



INFORMATICS COLLOQUIUM

Speaker:

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Algorithms & AI vs. Democracy & Human Rights?

Abstract:

Algorithmic systems and so called „Artificial Intelligence" often come with big aspirations. They promise nothing less than to combat climate change or to bring about social equality. But what challenges can the systems themselves, their development and deployment, mean for human rights and democracy? And in what way is the debate on algorithms and AI crucially related to questions of power and justice in our society?

Bio:

Angela Müller heads the work of AlgorithmWatch CH and of AlgorithmWatch's Policy & Advocacy team. Her policy focuses include the international level (Council of Europe), the EU level (AI Act) and the domestic level in Switzerland. She has testified as an expert before the German Bundestag and the Swiss Parliament and is a member of expert working groups at the Council of Europe and the Data Science Competence Centre at the Swiss Federal Administration.

Angela Müller studied political philosophy and holds a PhD in Law from the University of Zurich, where her research focused on the cross-border applicability of human rights law in the context of globalization and new technologies. She was a visiting researcher at Columbia University, New York, and Hebrew University, Jerusalem. Prior to her current role, she held positions at different universities, for an innovation platform, a civil society think tank on foreign policy, and the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

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Location: Pérolles 21, room A230, Bd de Pérolles 90, Fribourg
Contact person: Prof. Denis Lalanne, Prof. David Bozzini, Dr. Anna Jobin

The colloquium is free and open to the public.