

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION BY THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL MARKET AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Google, Facebook, Twitter and other, are we giving out our personality to private companies? How can the EU and its Member States protect citizens' private and personal data in digital age? Or is the Internet a “zone of absolute freedom”?

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The European Youth Parliament,

- A. Emphasising that the right to privacy is a fundamental human right,
 - B. Fully aware that mass collection and analysis of data is present almost everywhere on the internet,
 - C. Deeply concerned that data about people's preferences and opinions can be misused as means of manipulation or even blackmailing,
 - D. Noting with regret that users mostly do not understand the practice of collecting and marketing user data and do not know how to defend themselves against it,
 - E. Alarmed by the fact that European legislation on data protection is not unified across Member States;
1. Requests higher sanction for breaking the data protection law;
 2. Considers launching a media campaign which would inform people what companies collect data on the internet, dangers of sharing your personal data on the internet and how to protect yourself from misuse of your personal data;
 3. Calls upon the creation of a software checking what kind of data are the companies gathering and preserving;
 4. Recommends including information about personal data collection into the school curriculum in order to fight the practice of collecting and marketing the data;
 5. Calls for unification of the legislation concerning Internet protection across Member States.