



DRAFT AGENDA

HEARING ON THE FACEBOOK/CAMBRIDGE ANALYTICA CASE

Part 1: Use of Facebook users' data by Cambridge Analytica and impact on data protection

- Mapping the case -

Monday 4 June 2018, 17.30 - 20.00

Brussels

Room: József Antall (JAN) 4Q2

Background Information

On 12 April 2018, the Conference of Presidents of the European Parliament decided for the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE Committee) - with the association of the AFCO, JURI and ITRE Committees - to organise a hearing on the Facebook/Cambridge Analytica case.

On 22 May 2018, the Conference of Presidents, the Chair of the Conference of Committees Chairs, and the Chair and Rapporteur of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs met with Mark Zuckerberg, CEO and Founder of Facebook in order to have the explanation of Mr Zuckerberg about the use of Facebook users' data by Cambridge Analytica and the issues related to data protection, impact on electoral processes, fake news, the market position of Facebook and so forth.

As requested at this meeting, Mr Zuckerberg has replied in written to some of the questions unanswered during the meeting.¹

During the meeting of 22 May 2018, President Tajani indicated that, following the decision of the Conference of Presidents, the LIBE Committee would now conduct an investigation and would hold several hearings to have a clear and complete picture of these serious and worrying facts.

The LIBE Committee will conduct, in association with the AFCO, JURI and ITRE Committees, hearings in order to gather the views of different relevant persons and actors involved in the Facebook users' data by Cambridge Analytica. The goal would be to identify the impact of the misuse of these data on the fundamental rights of private life, protection of personal data, right to receive and impart fair information, the impact on electoral processes, the market position of Facebook etc.

On 24 May 2018, Coordinators of the political groups in the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) decided to focus the first part of the hearings on the background of the Facebook/Cambridge Analytica case as to pave the way to hold more sessions that would focus on the specific consequences and possible solutions for them.

¹ <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/the-president/en/newsroom/answers-from-facebook-to-questions-asked-during-mark-zuckerberg-meeting>

Order of business

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1. Chair's announcement

2. Speakers

- Carole CADWALLADR, senior journalist at The Guardian
- Christopher WYLIE, former employee at Cambridge Analytica (TBC)
- Sandy PARAKILAS, former operations manager at Facebook
- Elizabeth DENHAM, Information Commissioner at ICO (UK) (TBC)
- Professor David CARROLL, associate professor at Parsons School of Design in New York

3. Questions & Answers

4. Closing remarks

5. Next meetings:

Part 2 - possibly 25 June 2018 and Part 3 - possibly 2 July 2018 ¹

¹ Programme to be released soon.

PRACTICAL GUIDELINES FOR THE DEBATE

- During the discussion, so as to make it possible for the highest number of parliamentarians to intervene, speaking time of speakers will be limited to **ten minutes** and speaking time of other participants to **two minutes** per contribution or question.
- Speakers wishing to supplement their speeches may do so in writing by submitting a document (preferably in English or French) in advance to the secretariat (email: libe-secretariat@europarl.europa.eu). These documents will be circulated during the meeting.
- Meeting documents will be progressively added to the Events section of the LIBE Committee page: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/libe/events-nationalparl.html> and to the WebNP event webpage: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/relnatparl/en/meetings.html>

THE MEETING IS BROADCASTED LIVE AND RECORDED

LIBE Committee pages:

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/activities/committees/homeCom.do?language=EN&body=LIBE>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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