Call for Submissions: Trusted Internet Summer School on Internet Governance and International Law [fully funded, fully residential, Lodz, Poland, July 8-12, 2024]

Please let me extend an invitation to the **Trusted Internet Summer School on Internet Governance** and International Law (SSIGIL), a week-long event sponsored by the <u>Internet Society Foundation</u> as part of its dedicated <u>project</u> on **Satellite Internet: Trust and Data Governance.** This inaugural edition is co-organized with the <u>Global Internet Governance Academic Network</u> and kindly hosted by the <u>University of Lodz Faculty of Law and Administration</u> and its <u>Lodz Cyber Hub</u>. Do feel free to share it among your networks.

The summer school will be held fully residentially in Lodz, Poland, from 8 to 12 July 2024, focusing on the theme "Low Earth Orbit Satellites and Data Transfers: Ensuring a Trusted Internet." We seek to host up to 20 fully funded participants from academia, civil society, government, and business who want to deepen their understanding of new Internet infrastructures policies and regulations, international law and Internet governance.

Abstract Submission

We welcome submissions from various stakeholders eager to engage in a dialogue about the new frontier of Internet governance and international law surrounding Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellites. We invite researchers, civil society activists, members of the technical community, and governmental representatives to apply as we engage in a week-long focused exchange on international law, Internet governance, human rights, cybersecurity, digital sovereignty and new Internet infrastructures to better understand their implications on data governance and trust in the Internet ecosystem.

Submit Your Application

To secure your fellowship with the Trusted Internet Summer School on Internet Governance and International Law (SSIGIL) and spend a week in Lodz, all* expenses paid by the Internet Society Foundation, please send an email to ssigil@wpia.uni.lodz.pl by April 28th, including the following:

Abstract (up to 500 words): Clearly outline your proposed presentation related to the theme of Low Earth Orbit Satellites and Data Transfers, Internet governance and international law. Themes for submissions include but are not limited to:

- International law and Internet governance research methodologies
- International law norms and principles in cyberspace
- Responsible state behaviour in cyberspace
- Digital sovereignty and technological autonomy
- Critical internet infrastructures in international law
- Data governance, cybersecurity, cybercrime and DNS Abuse
- Personal data, privacy and human rights
- Intermediary liability, freedom of expression, jurisdiction, and Internet fragmentation
- Internet governance and Sustainable Development Goals, including Internet access
- WSIS +20 and bridging the digital divide

Motivation for participation: In your application, **please articulate your reasons for wanting to** participate in the Trusted Internet Summer School. This should include your professional or research background and **its relevance** to LEO governance. Specifically, outline your expected **outcomes** from this experience (refer to the section below for more details).

Outcome Expectations: Detail your expectations regarding the outcomes of your participation: What topics do you wish to discuss? How do you plan to contribute to the discussion? What policy or research questions are you seeking answers to? How would these inquiries support your current work or future research? What do you expect to take away? Would you be interested in contributing to a post-event publication?

You will be expected to deliver a 30-minute presentation during the workshop, starting a conversation on the theme of your interest.

Professional publication opportunity: Participants will have the opportunity to submit peer-reviewed papers for consideration in an edited volume of a prestigious periodical slated for publication in early 2025. However, participation in this initiative will depend on individual willingness to contribute. We encourage attendees to consider sharing their insights to enhance scholarly discourse on the issue.

Travel expenses reimbursement policy: *We will cover all expenses related to your accommodation during the school and provide full catering throughout the event, including breakfast, lunch, and dinner. To ensure equitable participation, support or reimbursement for travel expenses will be offered on an individual basis to participants who request assistance in covering the costs, contingent upon the budget of SSIGIL. Applicants are invited to provide an estimate of their travel expenses in their application, and to indicate whether they would require partial or full reimbursement. This information will help us in making equitable and informed decisions regarding the allocation of travel support.

Important Dates:

- Deadline for Abstract Submissions: April 28th, 2024

- Notification to Authors: May 14th, 2024

- Programme Publication: June 1st, 2024

- Trusted Internet Summer School Dates: July 8th - 12th, 2024

The SSIGIL Programme Committee will assess the applications on their merit and complementarity with the event themes, geographical and gender balance. We reserve the right to contact only selected speakers.

We warmly welcome your active participation in this new Giganet hosted event, which focuses on Low Earth Orbit Satellites and Data Transfers. We aim to foster knowledge exchange and informed policymaking in the fields of international law, cyberspace, cybersecurity, and internet governance.

For detailed information and submission guidelines, please visit www.cyber.uni.lodz.pl/SSIGIL or reach out directly to the organizing team at ssigil@wpia.uni.lodz.pl with any further questions or queries.

We eagerly anticipate your contributions and engagement in this event and look forward to seeing you in <u>Lodz</u>.