

**European policy seminar:  
The Policy Challenges of Electronic Privacy**

**When:** 28 February 1330-1530  
**Where:** Flemish parliament, Hertogstraat 2, Brussels  
**Registration:** [viwta@vlaamsparlement.be](mailto:viwta@vlaamsparlement.be) (by 26<sup>th</sup> of February)

Short term gains from the use of new technology might have severe long-term effects for privacy unless action is taken by the authorities. A new report from the European Parliamentary Technology Assessment network summarises findings from seven European countries (<http://www.eptanetwork.org/EPTA/EPTA-report-ict-and-privacy-in-europe.pdf>). At the seminar we invite the participants to discuss different policy options to meet challenges such as:

- Review of surveillance systems by independent bodies
- Citizens' access to their own records and logs
- Empowering data protection agencies
- Mandatory Privacy Impact Assessments (PIAs)
- Privacy enhancing technologies (PETs)
- International privacy standards

**Program:**

**1230 Sandwich lunch,**  
*courtesy of the Flemish Institute for Science and Technology Assessment (viWTA)*

**1330 Welcome address,**  
*Robby Berloznik (viWTA)*

**1340 EPTA Report on ICT and Privacy in Europe: Conclusions**  
*Walter Peissl, Institute for Technology Assessment (ITA), Austria*  
*Christine Hafskjold, The Norwegian Board of Technology (NBT)*

**1410 Electronic privacy: Challenges for Europe,**  
*Alexander Alvaro, MEP*

**1440 Panel discussion: Where do we go from here?**  
*Cornelia Kutterer, European Consumers' Organisation*  
*Koen Gorissen, Belgian Privacy Commission*  
*Toby Stevens, Enterprise Privacy Group*  
*Chair: Tore Tennøe (NBT)*

**1615 Closing remarks**

**1630 Drinks and snacks**