

# High Level Event “Data From and for Society”

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# KEYNOTE TALK

Data Access and Re-use for Societal Value Creation





## **Stefaan Verhulst**

***Co-Founder, The GovLab | Editor in Chief, Data & Policy | Curator in Chief, The Living Library***

Stefaan G. Verhulst is Co-Founder and Chief Research and Development Officer of the Governance Laboratory (The GovLab) at New York University (NYU), an action research center focused on improving governance using advances in science and technology - including data and collective intelligence.

He is also, among other positions and affiliations, the Editor-in-Chief of Data & Policy, an open access journal by Cambridge University Press; the research director of the MacArthur Research Network on Opening Governance; Chair of the Data for Children Collaborative with Unicef; and a member of the High-Level Expert Group to the European Commission on Business-to-Government Data Sharing.

In 2018 he was recognized as one of the 10 Most Influential Academics in Digital Government globally (as part of the Top 100 in Digital Government) by the global policy platform Apolitical.

Before joining NYU full time, Verhulst spent more than a decade as Chief of Research for the Markle Foundation, where he continues to serve as Senior Advisor. [...]





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[...] At Markle, an operational foundation based in New York City focused on leveraging and investing in new technologies to address critical public needs, he was responsible for overseeing strategic research on all the priority areas of the Foundation including, for instance: transforming health care using information and technology, re-engineering government to respond to new national security threats, improving people's lives in developing countries by connecting them to information networks, changing education through information technology among other domains.

Previously at Oxford University he was the UNESCO Chairholder in Communications Law and Policy for the UK where he co-founded and was the Head of the Program in Comparative Media Law and Policy, He was a Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Socio Legal Studies and the Socio Legal Fellow of Wolfson College, and is still an emeritus fellow at Oxford. He also taught several years at the London School of Economics; and was Founder and Co-Director of the International Media and Info-Comms Policy and Law Studies (IMPS) at the University of Glasgow School of Law.

He has published widely - including seven books- and is asked regularly to present at international conferences including TED. Numerous organizations have sought his counsel - including the WorldBank; IDB, USAID, DFID, IDRC, AFP, the European Commission, Council of Europe, the World Economic Forum, UNICEF, OECD, Un-OCHA, UNDP and several other international bodies.

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# SESSION 1

Data from society... Access to privately held data for official statistics:  
what are the red lines?

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## **CHAIR**

***Dominik ROZKRUT***

***President / Statistics Poland***

President of Statistics Poland since 2016. Chair of the ESS Partnership Group for 2020-2021 and PG TF on access to privately-held data. Vice-Chair of OECD CSSP Bureau and CES UNECE Bureau. Member of the UN Friends of the Chair Group on the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics, the UN Global Working Group on Big Data, UNECE Group on Modernisation of Official Statistics, EC expert group on Facilitating the Use of New Data Sources for Official Statistics. President-Elect (for 2021-2023) and President (2023-2025) of the International Association for Official Statistics, a member of the Main Council of the Polish Statistical Association. Adjunct professor at the Department of Statistics and Econometrics, University of Szczecin.





**Angelique BERG**

**Director-General / Statistics Netherlands**

### **Short Biography Angelique Berg MSc. (1969)**

Mrs. A. Berg (Angelique) is since September 1, Director General of Statistics Netherlands.

Before that she was from January 1, 2015 Director General of Public Health at the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport. Angelique Berg was previously Director General for Tax Policy and Legislation at the Ministry of Finance, where she started her career in 1993. There she held various positions until her appointment in 2001 as Adviser of the Prime Minister at the Ministry of General Affairs (portfolio Economic Affairs, Transport, Water Management and Agriculture). In 2007, Angelique Berg moved to the then Ministry of Housing. There she worked respectively as Director Local Environmental Quality and Transport, and as Director Climate and Air Quality.

Angelique Berg studied Public Administration and Finance at the Erasmus University in Rotterdam.

She lives in The Hague with her three kids (18, 16 and 14 years old).



**Erki SALUVEER**

*CEO / Positium*

Erki Saluveer is CEO at Positium, a data analytics company based in Tartu.

Having over 15 years of experience with mobile data, Erki's main focus is finding new and exciting applications for mobile location data to turn anonymised raw big data into valuable insights about crowd mobility. He also contributes to academic discussions in the domain and has participated in a number of international projects as a field expert.





**Erik WETTER, PhD**

***Assistant Professor Stockholm School of Economics / Chairman Flowminder***

Dr. Wetter has a position as Assistant Professor at Stockholm School of Economics (SSE) and is the Chairman of Flowminder.org.

Dr. Wetter has acted as policy advisor on innovation and data in the European Commission High-Level Expert Group on Business-to-Government (B2G) Data Sharing, the European Commission Expert Group on Facilitating the Use of New Data sources for Official Statistics, and the UN Foundation Technical Advisory Group (TAG). He currently serves on the board of the Partnership on Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (PARIS21).

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## **MODERATOR**

**Padraig DALTON**

*Director-General / Central Statistics Office Ireland*

Pádraig Dalton was appointed Director General of the Central Statistics Office (CSO) in May 2012.

Pádraig joined the CSO in November 1991 as a Statistician and during his career in the CSO has worked in a broad range of domains including Business Statistics, Methodology, Balance of Payments, Labour Market, Social Inclusion, Census and Demography.

Pádraig is a member of the: European Statistical System Committee (ESSC); UNECE High Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics, serving as Chair from November 2013 to March 2018; Bureau of the Conference of European Statisticians (CES); National Statistics Board; Civil Service Management Board; ESRI Council.





**Mário Martins CAMPOS**

***Deputy Diretor-General of the information systems/ Autoridade Tributária e Aduaneira***

Mário Martins Campos graduated in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Branch of Electronic Systems and Computers, by Instituto Superior Técnico in 1997. He started his professional activity at Andersen Consulting (currently Accenture) as an information system consultant, where he remained until February 2001.

He joined Deloitte, where he served as a senior consultant in the area of information systems between February 2001 and January 2006, in projects in the telecommunications and financial services sectors.

In the Caixa Geral de Depósitos Group, he was responsible, until March 2016, for the area of information systems architecture and business architecture, as well as for the observatory of technological trends to support the business.

Since 2016 he has been Deputy Director-General in the Tax and Customs Authority responsible for the area of information systems.



**Álvaro ORTIZ, Phd**

*Head of Big Data Research / BBVA Research*

Álvaro Ortiz is the Head of Big Data Research at BBVA Research. He manages the unit implementing the Big Data analysis for Economic, Social and Geopolitical Issues. He holds a PhD in Economics (Universidad Autonoma de Madrid) and Advanced Diploma in International Economics and Policy Research (The Kiel Institute for World Economics in Germany). He holds a diploma on Machine Learning for Economists (CEMFI) and hold Data Science Professional Certificates from HarvardX (R) and IBM (Python).

He has presented his works or participated as panelists at the European Central Bank, Bank of England, Federal Reserve Board, Bank of Spain, Bank of Italy, OECD and IMF. He has presented his works at NBER Summer Institute 2020 .and AEA-ASSA 2021





**Maurizio VICHl**

*ESAC Chair, Sapienza University of Rome*

Maurizio Vichi is full professor of statistics at Sapienza University of Rome and head of the Department of Statistical Sciences.

He has been founding President of the Federation of European National Statistical Societies, President of the Italian Statistical Society and President of the International Federation of Classification Societies.

He is chair of the European Statistical Advisory Committee of the European Union.

He is Editor of the international Journal Advances in Data Analysis and Classification, (Impact Factor 2019, 1.609).

He is author of more than 120 papers with 1629 citations and H-index 28, on: new multivariate methods for data analysis of Big Data and statistical tools for decision making.



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# SESSION 2

Data for society... Data that matters! Using data for better lives, for a higher good!

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## **CHAIR**

***Jūratė PETRAUSKIENĖ, PhD***

***Director-General / Statistics Lithuania***

Dr. Jūratė Petrauskienė is Director General of Statistics Lithuania since November 2019.

She graduated from Vilnius University with a Master's degree in Statistics and in 2011 obtained her PhD in Mathematics.

She has been working in Statistics Lithuania since 2004, responsible for different domains of statistics: prices, quality management, development of new methods and technologies for production of official and experimental statistics, new data sources, implementation of GSBPM and successive reorganization of processes and the Organizational structure in the office.

She is an active member of the ESS and international statistical community, since February 2021 she is a member of the PG.



**Roberto DI BERNARDO**

*Head of Open Government group / Engineering Ingegneria Informatica SpA*

Roberto Di Bernardo, electronic engineer, is Senior Researcher at Engineering Ingegneria Informatica SpA (Italy) and head of the Open Government Group, part of Open Public Service Innovation (OPSI) R&D area. Since 2004 he has been working in Engineering R&D Laboratory. Involved in management and technical activities in European projects, he is now working as R&D opportunity and networking developer for OPSI lab. His group coordinates and is involved in several European projects, such as: DECIDO (DT-Governance-12), INTERSTAT (CEF Public Open Data), ACROSS (DT-Governance-05). Currently, he is the coordinator of URBANAGE project (DT-Transformations-02) and involved in the co-leadership of TF7.SG8 (Smart Governance and Smart Cities) within BDVA, co-leader of FIWARE Smart Cities Domain committee and leader of SWG3.5 (Public services, e-government, digital citizenship) of ECSO.





**Carlos OLIVEIRA**

***Executive President / Fundação José Neves***

Carlos Oliveira is one of the co-founders and Executive President of Fundação José Neves.

Over the past 21 years, led the successful growth of a number of technology and digital enterprises. With an entrepreneurial and visionary spirit, experience in entrepreneurship, innovation, digital transformation, company growth strategy and policies for innovation.

At the age of 22, started his first company, MobiComp, that was acquired by Microsoft in 2008.

He is currently one of the 15 members of the European Innovation Council Advisory Board at the European Commission.

Carlos was Secretary of State for Entrepreneurship, Competitiveness and Innovation at the XIX Portuguese Government.

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## **MODERATOR**

**Emanuele BALDACCI**

*Director, Directorate A / EUROSTAT*

Emanuele Baldacci is currently the Director responsible for corporate operations and statistical innovation of Eurostat, he holds this position since last February. In the previous three years, he was Director of Digital Services at the European Commission's DG Informatics. He was responsible for developing the European Commission corporate data platform and support e-government programs in Europe through interoperability. Previously he worked at Eurostat, as responsible for methodology, IT and dissemination services and at the Italian Statistical Office, as head of department in charge of corporate services and statistical production innovation. He has a large experience in the economic and financial fields. He held senior positions at the International Monetary Fund, in the area of public finance, and at the World Bank on social policy programs. He also worked as Chief economist at SACE, a large trade insurance group in Italy. He has PhD in Demography and is author of several scientific publications on fiscal sustainability, macroeconomic risk in advanced and emerging economies, population ageing and social protection and official statistics modernisation.





***Wieteke DUPAIN***

***Head of Knowledge, Research & Development / Euclid Network – the European Social Enterprise Network***

Wieteke Dupain is Head of Knowledge, Research & Development at Euclid Network (EN) – the European Social Enterprise Network. She is responsible for EN's knowledge centre, research activities and several international (EU)-programmes (including EaSI, BuySocial). Furthermore, she supports the CEO in strategy, partnership and membership management and general development of EN.

She has over 15 years experience in driving positive change through data and research across private, public and third sectors. She has worked, amongst others, for the United Nations, Microsoft, Thomson Reuters, the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the CEMS Global Alliance in Management Education.

Wieteke holds masters in strategic management and international management from RSM Erasmus University, ESADE and CEMS. Today, she lives with her husband and son in Rotterdam, the Netherlands.



***Emmanuel LETOUZÉ, PhD***

***Marie Curie Fellow / Universitat Pompeu Fabra; co-Founder / Data-Pop Alliance***

Dr Emmanuel Letouzé is a Marie Curie Fellow at the University Pompeu Fabra Barcelona, the co-Founder of Data-Pop Alliance, an MIT Connection Science Fellow, a Visiting Scientist at the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative, a co-founder and former Director of the Open Algorithms (OPAL) project, a Member of the European Commission's Expert Group on "Private data for official statistics" and a Technical Adviser to the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data. He wrote UN Global Pulse's White Paper on "Big Data for Development" (2012) and worked as an Economist for UNDP in New York (2006-10) and in Vietnam for the French government as a Technical Assistant in official statistics (2000-04). He holds a BA in Political Science and an MA in Economic Demography from Sciences Po Paris, an MA in Economic Development from Columbia University, where he was a Fulbright Fellow, and a PhD from UC Berkeley (2016), where he focused on Big Data for demo-economic research.





**Markus SOVALA, PhD**

***Director-General / Statistics Finland***

Dr. Markus Sovala is Director General of Statistics Finland from March 1, 2021. His 5 years term extends until 2026.

Previously he has held several senior civil servant positions in the Ministry of Finance, including Economic Policy Coordinator, Director General of the Economics Department as well as Deputy Budget Head. He has also acted as a Prime Minister's Economic Policy Advisor and Finland's representative in World Bank.

Dr. Sovala is also Vice President of the Board of Directors of DigiFinland Ltd and have led several Government ICT-projects at strategic level. In 2016-2021, he led a project aiming at establishing a semi-autonomous region around City of Helsinki.