

# PATS- Project Newsletter

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In this newsletter the PATS project announces the latest news about the project progress.

## *WP6 Focus Group Workshops*

In August 2011 all partners of the PATS project held WP6 Focus Group Workshops where we discussed with stakeholders, privacy and branding experts about establishing privacy awareness and accountability. The aim of these focus groups was to bring together experts from the public and private sectors who are involved with surveillance systems. In particular we aimed to discuss how and to what extent surveillance systems can be made more publicly accountable. The focus group participants provided valuable expert input into an evaluation of ethical branding concepts developed in the project.

## *PATS Project Meeting - Tel Aviv*

A PATS Project Meeting took place in Tel Aviv from Oct 24-26. This meeting focused on WP7 "Policy Recommendations", taking into account the findings from the WP 6 focus group workshops. The resulting policy recommendations serve as the starting point for the WP7 evaluation round with policy experts.

## *Publications*

Guagnin, Hempel, Ilten: Privacy Practices and the Claim for Accountability. In: Von Schomberg, Rene von (ed.) 2011: Towards Responsible Research and Innovation in the Information and Communication Technologies and Security Technologies Fields, Luxembourg: Publication Office of the European Union

Ilten, Guagnin, Hempel (2011): Does accountability work for the German security industry? in: Privacy Laws and Business International, issue 112

## *Next steps*

We are currently reviewing the contributions to the "Privacy and Accountability" conference volume. The book is planned to be published in spring 2012.

Moreover we are preparing our participation in the fifth international CPDP (Computers, Privacy and Data Protection) conference in Brussels in January 2012: <http://www.cpdpconferences.org>.

The PATS project will host the two panels "Communicating privacy in societies" (Jan 25) and "Communicating privacy in organisations" (Jan 27).

The CPDP conference "aims to bring together academics, practitioners, policy-makers and civil society so they can meet, exchange ideas and discuss emerging issues of information technology, privacy, data protection and law."