CPDP2019: Data Protection and Democracy

The overarching theme of the 2019 edition is "Data Protection and Democracy". The Cambridge Analytica exposé reminded the world once again that data protection is vitally important for the health of our democracies. It thus protects not only the individual but also the core values and the common good. the GDPR came into effect last May and is expected to change how companies and governments handle personal information. With growing user backlash after the recent privacy debacle, will the GDPR serve as a model for a new standard of data privacy around the world? Will the new data protection and privacy frameworks in Europe and elsewhere make a difference? Could they be effectively enforced? What is data protection beyond legislation? CPDP2019 will highlight data protection as a core element of a democratic society.