



International Conference

"Academic Days on Open Government Issues

Journées universitaires sur les enjeux du Gouvernement ouvert".

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Call for Papers

On December 5-6, 2016, the University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and IMODEV will host a 2-day international conference entitled "Academic Days on Open Government Issues". This international event, under the direction of Irene Bouhadana and William Gilles, will be the 17th of a series of IMODEV international conferences on the Law and Governance of the Information Society. These academic days will be organized during the week dedicated to the theme since France, as chair of Open Government Partnership, will host the Open Government Global Summit in December 2016. These Academic days aim to bring together all of academia concerned with issues related to open government by favoring a broad and multidisciplinary dimension.

One of the objectives of the open government movement is to support greater transparency, encourage citizen participation and collaboration in governmental decision-making, but also to promote government accountability. In this regard, it is important to emphasize the role of citizens, civil society and stakeholders in the decision-making process in order to improve governmental policies.

The Origins of the "Academic Days on Open Government Issues"

Experiences of OGP members, observed since 2011, have shown that, if civil society is largely associated with the process of open governments, the academic community has not been sufficiently consulted. It is important to emphasize that the academia must be a stakeholder of the open government process. The concept of "Academic Days" was never before experienced in previous events of the OGP. By organizing this event, along with the IMODEV and the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Dr. Irene Bouhadana and Dr. William Gilles have also chosen to organize for the first time a scientific event dedicated to issues of open government, seeking to bring together academics - regardless of their disciplines - to enable them to discuss these issues through a scientific approach.

The Academic Days aim to bring together all academics interested in these subjects, regardless if their countries are or not members of the OGP. The underlying objective is to build a university doctrine on open- government issues: IMODEV, as an international network of researchers and academics, and the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne are already working fully in favor of promoting these themes. The idea of having this scientific event at the Paris World Summit is to impose the academic participation.

A Multi-Disciplinary and International Event

This scientific event aims to bring together all those who wish to think, with an academic approach, about themes that are associated with the opening of governments, through an academic approach. This multidisciplinary event will associate law, political science, economics, management, mathematics, computer science, social science, history, sociology, environmental science, arts, and all other subjects or fields which may be related to these issues.

These days will, due to their transverse and multidisciplinary character, allow us to understand, analyze and debate the issues of open government with representatives from the five continents.

A Collaborative Event

The goal of this scientific event is to have participants and speakers as stakeholders, making it possible for everyone to participate in various forms of the interventions proposed.

You can also propose new research topics related to the theme of this meeting, by registering at least 6 speakers to debate your proposal.

An Event Open to Youth, Students and Young Researchers: Transmitting to the Leaders of Tomorrow

Moreover, these days are intended to be also open to young researchers (PhDs, PhD students, master students 2). The intention is to involve the younger generations to the challenges of tomorrow regarding open government issues. The young researchers will conduct roundtables or workshops.

A committee of young researchers will be established to coordinate this work.

The Possibility for Academics to Value their Research in the Various Formats of the Event

The variety of the proposed interventions allow each participant, regardless of her/his field of research, to present and defend her/his work, subject to availability.

Lightning talks

The lightning talks are short oral presentations in which speakers are invited to defend in front of the public their research idea in 5 minutes.

The lightning talks are an opportunity for researchers to confront the exercise of outreach and synthesis of their research in order to make them understandable to the greatest number. By their nature, lightning talks fail to go into the details of the research: this goal is pursued by other forms of intervention proposed during these days (workshops, round tables...). The aim of lightning talks is for researchers to present the substance of their research work and to deliver the bulk of their content in a complete but concise manner.

This method of academic presentation is intended to generate interest and to foster openness to discuss and debate with colleagues and counterparts in those Academic days.

Stakeholders wishing to participate in this exercise must propose an intervention topic or theme to the Scientific committee of Academic Days stating their name, function, university or institution, and a 10 lines abstract. All this information can be sent on the online platform dedicated to these days: <http://academicdays.imodev.org>

The topics of the lightning talks will resume those initially proposed in the Workshops (open government, open data, fight against corruption, citizen participation and co-construction, right to respect for private life, mass surveillance, etc.), this list can be completed on the same terms with your own proposals.

These lightning talks will be held in French or English.

Workshops

The Workshops are sessions bringing together a small group of participants. The goal of these interventions is to present in ten minutes the research to group members. Following this presentation, a discussion ensued between the panelists.

The workshops will allow participants to discuss, contribute and build on themes related with open governments in open groups of ten to twenty people.

The workshops can cover all the topics related to the issues of open government. Are already planned workshops on the following topics:

Arts & Open Government	Corruption & Open Government
Open Data	Post-Conflict & Open Government
Right to Information & Access to Open Government	Commons & Open Government
Right to Privacy	Citizen Participation & Collaboration
Health & Open Data	International Institutions & Open Government
Foundation of Open Gov (philosophy, sociology)	Open Parliament
Management & Open Government	Open Justice
Mathematics & Open Government	Freedom of Speech & Open Government
Open Government	European Union & Open Government
Open Access to academic research	Open Law & Open Government
Big Data Issues	Security & Open Government
Smart cities	Local Government & Open Government
Digital Divide	Cyber surveillance & Open Government
Net Neutrality	Democratic Case Management in the Legal Process
Brexit and Open Government	History and Open Government
Disability Access & Open Government	

When it meets a sufficient number of participants (minimum of 6), any speaker can propose to the Scientific Committee of Academic days other themes. The proposal must indicate the working language (French, English, Spanish, Portuguese or Russian), the name and functions of the responsible of the workshop, the workshop title and a ten lines abstract (written in French or English) that will be reviewed by the scientific committee.

‘Young Researchers’ Workshops

The young researchers can participate in all the formats proposed during the Academic days (lightning talks, workshops, Poster presentations...). However, dedicated spaces are offered through workshops ‘Young Researchers’.

The workshops ‘Young Researchers’ are intended to be a laboratory of ideas and meetings between students and young researchers worldwide.

The working languages of the Young Researchers’ Workshops are free and agree between them. Presentation languages are French or English.

The involvement of young researchers and students contribute to the success of the event by building bridges and points of contact within the university and other students and young researchers.

Poster presentation

The scientific poster presentations aspire to highlight researches being carried out by academics. This form of participation also allows researchers enrolled in these days of academic understanding of the

work of their counterparts. The poster presentation is also a transmission and communication tool, promoting contact between the researcher who presented her/his research work and members of the academic community interested in research exposed.

Posters shall be presented in French, English or Spanish.

‘Ateliers créatifs’ (Creative sessions)

The opening of governments also aims to promote freedom of expression. For this reason, the organizers of the Academic days wanted to combine open government issues and the artists, who are one of the direct expression of this freedom.

The aim is to enable academic artists to present their work during these two days. This creative space is a place for exchange and co-participation not only open to creative training, but also to non-usuals, thus including non-academics.

All art forms are accepted (photography, caricature, drawing, sculpture, literature, etc.) since they concern a theme of open government (freedom of expression, transparency, open government, open data, privacy, citizen participation, Net neutrality, mass surveillance, etc.).

The Academic days, an integrated event at the OGP Global Summit 2016 in Paris

Academic researchers present at the Academic Days can take part in the three days of the OGP Global Summit 2016 in Paris (7, 8 and 9 December 2016). Additional information on how to register at the Paris Summit is available at the following address: www.etalab.gouv.fr/ogp

More information could be found on this Website. Academic Days researchers will also have a great opportunity to enjoy different events during the week of the OGP Global Summit.

This initiative aims to contribute to the expansion of the Open Government Partnership by promoting the full engagement of the academic community.

The work rendered during these academic days will be recognized in the main summit, held in Paris from 7 to 9 December 2016. Workshops will be devoted to this event and will allow visibility of the works of researchers presented at Academic Days.

A valuation of the research work

The Academic days are intended to enhance the thematic research on issues related to open government. This valuation will take several forms.

- *Filmed Sessions*: some sessions will be filmed. These records will be published online (free and open access)

- *Publication of the best articles in an international journal with scientific committee*: articles that have been validated by the scientific committee will be published in the International Journal of Open Government or the International Journal of Digital and Data Law. Both journals are free and open access and use the best technologies to ensure effective *SEO*, and therefore, visibility and international promotion of publications.

- *Publication of other contributions on the website of Academic Days*.

Information and contact

We remain at your disposal for any questions regarding the organization. We invite you to visit now our Internet platform dedicated to the event at the following address:

<http://academicdays.imodev.org>

Through this platform, you can register now as a speaker or participant. Registration on the platform is mandatory (**before November 10, 2016**). Here you can submit your proposals for intervention, but we also provide thematic suggestions as mentioned above. Looking forward to the Academic days on open government issues, we invite you to consult our Internet platform and discover all of our activities:

<http://www.imodev.org>.

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About IMODEV

The Institut du Monde et du Développement pour la Bonne gouvernance Publique (IMODEV)© is an international scientific organization, independent and non-profit that works to promote good public governance in the context of the information society.

To do this, this international research network brings together experts and researchers from around the world that contribute, through their work and their actions, to a better knowledge and understanding of the digital society, whether local, national or international.

The Institute organizes regularly, in France and in several countries, seminars and scientific events on open government and digital society issues.

About the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

With **eight hundred years of excellence to build on**, the University Paris 1 Panthéon- Sorbonne, a descendant of the Faculty of Law and Economics of the Sorbonne, is one of the most famous and largest universities in France. Some forty thousand students are enrolled in 14 teaching and research departments (Unités de Formation et de Recherche) and 5 Institutes, which offer top level degree courses in law, political science, economics, management and the humanities. The university is principally located in the heart of the Latin Quarter, and occupies part of the Sorbonne and other prestigious French university buildings. Paris 1 is at the center of a rich network of international relations stretching across the five continents and plays a major role in training researchers, academics, judges, lawyers, senior managers and top French civil servants. At the cross - roads of tradition and modernity, Paris 1 is at the forefront of research and education in its fields, and aims to be a major pole of research and education in Europe in the 21st century.



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