Welcome to the latest edition of the CAIDP Update, your source for staying informed on the developments and actions being taken in the world of AI policy.

This week, we bring you the latest updates on AI from around the world, including the EU and CoE's adoption of new priorities with a focus on digital technologies and human rights, EU lawmakers' discussions on AI risk classification, ACM's guidelines for safer algorithmic systems, European Parliament's rules for labor algorithms, US Rep. Ted Lieu's call for an AI agency, Italian privacy agency's ban on a US-based AI Chatbot and India's plans to launch AI institutes and promote privacy techniques.

January 2023 was a busy month for CAIDP, as the organization actively pursued its mission to promote a fairer, more just, and accountable society through AI policy. A recap of important events is provided to give a snapshot of CAIDP's ongoing efforts to advance its mission.

It is with great excitement that we announce the upcoming release of the CAIDP report, "Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values" on April 6th, 2023. This comprehensive report features the latest global ranking of countries based on their national AI policies and practices and measures progress towards safeguarding human rights and the rule of law. Get ready to gain valuable insights and stay ahead of the curve in the world of AI policy.

Stay tuned for the latest updates and join us in advocating for transparency and accountability in AI systems.
EU and CoE Adopt New Priorities

The Council of the European Union, made up of ministers from EU member states, has set its priorities for cooperation with the Council of Europe (CoE) over the next two years. The European Convention on Human Rights will remain a key priority for the EU, while the cooperation agenda will also address new human rights issues such as digital technologies, AI, climate change, and environmental protection.

CAIDP, Council of Europe AI Treaty

EU Lawmakers Continue to Discuss AI Risk Classification

European lawmakers met last week to discuss the classification of AI systems in terms of potential risks under the new AI Act. EURACTIV reports that the co-rapporteurs proposed a regulatory dialogue with the relevant authority in case AI developers ask for their systems to be excluded from the high-risk category, with the European Commission having the power to amend the list of critical areas for high-risk AI applications.

CAIDP, EU AI Act
ACM Sets Out Guidelines for Safer Algorithmic Systems

The Association for Computing Machinery's (ACM) Technology Policy Council has released "Safer Algorithmic Systems," a technical bulletin which highlights the risks associated with the ubiquity of algorithmic systems and the need for increased safety protocols. The brief calls for a comprehensive approach to safety, including research into human-centered software development methods, organizational safety cultures, and internal and independent oversight mechanisms, and notes that with the increasing prevalence of AI and other complex systems, the need for safer algorithms becomes more and more urgent.

CAIDP, AI Frameworks

MEPs Advance Rules for Labor Algorithms

The European Parliament has approved the start of negotiations on measures to improve conditions for workers on digital labor platforms, with 376 MEPs voting in favor and 212 against. The new rules will regulate the employment status of platform workers and the use of algorithms and AI in monitoring and evaluating their performance.

CAIDP, EU AI Act

US Rep Calls for AI Agency

U.S. Representative Ted Lieu has called for the establishment of an AI agency in a recent op-ed published in the New York Times. Citing the exponential growth of AI technology, Lieu stresses the importance of proper regulation to ensure its safe, ethical, and beneficial use for society.

CAIDP, AI Bill of Rights

Italian Privacy Agency Bans US-based AI Chatbot
The Italian data protection authority (Garante) has ordered the creator of an AI chatbot, Replika, to stop processing personal data of Italians due to concerns over inadequate data practices. The authority found that the chatbot, which is marketed as a tool to improve users' mood and emotional well-being, poses risks to minors and emotionally vulnerable individuals.

CAIDP, AI Frameworks

India to Launch AI institutes, Promote Privacy Techniques

The Indian government has revealed plans to set up three specialized AI centers in top educational institutions to advance responsible AI use and address key social and economic challenges in areas like agriculture, health and sustainable cities. The government aims to balance innovation with privacy protection, by introducing a national data governance policy that grants access to anonymized data for research by startups and academia.

CAIDP, AI and Democratic Values

CAIDP ACTIONS

CAIDP January 2023 Recap

CAIDP was at the forefront of a busy January 2023, as the organization took various actions to advance its mission of promoting a fairer, more just, and accountable society through AI policy.

Along with other civil society groups, CAIDP sent a statement to the Council of Europe (CoE) outlining key matters for the CoE Committee on AI, including the protection of human rights and democratic institutions. In a separate letter, CAIDP expressed concern to US Attorney General Merrick Garland about the US Department of Justice's position on the negotiations for the first global convention on AI at the CoE.

CAIDP President Marc Rotenberg spoke at the World Bank's Data Privacy Day 2023, emphasizing the importance of fairness, accuracy, and transparency in
handling personal data in the AI era. Meanwhile, CAIDP and other civil society organizations have expressed concern over the recent decision to exclude them from the drafting group for the Council of Europe’s (COE) treaty on AI.

CAIDP’s AI Policy Clinic began its spring semester, with a diverse group of AI policy advocates, practitioners, and researchers from 60+ countries working together to research, analyze, and advocate for AI policies. CAIDP Research Director Merve Hickok addressed the Council of Europe Committee on AI about the importance of addressing algorithmic discrimination and promoting transparency in AI.

Finally, CAIDP welcomed New Board Members: Ursula Pachl, Deputy Director General of BEUC, Ivan Fong, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary of Medtronic, and Wonki Min, Honorary President of SUNY Korea and former Ambassador for STI of Republic of Korea.

PUBLIC VOICE OPPORTUNITIES

UN Office of the Tech Envoy - Global Digital Compact and AI

The Office of the Tech Envoy is seeking comments on the Global Digital Compact, to be adopted at the Summit of the Future which will be held in September 2023. The Secretary-General has proposed that the Global Digital Compact “outline shared principles for an open, free and secure digital future for all.”

CAIDP, Public Voice
CAIDP’s Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values Index evaluates national AI policies and practices.
With its comprehensive overview of key global and local power actors and initiatives The Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values Index is an essential instrument for the facilitation of this shared global dialogue on AI now and in many years to come.

- Gry Hasselbalch, DataEthics.eu, InTouchAI.eu, about the AIDV Index

GLOBAL ACADEMIC NETWORK (GAN) NEWS

Alessandro Acquisti is the Trustees Professor of Information Technology and Public Policy at Carnegie Mellon University's Heinz College. His research combines economics, behavioral research, and data mining to investigate the role of privacy in a digital society. His studies have promoted the revival of the economics of privacy, advanced the application of behavioral economics to the understanding of consumer privacy valuations and decision-making.

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Analyses From Members of the CAIDP Global Academic Network

Disrupting Data Injustice With Renée Cummings

"Predictive analytics and algorithms are typically designed to be efficient tools that streamline processes in healthcare, insurance, law and banking fields, among others. But is algorithmic efficiency creating tradeoffs that are eliminating worthy people from receiving the support they need? Are potential clients becoming lost in the data? Join Renee Cummings, Data Science Professor of Practice at The University of Virginia and Non-Resident Senior Fellow at The Brookings Institution, in this meaningful discussion regarding AI Ethics and the future of our algorithmic society."

Selected Issues in the Ethics of AI  

"This book covers broad topics on the ethics of artificial intelligence (AI). The collection makes a case for a wider outlook on the ethics of AI. The goal of these chapters is to entertain more diverse views, particularly those from Africa. This edited volume appeals to researchers and students working in ethics and philosophy of technology."

Emma Ruttkamp-Bloem, Samuel Segun

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- For our Spring 2023 cohort, we have over 250 participants, representing more than 60 nationalities. Applications for the Fall 2023 cohort will open in mid-March.

Join us and become a leader in the growing field of AI policy!

AI POLICY EVENTS

- Global Conference on Internet for Democracy, UNESCO, Paris, February 21-23, 2023
- Release of Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values, CAIDP, Washington DC, April 6, 2023
- Committee on Artificial Intelligence Plenary meeting, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, April 19-21, 2023
- Computers, Privacy, and Data Protection, Brussels, May 24-26, 2023
- Committee on Artificial Intelligence Plenary meeting, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, May 31-June 2, 2023
- Committee on Artificial Intelligence Plenary meeting, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, September 13-15, 2023
- Global Privacy Assembly, Bermuda, October 15-20, 2023

AI [Tomorrow Summit] # Wearerunningtothefuture 10-11 February 2023
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