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Building bridges between tech and policy

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WHAT I CAN DO FOR YOU

We are people of enormous power and influence over the web. I empower digital professionals to use that power wisely. As a tech policy and regulation specialist, I educate the profession on the policy issues which impact our work, inspire professionals to participate constructively in the regulatory process, and facilitate cooperation between policymakers and project leaders.

WHAT I'M WORKING ON NOW

Tap My Data

2019 - Ongoing Remote / UK

Regulatory advisor on privacy law and tech policy throughout the Brexit process; also supporting their participation in ICO's regulatory sandbox

Open Source CMS Privacy Initiative

2018 - Ongoing Remote / Global

Establishing a coalition of privacy team members from open source CMS projects working on a combined 70% of the sites on the open web

Mozilla Open Leaders

01/2019 - 05/2019 Remote / Global

Selected for Mozilla's leadership training programme in support of the open source CMS privacy initiative

After Brexit

2016 - Ongoing

<https://afterbrexit.tech>

Regulatory monitoring on Brexit's impact on domestic tech policy. Used as a resource by Parliament, the European Commission, and the media

WHAT I KNOW

PGCert, Internet Law and Policy

University of Strathclyde, 2015

BA, International Affairs

The George Washington University, 2000

WHAT I BELIEVE

"If you're not at the table, you're on the menu."

WHAT I DO BEST



Empowering people

I give contributors knowledge, support, and inspiration where it matters



Bringing teams together

I help diverse global project teams overcome cultural obstacles to success



Inspiring audiences

I've delivered over 30 conference talks to audiences in 8 countries - so far



Writing for impact

I explain complex legal and policy issues with clarity and empathy



Reaching across boundaries

I provide the leadership needed to support collaboration across teams and projects

WHERE I AM



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LinkedIn

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GitHub repo

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