Freedom Not Fear
Brussels - 14, 15, 16 and 17
September 2012

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## International meeting of digital civil rights movement

## Second "Freedom not Fear" weekend in September in Brussels

Following on from last year's inaugural event, privacy activists from across Europe will once again meet for the <u>Brussels Freedom not Fear event from 14th-17th September 2012</u>. Freedom not Fear aims to bring campaign groups, NGOs and committed activists together under one message - to halt the surveillance "arms race" and allow the people of Europe to live in freedom, not fear. The four-day event will consist of a mixture of workshops, discussions and publicity stunts.

Participants are expected from several European Union countries, including UK, Poland, Spain, Austria, Netherlands, Germany and of course Belgium. The range of subjects <u>already scheduled</u> for discussion include concerns about the use of video surveillance, a European citizens' initiative against data retention, as well as a discussion of fundamental questions about how such a loose collective of civil movements could have any political influence.

The event will take place at the "Mundo B" conference centre in the heart of Brussels, and is open to anyone. Participation is free and no registration is needed. More information can be found at http://www.freedom-not-fear.eu, whilst http://www.freedomnotfear.org has information on other international actions. For more multilingual press information a wiki page has been created.

## **Freedom Not Fear introduction:**

http://wiki.vorratsdatenspeicherung.de/images/FNF12-Intro-en.pdf