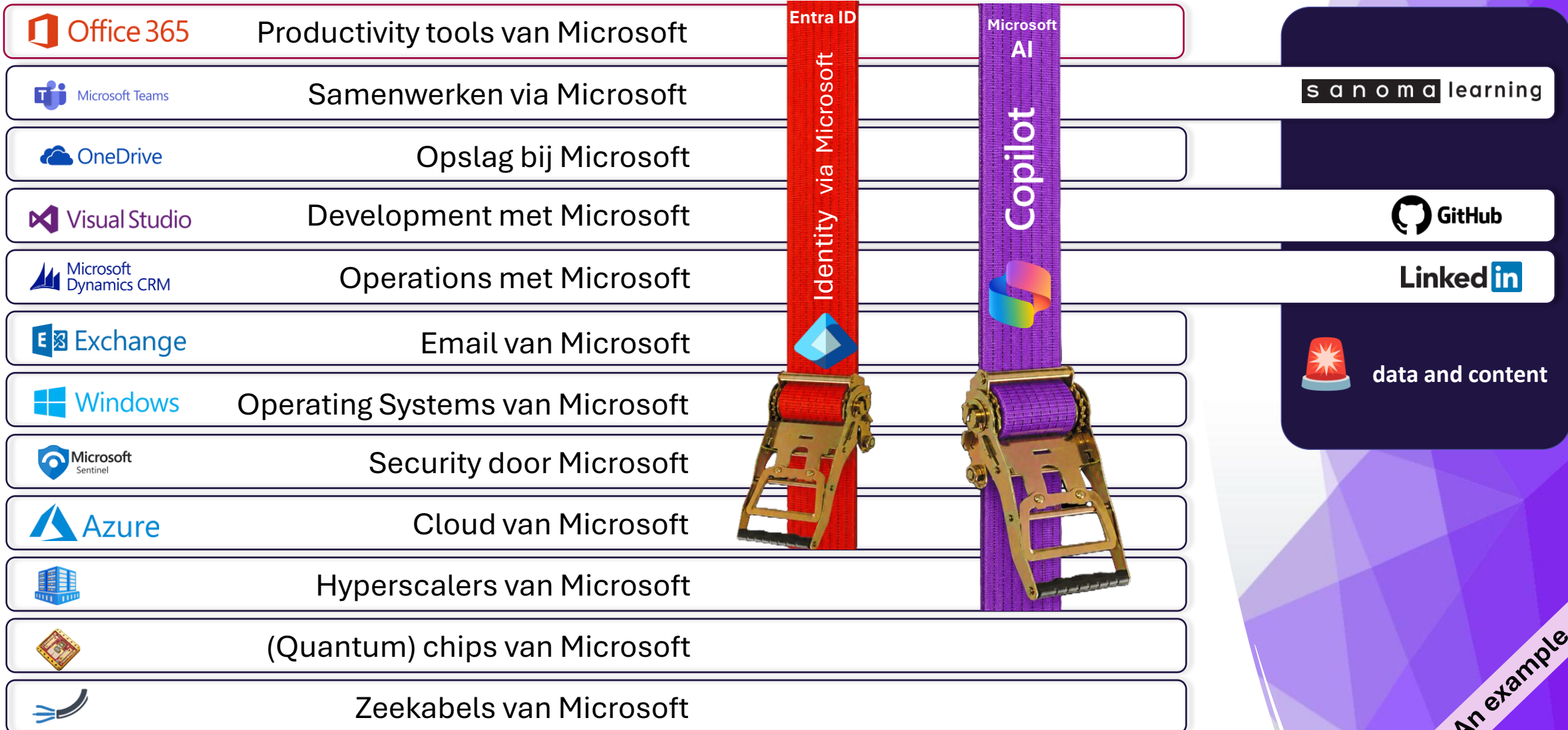
Google schrapt verbod op het gebruik van zijn AI voor wapens



7. EU-US data transfer

What dependency on a vendor (lock-in) looks like in 2026.

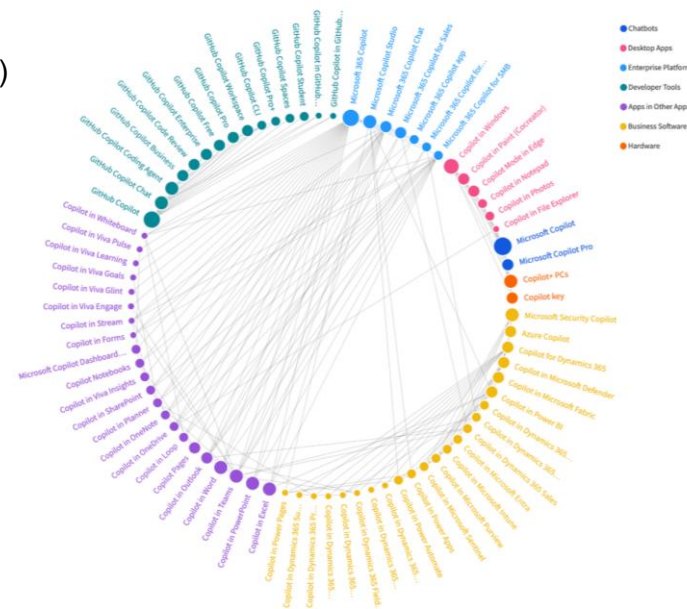
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An example

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| 7. Copilot Mobile (iOS/Android) | 33. Copilot for Data Factory | 59. Copilot Runtime (Windows AI stack) |
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| | | 80. Embedded Copilots (per app varianten) |



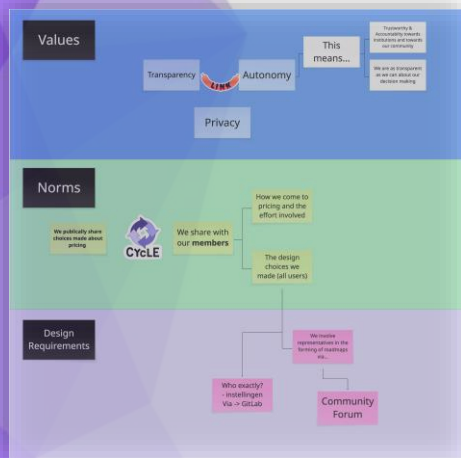
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From our work on Responsible Tech



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Actions, Perspectives



Try - Enabling alternatives

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PeerTube

In addition to
Youtube



Concerns about :
privacy, 3rd party
cookies, algorithms,
advertisements



Mastodon

In addition to
Twitter/X



Concerns about:
Disinformation, social
safety, dominance



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In addition to
Adobe Photoshop



Concerns about:
Price increases,
bundling, market
position



Nextcloud

In addition to
Microsoft Office/Teams

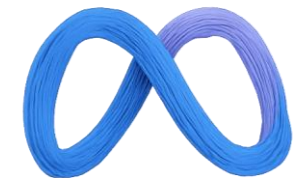


Concerns about:
Freedom of choice,
bundling, geopolitics,
EU-US privacy



Pubhubs

In addition to
Facebook



Concerns about :
Privacy, inclusion,
geopolitics,
disinformation

Try – Bringing up resilience and continuity

Having the conversation about:

- What might happen.
- What the consequences will be.
- What the impact will be if “something” fails.
- What will happen if “something” comes to a standstill.
- Giving grace to open-source applications

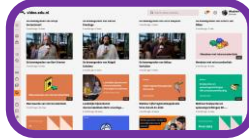
So, if you want to be resilient, you need to :

- Preparations have been made.
- Measures have been put in place to prevent disruptions.
- Measures have been put in place to deal effectively with any disruptions that do occur.
- Knowing what decisions, you’ll make when the going gets tough.

Try - Working towards healthy digital ecosystems

1.

Applicatie-/ User layer
"The interface"



PeerTube (video.edu.nl)



Nextcloud



EduGenAI

..XYZ

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2.

Hub- / Middleware-layer
"Trusted AI HUB"

- Freedom of choice
- Transparency
- Guardrails
- Sustainability
- Accountability

WHY?

3.

GPT / LLM-laag



GPT-NL



4.

Infrastructuurlaag



Collectieve Datacenters
(Operations)



AI Factories
(Development)



Datacenter
Euro(big)tech



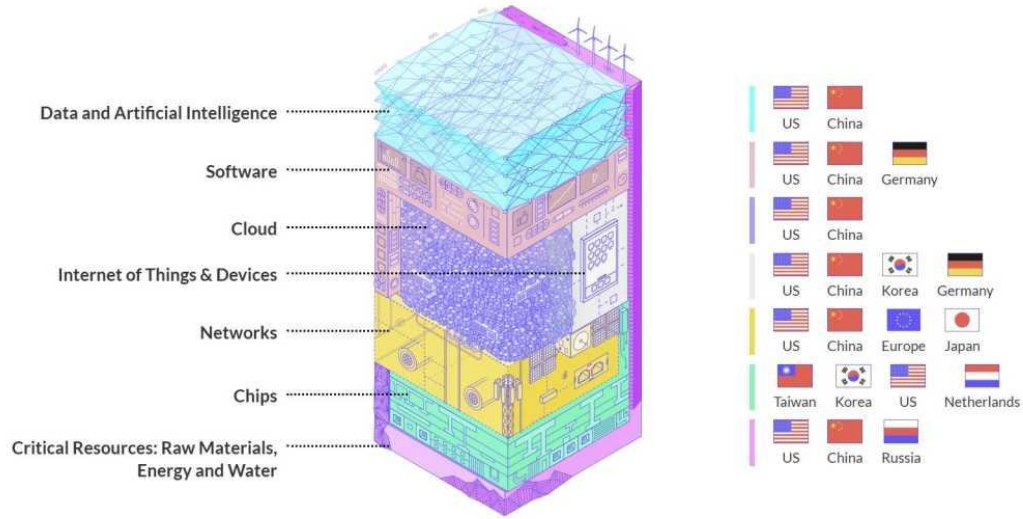
Datacenter
Campus

Example: AI

Closing
That's for them
to sort out...



The bigger picture: everyone has their own role



Denk:

- Digital Services Act
- Digital Market Act
- AI Act
- Data Act
- GDPR



The New York Times

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By Adam Satariano and Ana Swanson

Adam Satariano reported from London, and Ana Swanson from Washington.

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Everyone has their own role

Partnerships



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Institutional level



Team and individual level

Where do you see opportunities?

Chats Heidag Info session Open
Together Petition Agendas Options

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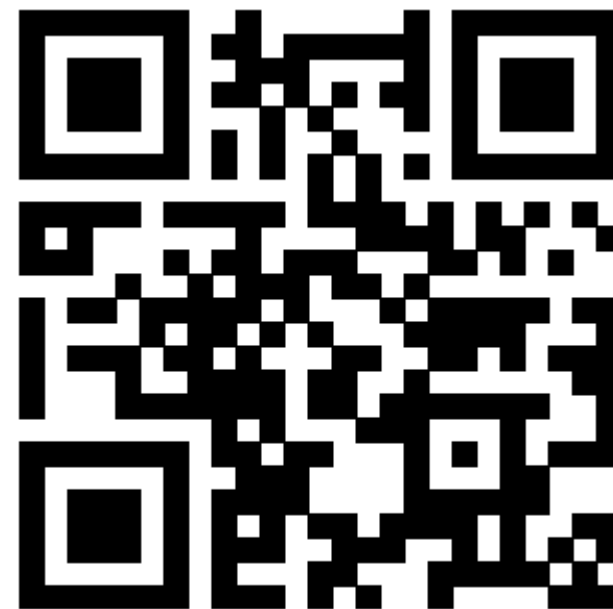
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Digital sovereignty, autonomy, and public values: what exactly do we mean?

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