ROUND TABLE 2: Who do you Trust with your Data in the Cloud?

When: 23 May 2012, 8.00-10.30
Where: Sofitel Brussels Europe, Place Jourdan 1, 1040 Brussels (access map)

In the second Round Table on May 23rd we will look at some of the main threats to an open, global Cloud. The speakers will include academics and privacy and competition experts. They will examine legal and economic questions raised by the prospect of a truly global and open Cloud. The discussion will primarily focus on government users, but it will be equally relevant to individual consumers.

Like during the early days of the Worldwide Web, many people now warn that a truly global Cloud computing environment will be a dangerous place. They argue in favour of the creation of obstacles, often at national border level, to protect government-held private data. But won’t this undermine the potential benefits of the global Cloud? Can Europe afford not to go global? Will foreign Governments have unfettered access to people’s data once it is stored remotely beyond the borders of their home country? Will exclusion of competition from abroad lead to a European cloud-lite and throw away the huge potential offered by a truly global cloud?

SPEAKERS:

Winston Maxwell, Christopher Wolf - Winston is Partner Hogan Lovells Brussels and Christopher is Director of Hogan Lovells’ Privacy and Information Management practice group

Maurits Dolmans - Respondent Partner at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, focusing on IP and competition law within the ICT market.

The panel will include introductory comments from a leading European Academic on the economics of Cloud Computing, name to be confirmed shortly

The session will be moderated by Graham Taylor, CEO of OpenForum Europe.

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