

Governing the Digital

Organisation of digital policy at the highest political level

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This learning call will raise the issue of how government deal with digitalisation on the highest political level, especially in the case of ministries and secretaries. It will do so in highlighting historical insights and current trends. It will also give members of the Network of Centres to engage in a brainstorming process concerning their countries or countries of their interest.

Digitalisation is a huge challenge for several organisations: from start-ups to large companies, from NGOs to international organisations. Many organisations are in the process of finding the best setup to meet the challenges and profit from the opportunities digitalisation has to offer. But who should be in charge? And how should responsibilities be distributed across the board? While there are many reflections on organisational change in public administration or companies, there is comparatively little reflection on organisational changes on the highest political level.

In the learning call, we will highlight some general questions concerning governing the digital and highlight recent trends like the establishment of a ministry of the digital in France or trends in other countries around the world. It will be shown how these issues are dealt with in countries from all continents. The ultimate aim will be to learn something about how we construct the digital. Everybody with an interest in this issue is well invited to join the call irrespective of discipline. We are looking forward to welcome you at our learning call.