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**United Nations Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy
'Privacy: A Gender Perspective' Consultation
30 – 31 October 2019**

Lester Pollack Colloquium Room,
9th floor Furman Hall, Law School
245 Sullivan Street, New York University
New York, NY 10012

DAY 1: 30 October 2019

08:00 Registration

Coffee and tea upon arrival

08:45 Welcome Special Rapporteur on the Right to Privacy, Professor Joseph Cannataci

09:00 Session 1: Overview of the Consultation Event Chair SRP Taskforce 'Privacy and Personality / A Better Understanding of Privacy', Dr Elizabeth Coombs

This session will outline the major findings of the report, feedback received and relate these to the consultation sessions.

Audience discussion and questions.

09:45 Session 2: The Human Rights Context - How Does Gender Fit?

Chair: SRP Taskforce 'Privacy and Personality / A Better Understanding of Privacy', Dr Elizabeth Coombs

This session will consider the big picture of human rights as the context for privacy and gender, and various perspectives from around the world.

Audience discussion and questions.

11:00 – 11:30 COFFEE BREAK

11:30 Session 3: ‘Privacy and Gender - The Spectrum of Issues’

This session aims to draw out experiences of gender differentiated privacy which may not have been adequately addressed in the report including, for example, LGBTQI/ indigenous/ defence/youth perspectives; the effects upon freedom of expression; participation in community and civic life; image based abuse; violence; physical autonomy including reproductive rights; regulatory challenges.

Audience discussion and questions.

13:00-14:00 LUNCH

14:00 Session 4: ‘Privacy: A Democratic Essential’

The intent for this session is to address questions such as ‘Do gender differentiated experiences of privacy produce a gendered democracy? Has the protective and enabling value of the right to privacy been eroded by fake news, hate speech, misinformation and disinformation? What is the effect upon freedom of expression, society and democracy generally?’.

Audience discussion and questions.

15:00- 15:30 COFFEE

15:30 Session 5: ‘Everyone is Talking about AI’

This session is to address questions of artificial intelligence, the gender neutrality of data, and how this is manifested by algorithms in, for example, profiling, social support systems, various uses of biometric systems such as facial recognition.

16:30 Session 6: The Body: as Data, as Identity, as Money Maker

This session addresses a significant and contested area. Speakers will be addressing amongst other things, where physical autonomy fits within the right to privacy; the monetisation by and of gender through apps, and other digital technologies and the implications for privacy.

17:30 CLOSE DAY 1: Special Rapporteur on Right to Privacy, Professor Joseph Cannataci

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DAY 2: 31 October 2019

8:45: Welcome: Recap and Focus for second day, Special Rapporteur on Right to Privacy, Professor Joseph Cannataci

09:00 Session 7: 'I use Social Media, therefore I am'

In many countries, social media is the primary form of communication amongst people from all walks of life. The session will explore the importance, viewpoints and experiences of users and providers including its benefits for trans youth.

Audience discussion and questions.

10:30- 11:00 COFFEE

11:00 Session 8: 'Is there a Global North and Global South for Privacy and Gender?'

Aim: To consider commonalities and differences

Audience discussion and questions.

12:00 Session 9: Working Session – Critical Elements of Best Practice

Chair: Dr Elizabeth Coombs, Chair SRP Taskforce 'Privacy and Personality / A Better Understanding of Privacy'

This session is meant to bring together the feedback on the way forward. Starting points will be the preliminary recommendations and what participants see the standards, practices, and frameworks that are appropriate.

13:45 CLOSE OF CONSULTATION Professor Joseph Cannataci, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Privacy

14:00 LATE LUNCH