**Keynote Talk**

# Designing the Web for an Open Society

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## Abstract

How can we best design Web technology to support the features we would like of our society such as: openness, justice, transparency, accountability, participation, innovation, science and democracy?

## Bio

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