

## INDECT? What's that?

INDECT is an acronym and stands for "INtelligent information system supporting observation, searching and DETeCTION for security of citizens in urban environment". It is a research project of the European Union which has been developed since 2009 and will be finished in 2013.



By means of video surveillance prosecutable threats are supposed to be recognized, preferably preemptively. In order to do that INDECT connects data from the internet (social networks, search engines, forums etc.) with federal databases and the mentioned video observations. Goal of the project is to find out what potential offenders (meaning you, dear reader) do before they do it; knowing who they are, where they work, who their friends are. That is how INDECT can assess whether we behave "normally" or "abnormally".

### This is what INDECT does:

#### Online:

- Interpretation of personal data
- Automated search routines to detect e.g. violence or "abnormal" behaviour in images or sound
- Automated interpretation of language in chats, to understand the context of a conversation

### On the Street:

- Mobile urban observation system
- Flying cameras (so called "Unmanned Aerial Vehicles" or UAV's like quadcopters). UAV's will be able to automatically and independently identify and trace suspicious moving objects
- Surveillance cameras that interpret our biometric data and create movement patterns



All this data will be stored and combined with data from the EU's telecommunications data retention. One should consider the costs caused by maintaining a database of this size. So not only our fundamental rights are being constrained, but an increase in taxes can follow as a result of it.

### Consequences

Initially INDECT was to be tested on the visitors of the UEFA European Championship in Poland 2012. Goals of this attempted field test were registration of "abnormal behaviour" as well as targeted filtering of chants. Fortunately the Polish population, similar to the ACTA case, was against those measures. We can only hope that it won't ever come to a field test.



### Who will watch the watchmen?

Because of public criticism it is now attempted to leak as little information as possible to the public. Which decisions and data of the research project are made public is now determined by the so called INDECT-



"Ethics Board". This "Ethics Board" consists of 4 policemen, 2 scientists engaged in safety technologies, 1 professor of human-computer interaction, 1 representative of the multimedia industry, 1 professor of law, 1 lawyer for human rights and 1 professor of ethics ([www.indect-project.eu/ethics-board-members](http://www.indect-project.eu/ethics-board-members)).

The 4 policemen do not necessarily have to mean something bad, because primarily the Polish police have defended against the planned field test, however it is to be considered that 4 individuals are from industry and science. Thus it would be a child's play to overrule the professor of ethics and the lawyer for human rights.

### More info online

In case this was not enough information for you get more info online. E.g. on youtube there are the following videos:

- Die totale Überwachung der Bürger
- Indect
- #INDECT: "Städte in Angst"
- Kulturzeit: INDECT

...alternatively take a look at Taskforce Indect's website [www.stopp-indect.info](http://www.stopp-indect.info)

Even more info available at [www.aktion-freiheitstattangst.org](http://www.aktion-freiheitstattangst.org)

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#### Escape & Migration

- Visa waiver
- Air passenger records
- FRONTEX
- Europol
- Schengen information system II
- Passenger Name Records (PNR)



#### Police & Secret Services

- Data retention
- Video and eavesdropping attacks in houses
- collation of data between police and secret services (GTAZ)
- Data mining in central data bases
- biometric data in electronic identity card and passport
- online scanning of private computers

#### School without military

- Against centralised baby- and pupils-data bases
- No visits of military personal in schools
- Civil Clauses for peaceful research only for every university and high school
- Personality profiles, stamped for life
- No military at school

#### Consumer and workers privacy

- Crystal people, shopping cards, scoring
- The electronic health card
- For privacy at work (personal data, health data, time sheets, use of internet)
- Jobcard ELENA ... and its follower OMS
- The centralized tax number

#### Censorship & Freedom of Information

- Locking of internet and censorship
- Net neutrality (Telcoms Package)
- Act for freedom of information
- Stop ACTA ~ TAFTA ~ TTIP
- Open Source not Commercialization

Defend our Constitution and our right to informational self-determination and human dignity!

Everyone can join and fight with us for his civil rights.

The next meetings in the Berlin Anti-War-Café COOP, Rochstr. 3, near Alexanderplatz, will be announced in our web under „Aktivengruppen“.

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