
News in Brief

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Several selected recent news of interest for the broader constituency of Electronic Governance research and practice are listed in the following. For simplicity, these news is briefly presented in the form of headlines, arranged in chronological order and accompanied by pointers to sources that interested readers are invited to check. At the same time the word cloud below is meant to offer a quick glimpse of the overall news coverage.

Please note that, although we make every effort to ensure that the links mentioned below are active at the time of writing, we need to disclaim responsibility for eventual cases of broken links at the time of reading. In case our readers spot any such cases, we kindly request them to let the columnist know.



March 13, 2024

What Can Improve Democracy?

<https://www.pewresearch.org/global/2024/03/13/what-can-improve-democracy/>

March 26, 2024

Anti-Corruption and Integrity Outlook 2024

https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/governance/anti-corruption-and-integrity-outlook-2024_968587cd-en

April 18, 2024

EU elections: regions and cities mobilise to counter disinformation and promote citizens' participation

<https://cor.europa.eu/it/news/Pages/defence-of-democracy.aspx>

April 18, 2024

Deliberative democracy: Congress launches new project in South-East Europe

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/podgorica/-/deliberative-democracy-congress-launches-new-project-in-south-east-europe>

April 23, 2024

Three Ways to Better Govern the Use of AI

<https://www.opengovpartnership.org/stories/three-ways-to-better-govern-the-use-of-ai/>

April 23, 2024

Unfinished business: despite FATF money laundering list exit, UAE has much to prove

<https://www.transparency.org/en/news/money-laundering-list-exit-uae-much-to-prove>

April 23, 2024

Democracy and Artificial Intelligence: old problems, new solutions?

<https://www.publicdeliberation.net/democracy-and-artificial-intelligence-old-problems-new-solutions/>

April 29, 2024

EU election campaign stresses importance of voting to protect democracy

<https://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/press-room/20240429IPR20867/eu-election-campaign-stresses-importance-of-voting-to-protect-democracy>

April 30, 2024

Cities Are at the Forefront of AI and Civic Engagement

<https://nextcity.org/urbanist-news/cities-are-at-the-forefront-of-ai-and-civic-engagement>

April 30, 2024

More than 80% of Americans believe elected officials don't care what people like them think

<https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2024/04/30/more-than-80-of-americans-believe-elected-officials-dont-care-what-people-like-them-think/>

May 2024

A Fourth Wave of Open Data? Exploring the Spectrum of Scenarios for Open Data and Generative AI

<https://www.genai.opendatapolicylab.org>

May 2024

Participatory mapping as a social digital tool

http://www.social-life.co/blog/post/mapping_social_tool/

May 3, 2024

And the winners of the innovation in politics awards 2024 are...

<https://innovationinpolitics.eu/press-release/and-the-winners-of-the-innovation-in-politics-awards-2024-are/>

May 7, 2024

What Mission-Driven Government Means

<https://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/mission-driven-government-what-it-means-and-common-misconceptions-by-mariana-mazzucato-and-rainer-kattel-1-2024-05?>

May 7, 2024

First EU rulebook to protect media independence and pluralism enters into force

https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news/first-eu-rulebook-protect-media-independence-and-pluralism-enters-force?pk_source=ec_newsroom&pk_medium=email&pk_campaign=Shaping%20Europe's%20Digital%20Future

May 7, 2024

together.eu: a community standing up for democracy

<https://www.europarl.europa.eu/topics/en/article/20240503STO21389/together-eu-a-community-standing-up-for-democracy>

May 7, 2024

Online Voting: The Essentials

<https://democracy-technologies.org/voting/online-voting-the-essentials/>

May 8, 2024

Dissatisfaction with democracy brewing in parts of Europe, global study finds

<https://www.euronews.com/my-europe/2024/05/08/dissatisfaction-with-democracy-brewing-in-parts-of-europe-global-study-finds>

May 8, 2024

Bruce Schneier: 5 Ways AI Could Shake Up Democracy

<https://www.informationweek.com/machine-learning-ai/bruce-schneier-5-ways-ai-could-shake-up-democracy#close-modal>

May 13, 2024

New Eurobarometer survey shows young people's active participation in civic and democratic life ahead of the upcoming European elections

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_2569

May 14, 2024

These 30 World Justice Challenge Finalists Are Defending Rule of Law and Democracy

<https://worldjusticeproject.org/news/these-30-world-justice-challenge-finalists-are-defending-rule-law-and-democracy>

May 15, 2024

US Senate AI Working Group Releases Policy Roadmap

<https://www.techpolicy.press/us-senate-ai-working-group-releases-policy-roadmap/>

May 16, 2024

2023 IFES Impact Report

<https://www.ifes.org/publications/2023-ifes-impact-report>

May 16, 2024

Why Community Participation is Key to Successful Smart Cities in Developing Countries

<https://moderndiplomacy.eu/2024/05/16/why-community-participation-is-key-to-successful-smart-cities-in-developing-countries/>

May 16, 2024

Artificial intelligence and democracy [report]

<https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/artificial-intelligence-and-democracy>