

**interface - Tech analysis and policy ideas for Europe e.V.**

**interface** Interface (formerly Stiftung Neue Verantwortung) is a European think tank specialising in information technology and public policy. Our goal is to ensure that political decision-makers and the public have the expertise and ideas necessary to create policies and make decisions that put the public interest first.

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"Digital Rights, Surveillance and Democracy" (m/f/d)**

interface is a European think tank that specialises in digital technologies, politics, and society. Our aim is to provide policy makers with expertise and ideas that put the public interest first. Our Digital Rights, Surveillance, and Democracy program explores how the use of digital technologies by intelligence, law enforcement and defence agencies impacts fundamental rights and foundational pillars of liberal democracies. The team conducts comparative research on regulatory frameworks, governance policies and oversight institutions across Europe. They also design and administrate practitioner workshops with members of European intelligence oversight bodies to generate recommendations to better rein in disproportionate government access to personal data.

Those recommendations will be published and used to advise lawmakers and other stakeholders on necessary reforms of national security and intelligence legislation. The team also runs a pan-European blog on intelligence, technology, and democracy, which features think pieces and invites different perspectives on curated discussion panels on selected themes.

City: Berlin; Starting date (earliest): 01/10/25; Duration: Up to two years;  
Remuneration: €1005 (for a 16 h work week); Closing date: 31/08/25

**Working field**

We are looking for a student assistant to support our experts in their research on government surveillance and their advocacy for the democratisation and professionalisation of oversight and accountability mechanisms. The position is designed for 16-20 hours per week, starting from October 1, 2025.

- Assist the team with comparative research into the evolving legal frameworks for intelligence collection and oversight across Europe.
- Help with research and advocacy work concerning different forms of public-private cooperation in the field of digital surveillance.
- Edit different types of texts for style, grammar, content, argument.
- Help us with the maintenance work concerning various project websites.
- Support in preparing, implementing, and following up on (virtual) workshops.

## Requirements

- You are currently enrolled at a university or university of applied sciences and live and work in Germany – being based in Berlin is preferred but not a requirement. Please note that you must also be enrolled in the coming wintersemester.
- You possess some knowledge and research experience on either surveillance, digital rights and civil liberties, European data politics, evolution of technological innovation and regulatory challenges.
- You may have initial editorial experience, be it with a newspaper, an academic or professional journal, magazine, radio, TV, website, podcast, your own blog, or any other publication.
- You are a highly committed team player.
- You are proactive when it comes to things you care about.
- You can work independently with precision and purpose.
- You master the English and German language.

## What we offer

- Staff that encourages a culture of mutual learning and which embraces diversity and equality.
- A unique opportunity to become part of a small and highly motivated team working at the intersection of technology and politics.
- Insights into the methods and practices of an international think tank.
- Flexible working hours.
- Work from the mobile office.
- A salary of 1005,- €/month for a 16h-work week.
- A monthly mobile office allowance of 20,- €/month.
- A student employment contract which can be extended to a maximum of two years.
- Support from our Diversity Officer for issues relating to gender, diversity and equality.

## Application

We welcome applications from people regardless of age, ethnic origin and nationality, gender and gender identity, physical and mental ability, religion and belief, sexual orientation and social background. We also encourage people from ethnic minorities and other groups that are underrepresented in civil society organizations to apply.

The application process starts in July, and we will consider applications until August 31, 2025. Please apply with a short cover letter, a CV, and relevant certificates (without an application photo, combined in one PDF document), as well as your possible starting date and desired number of working hours per week at <https://www.interface-eu.org/jobs>. Interviews are scheduled for the second week of September.

If you have any questions, please contact Rosa Pelser-Strehlau at [personal@interface-eu.org](mailto:personal@interface-eu.org).

More information at <https://stellenticket.de/196546/TUB/>  
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