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RightsCon is the world's leading event on the future of the internet, convening business leaders, government representatives, online activists and visionaries, technologists, legal experts, civil society members, and more from across the globe. This year, RightsCon 2016 will include three full days of programming to tackle some of today's most challenging issues.

With over 250 sessions and more than 850 participants anticipated, RightsCon 2016 will provide unparalleled opportunities to engage with community leaders in sessions, private meetings and discussions, satellite events, parties, movie screenings, and social events.

Here's an early taste of what to expect this year. **Get your tickets here**.

Sessions are organized by ID number (a helpful identifier for participants to differentiate sessions and navigate the program) and format.

The program is made up of:

▸ **Program Session**: Panel talks, fireside chats, workshops, contentious debates, and roundtable discussions — these interactive and participatory sessions use debate and collaboration to drive outcomes in pressing issue areas. These sessions run either 60 or 75 minutes in length.

▸ **Lightning Talk**: Engaging, dynamic, and poignant talks introduce an emerging issue, event, or perspective to new audiences. These short 8 minute talks can be catalysts for future collaboration between participants.

▸ **Tech Demo**: Fast-paced introductions to exciting new products or projects helping defend and extend the digital rights of global users at risk. World-leading designers and technologists present these 8 minute demonstrations in the Demo Room.

▸ **(Node)Workshops**: Interactive, learning-focused, and outcomes-oriented workshops aimed at elevating the knowledge and skill-sets of participants in various tech and human rights tools, processes, and issues.

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HUMAN RIGHTS, TRADE, AND BUSINESS

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Uploading the rule of law: new platforms for global justice	245	ABA Center for Human Rights	Program Session
Bring back the lawyers!	80	Access Now	Program Session
Defining responsibility in the age of the sharing economy	11	Article One	Program Session
AEC and Trans-Pacific Partnership Trade Agreement (TPP) and its impact to the regions	56	Asia Source	Lightning Talk
How has the Iran Deal changed tech sanctions?	191	ASL 19	Program Session
Protecting user rights online: practical issues facing early-stage technology companies	211	Berkman Center for Internet & Society	Program Session
Who is an intermediary? Harmonizing multiple definitions	167	Centre for Internet and Society (CIS)	Program Session
Beyond CSR: promoting strong Human Rights performance among online private sector intermediaries	129	Centre for Law and Democracy	Program Session
Regulating private sector intrusion technologies & services	34	Citizen Lab/DFRI - the Association for Digital Freedoms and Rights	Program Session
Evidence based research and advocacy strategies for engaging companies: cases and lessons	201	Citizen Lab, University of Toronto	Program Session
Social media and governance: what is the evolving role of social media in advancing and accountability in developing countries	60	Eastern Africa Policy Centre	Lightning Talk
And then they came for us: defending technologists from human rights abuses	262	Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF)	Lightning Talk
The activist's toolbox: strategies for effective user rights advocacy	12	EFF	Program Session
Governments stifling innovation: the impact of internet freedom on tech startups	203	Freedom House	Program Session
Planning and setting up a whistleblowing initiative for media and activists with GlobaLeaks	57	Hermes Center for Transparency and Digital Human Rights	Program Session
The interplay between Human Rights and technology in the MENA region: policies and regulations	29	Hivos Internet Governance for MENA Region program	Program Session
Human Rights on the internet: Brazilian perspectives	107	Brazilian Institute of Cyber Law	Lightning Talk
How technology and policy are essential to environmental justice	276	Motiv Power Systems	Program Session
The Transparency Reporting Toolkit launch	164	Open Technology Institute	Program Session
The art of admission: how mobile apps are documenting court-admissible evidence of Human Rights violations	233	Physicians for Human Rights	Program Session

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Ranking tech companies part 2: software, devices and networking equipment	165	Ranking Digital Rights	Program Session
Building a network of progressive institutional investors	142	ShareAction	Program Session
Adaptation of social media technologies for indigenous rights advocacy in rural Malaysia	44	The Indigenous Peoples Network of Malaysia (JOAS)	Program Session
How Mega-events affect Human Rights	96	Univ. of San Francisco/ Human Rights Advocates	Lightning Talk

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

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Mashing up analogue and digital media for human rights in Iran	140	#NotACrime	Hub Table Session
Local color: harnessing art to articulate and confront issues of human rights	241	Human Rights Watch	Hub Table Session
Mapping the landscape for online removal requests: a research workshop with the Berkman Center's Lumen Project	141	Berkman Center for Internet & Society at Harvard University/The Lumen Project	Program Session
Network disconnections: effects on civil and trade rights	120	Bytes for All	Program Session
Peaceful assembly in a private commons: exploring the role of global corporations in protecting freedom of peaceful assembly and association online.	231	Bytes for All	Program Session
What's working (or not) in policing online hate speech?	210	CommunityRED	Program Session
Towards intersectional digital rights in Latin America	111	Derechos Digitales	Lightning Talk
Toeing the line: ineffective and unjust national security strategies in MENA	230	EFF	Program Session
Human rights online: emerging threats and opportunities	198	Freedom House	Program Session
Combatting terrorism online	138	Global Network Initiative	Program Session
Addressing extremism online terrorist use of the internet and social media	289	Google	Program Session
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Armed conflict & internet: safe spaces for civilians	283	Internet Sans Frontières	Program Session
Reinforce alternative media in Brazil: the successful case of collaborative coverage by the youth	264	Internet Without borders	Hub Table Session
Web annotation as a right	160	Janastu	Lightning Talk
Intermediary liability: balancing creative freedom with protecting rights	83	Meetup	Program Session
Protecting and promoting the rights of LGBT persons to Freedom of Expression and Access to Information: the role of the UN Special Rapporteur	104	Office of the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression	Program Session
Administrative censorship online: necessary evil?	117	Open Net Korea	Lightning Talk
Is the hyperlink at risk?	252	OpenMedia	Lightning Talk
Security, technology and rights: balancing needs in a race to radicalize and counter-radicalize	127	Peace and Security Funders Goup	Program Session
Personal is political: digital storytelling and the politics of anonymity and visibility	251	Point of View (India) | Luchadoras TV (Mexico)	Program Session
The changing ecosystem of broadcast delivery	184	Psiphon Inc	Program Session
The invisible hand of the censorship troll	225	R3D	Lightning Talk
New meets old [media]: what online news can and can't do for democracy	197	Reboot	Hub Table Session
Censorship by proxy – making intermediaries liable for internet cleanse	304	SFLC.IN I	Hub Table Session
Dealing with dangerous speech while preserving digital rights	311	SMEX	Program Session
#GOIBlocks — technical observations about recent internet censorship in India	30	Tactical Technology Collective	Program Session
The digital threat of ISIS	86	The ISC Project	Program Session
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All power to the people or how to get your #right mind and your #freedoms.	242	Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice	Program Session
Coalition this, coalition that: Building local networks for a global movement	250	Bolo Bhi	Hub Table Session
HERSTORY: the history of feminist movement in Pakistan & the subcontinent	237	Bolo Bhi	Lightning Talk
Accelerating women's digital inclusion	40	BSR	Program Session
Hacking politics	25	Democracy Earth Foundation	Lightning Talk
Civil society engagement towards the OECD Ministerial Meeting on Digital Economy in Mexico 2016.	205	Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC)	Hub Table Session
How free is free? Open access and digital rights in the social sector	32	Foundation Center	Program Session
Amplifying the voice of marginalized communities at the intersection of technology and Human Rights	204	Freedom House	Program Session
Multistakeholder approaches to fostering global connectivity	288	Google	Program Session
Online rights, online duties?	286	Harvard Kennedy School	Lightning Talk
WSIS+10 review, IGF2015 and beyond: time for a Human Rights based approach?	64	Human Rights Centre, University of Essex	Program Session
Pursuing policy progress: methods & challenges of civil society in the internet policy-making process	219	Internews	Program Session
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This House believes ICANN is not accountable to the global multistakeholder community	27	Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi	Program Session
Internet Freedom and UN Human Rights mechanisms	103	Office of the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression	Program Session
Building an inclusive community: Code of Conduct principles and best practices	243	Open Tech Institute	Lightning Talk
Moving beyond access: measuring trust in the internet and digital rights	267	OTF/Research ICT Africa	Lightning Talk
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PRIVACY AND DIGITAL SECURITY

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Security now: how Iranians evade sophisticated targeted attacks	189	ASL 19	Program Session
Responsible data in Human Rights documentation	296	Benetech	Program Session
Driving a paradigm shift toward Human Rights-respecting cybersecurity policy by design	268	Center for Democracy & Technology CDT	Program Session
Binary choice or balancing test: the fundamental challenge of the encryption debate.	255	Centre for Internet Society	Lightning Talk
"What do privacy and transparency mean to you?" Perspectives from the Global North and South	207	Citizen Lab, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto	Program Session
Towards best practices for documenting, analyzing and responding to abusive surveillance	254	Citizen Lab/UC Berkley	Program Session
Online threats against women: case studies in Colombia and Costa Rica	92	COLNODO	Program Session
Emerging issues in cybersecurity, professional ethics and technology	174	Constitutional Communication	Hub Table Session
Big data and consumer surveillance	246	Cooperativa Sulá Batsú	Hub Table Session
Beyond encryption: protecting high risk users	193	EFF	Program Session
Surveillance, race and movement building	186	Free Press	Program Session
Understanding effective cybersecurity capacity building	258	Global Cyber Security Capacity Centre, University of Oxford	Program Session
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Walking the tightrope between Freedom of Expression and privacy online: staying safe but remaining vocal	74	Internews	Hub Table Session
Library Freedom Project: how librarians empower local communities to fight surveillance	247	Library Freedom Project	Lightning Talk
Building a communications technology rights agenda	85	May First/People Link	Hub Table Session
How California is fighting back against cybersurveillance	13	Media Alliance, SF Bay Area	Program Session
Do no harm: creating change in politically sensitive environments	182	Mozilla Foundation	Hub Table Session
Criminal (in)justice of vulnerability disclosure	106	National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), of the Ministry of Security and Justice of the Dutch National Government	Program Session
Domain name policies: little known but growing risks for users	124	NCUC	Program Session
Help! We are under digital attack! Multi stakeholder responses and threat sharing	146	Netherlands	Program Session
The implications of Hacking Team in Latin America	228	NGO Derechos Digitales	Hub Table Session
Privacy, anonymity, and warrantless access to subscriber identification data	113	Open Net	Program Session
Migrants, surveillance and Human Rights — how to escape the security paradigm?	284	Panoptykon Foundation	Program Session
Untamed data mining activities in Africa and its implication for digital rights of citizens	31	Paradigm Initiative Nigeria	Program Session
Big data usage in healthcare: Human Rights, informational self-determination, and privacy	294	Patient Privacy Rights	Program Session
Shaping digital rights policy for next decade — engaging with the 2016 OECD Ministerial Meeting on Digital Economy	61	Public Knowledge	Hub Table Session
Implementing a whistleblower submission portal in Mexico to protect individuals' data privacy rights	301	SonTusDatos (Artículo 12, A.C.)	Lightning Talk
Big data breaches: the tipping point for trust?	196	The Internet Society	Program Session
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How to get media and break through on your issue	89	TBD	Program Session
The Cyber-Development Nexus: promoting digital inclusion and safeguarding digital security within international development and humanitarian assistance	173	Global Affairs Canada	Program Session
The Human Rights response to the zero-rating conundrum	1	GW Law School	Program Session
Enough talk about the problem, what's the solution— how do we connect the next African billion?	125	Hivos East Africa	Program Session
Connectivity at risk? Keeping vulnerable groups connected	300	Instituto de Tecnologia e Sociedade (ITS) - Rio de Janeiro	Program Session
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Zero-ratings, Net Neutrality & African Innovation	208	IREX	Program Session
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"The Tools We Make, the Politics We Don't": a debate on the politics of liberation technologies	48	The Digital Public Square Project	Program Session
Technology in North Korea	10	University of Washington	Program Session
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THE DEMO ROOM

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New tools for preservation and sharing of Human Rights multimedia	200	Benetech	Tech Demo
Innovative Tech for Advancing Economic and Social Rights	238	Center for Human Rights Science at Carnegie Mellon University	Node Workshop
Launch of a portal on Freedom of Expression Online (India)	292	Centre for Internet Society	Tech Demo
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I Will Follow You Into the Dark[net]	41	CryptoParty NYC	Node Workshop
Use of a Wiki tool for Documentation and Presentation	22	Datacom Informatika	Tech Demo
Let's Encrypt the Entire Web	312	EFF	Tech Demo
Privacy Badger: stopping online tracking	309	EFF	Tech Demo
Tool Up!	202	Electronic Privacy Information Center (and Hungarian Civil Liberties Union)	Tech Demo
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Digital Security & Localization: Making your tools globally accessible	308	Localization Lab	Workshop
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Checkdesk: verifying breaking news online	66	Meedan	Tech Demo
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Video as Advocacy: Media Techniques to Advance Advocacy and Litigation Goals	134	New Media Advocacy Project	Node Workshop
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Privacy is possible. Signal makes it easy.	310	Open Whisper Systems	Tech Demo
Digital tools to realize analog rights: The MyVoice citizen feedback platform	195	Reboot	Tech Demo
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You Gotta Fight for Your Right... to Edit	63	Wikimedia Foundation	Lightning Talk
Educate; Don't Advocate — A practical workshop for engaging with Wikipedia while having a point of view	126	Wikimedia Foundation	Workshop
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There's more to come, believe it or not, with sessions focusing on topics like:

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‣ LGBTI, Human Rights, and Digital Security
‣ Intermediary Liability and the Manilla Principles
‣ Digital Inclusion and Women's Rights Online
‣ Data Détente: Exploring Challenges and Opportunities in Trans-Atlantic Data Flows
‣ From Digital Divides to Language Divides: Towards Principles for Digital Language Inclusion
‣ Fighting Online Misogyny

‣ Transparency Reporting and Corporate Social Responsibility
‣ Ensuring Users' Rights within Emerging Governance Structures for the Internet
‣ Citizen Journalists, and Counter-censorship Projects in Repressive Internet Environments
‣ The Situation of South Asian Bloggers
‣ Trade Agreements and Digital Rights
‣ The Visual Communication Explosion Online

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