

EJC/OKF School of Data Journalism, Perugia, Italy, 25-29 April 2012

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Organisers:

- European Journalism Centre: www.ejc.net, www.DataDrivenJournalism.net
- Open Knowledge Foundation: www.okfn.org

Workshop 2: Information wants to be free (FOI session)

14:00 - 15:30 | Friday, 27 April | Hotel Sangallo

Speakers: Heather Brooke (@newsbrooke) - activist and author; Steve Doig (@sdoig) - Walter Cronkite J-School and Helen Darbishire - Access Info Europe.

Overview:

Freedom of information requests are constantly evolving. Law changes and technological advancements make it increasingly easier to file and systematise FOI requests, and importantly track their progress through the system.

A panel discussion with demonstrations and case studies examining the current state-of-play with FOI requests in Europe and beyond and looking into what's next for the Freedom of information movement.

- *The current FOI landscape in Europe and beyond, including loopholes and get-out-clauses*
- *Tech solutions to FOI submission, automisation, acceleration, traceability and what these mean for journalism. Demos of sites such as:*

- www.AsktheEU.org
- <http://whatdotheyknow.com>
- <http://FragdenStaat.de>
- <http://tuderechoasaber.es>

Other useful links:

- Campaign for Freedom of Information www.cfoi.org.uk UK
- The Guardian <http://www.guardian.co.uk/politics/freedomofinformation>
- AP https://www.facebook.com/note.php?note_id=10150914656220651
- Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press <http://www.rcfp.org/foia> U.S.
- Society of Professional Journalists <http://www.spj.org/foi.asp> U.S.
- The Journalist's Toolbox <http://www.journaliststoolbox.org/archive/public-records/>
- Society of Environmental Journalists <http://www.sejarchive.org/foia/>
- National Freedom of Information Coalition <http://www.nfoic.org/foi-center/> U.S.
- Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism <http://journalism.berkeley.edu/resources/foi/> U.S.
- Freedom of Information LTD <http://www.freedomofinformation.co.uk/> U.K
- Scottish Information Commissioner

- <http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/home/ScottishInformationCommissioner.asp> U.K.
- Journalism.co.uk
<http://www.journalism.co.uk/skills/how-to-submit-a-freedom-of-information-request/s7/a548038/>
U.K.
- Information Commissioner Office
http://www.ico.gov.uk/Global/faqs/freedom_of_information_act_for_the_public.aspx#fA4236BFE-176B-4C39-8500-BC73EB7EE199 U.K.
- Wobbing Europe <http://www.wobbing.eu/> EU
- The Campaign for Freedom of Information
<http://www.ssipa.it/wp-content/uploads/2009/04/UkFoiGuida.pdf> U.K. pdf report
- <http://www.alaveteli.org/> - International Right to Know software
- <http://www.whatdotheyknow.com/> - Make and browse FOI requests
- <http://www.theyworkforyou.com/> - Find out about your MP/ MSPs/ MLAs
- <http://www.fixmystreet.com/> - Report, view, or discuss local problems
- <http://opencorporates.com/> - see if company registers are available
- <http://www.investigativedashboard.org/>
- OCCRP - Organised Crime and Corruption Reporting Project:
<http://www.reportingproject.net/occrp/>