

## Chronology of events and the full list of documents received from the European Commission on the “EU Internet Forum”:

- 15 January 2014: The Commission announces the launch of the EU Internet Forum in a Communication: [http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/e-library/documents/policies/crisis-and-terrorism/radicalisation/docs/communication\\_on\\_preventing\\_radicalisation\\_and\\_violence\\_promoting\\_extremism\\_201301\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/e-library/documents/policies/crisis-and-terrorism/radicalisation/docs/communication_on_preventing_radicalisation_and_violence_promoting_extremism_201301_en.pdf) (page 8)
- October 2014: Ministerial dinner – (documents received on 2 October 2015 under access to document request [GestDem 2015/4066](#), see below) hosted by EU Commissioner Cecilia Malmström
- 2 March 2015: EU Council Presidency note on the “fight against terrorism” ([pdf](#)) which charged the Commission with the creation of a “Forum with the Internet service providers community”
- 20 April 2015, EDRi sends an access to document request ([GestDem 2015/2271](#)) on the creation of this Forum: [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service)
- 7 May 2015: A preparatory meeting for the formal launch of the EU Internet Forum takes place.
- 11 May 2015: EU Commission response stating that the documents we asked for do not exist ([pdf http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/6868/attach/2/GestDem%202015%202271%20Ares%202015%201987059.pdf](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/6868/attach/2/GestDem%202015%202271%20Ares%202015%201987059.pdf)) - although it later granted partial access to documents related the 2014 Ministerial dinner under [GestDem 2015/4066](#).
- 29 May 2015: EDRi sends a confirmatory application for [GestDem 2015/2271](#) to ask to verify if the documents really don't exist – arguing that the Commission Communication “Preventing Radicalisation to terrorism and Violent Extremism” (COM(2013)941) already mentioned the plan to “set up a forum with key players in the industry” in January 2014. [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service#outgoing-4224](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service#outgoing-4224)
- 19 June 2015: EU Commission extends the deadline for our request from 19 June to 20 July, [GestDem 2015/2271](#), pdf <http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/7133/attach/4/FIEDLER%202015%202271.pdf>)
- 19 June 2015: EDRi asks the EU Commission for the “detailed reasons” for this delay on [GestDem 2015/2271](#), according to Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001: [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service#outgoing-4312](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service#outgoing-4312)

- 19 June 2015: EU Commission describes the internal consultation process without giving the detailed reasons requested.  
[http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service#incoming-7137](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service#incoming-7137)
- 10 July 2015: EU Commission response stating their inability to respond within the extended legal deadline (**GestDem 2015/2271**, pdf)  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/7314/attach/4/FIEDLER%202015%202271%202nd%20holding%20letter.pdf>
- 14 July 2015: EU Commission responds with an explanation of their decision to register a new initial request ex officio under **GestDem 2015/3658** as there was a first meeting with the stakeholders in preparation of the formal launch of the Forum while our access-to-documents application was pending (pdf)  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/7339/attach/4/Fiedler%20Kirsten%202015%202271%20decicion.pdf>
- 31 July 2015: EU Commission responds to the new request and grants us (partial) access to some documents and no access at all to two documents identified (**GestDem 2015/3658**, pdf) <http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/7492/attach/8/Reply%20Ms%20Fiedler%20GestDem%202015%203658.PDF.pdf>

Documents received under **GestDem 2015/3658**:

1. The draft agenda for a preparatory meeting on 7 May 2015:  
[https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs\\_meeting\\_20150507.pdf](https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs_meeting_20150507.pdf)
2. The invitation for the first awareness raising session for the Internet industry and EU Member States on 24 July (partial access):  
[https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs\\_Invitation\\_awareness\\_raising\\_20150724.pdf](https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs_Invitation_awareness_raising_20150724.pdf)
3. The draft agenda 24 July:  
[https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs\\_Agenda\\_awareness\\_raising\\_20150724.pdf](https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs_Agenda_awareness_raising_20150724.pdf)
4. The report of the preparatory meeting on 7 May 2015:  
[https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs\\_report\\_meeting\\_20150507.pdf](https://edri.org/files/ForumISPs_report_meeting_20150507.pdf)

Documents that the Commission did not disclose:

5. Note of 10 June 2015 addressed to the Commissioner asking for endorsement and further guidance
  6. Concept note in view of the preparation of the high level event for the launch of the IT Forum at the end of the year
- *24 July 2015: The second preparatory meeting before the official launch of the EU Internet Forum takes place.*
  - 3 August 2015: EDRi sends an access to document request on the meeting that took place

on 24 July 2015, to ask for the participants list and minutes ([GestDem 2015/4066](#)).

- 7 August 2015: EDRi sends a confirmatory application to the Commission to request the full disclosure of the following documents ([GestDem 2015/3658](#)): the note of 10 June and the concept note and the redacted parts of the documents received.  
[http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service#outgoing-4576](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service#outgoing-4576)
- 21 August 2015: EU Commission extends the deadline for our request GestDem 2015/4066 to 14 September 2015  
[http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/participants\\_in\\_the\\_eu\\_internet#incoming-7676](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/participants_in_the_eu_internet#incoming-7676)
- 1 September 2015: The EU Commission announces a delay and a new deadline expiring on 25 September 2015 ([GestDem 2015/3658](#), pdf  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/7734/attach/4/FIEDLER%202015%203658%20first%20holding%20letter%20EN.pdf>)
- 25 September 2015: EU Commission explains that the legal deadline to request [GestDem 2015/3658](#) on 25 September for responding cannot be met (pdf  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/7941/attach/4/FIEDLER%202015%203658%20HR2.pdf>)
- 28 September 2015: EDRi sends a request to clarify why the deadline cannot be met  
[http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service#outgoing-4819](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service#outgoing-4819)
- 2 October 2015: EU Commission response ([GestDem 2015/4066](#), pdf  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8009/attach/4/Letter%20to%20Ms%20Fiedler%20EU%20Digital%20Rights.PDF.pdf>).

Documents received under [GestDem 2015/4066](#):

1. A list of participants in the meeting of the EU Internet Forum on 24 July 2015 (partial access) <http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8009/attach/8/Document%201.PDF.pdf>
  2. The minutes of the meeting on 24 July 2015 (full access)  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8009/attach/7/Document%202.PDF.pdf>
  3. Minutes of the preparatory meetings organised in 2014 as mentioned by the European Agency on Security (partial access)  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8009/attach/6/Document%204.PDF.pdf>
  4. The list of participants in the 2014 meeting (partial access)  
<http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8009/attach/5/Document%205.PDF.pdf>
- 20 October 2015: EDRi sends a message to the EU Commission to point out that a response to [GestDem 2015/3658](#) is long overdue (since 25 September 2015)  
[http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum\\_with\\_the\\_internet\\_service#outgoing-4935](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/forum_with_the_internet_service#outgoing-4935)

- 3 November 2015: EU Commission responds with 27 working days delay to **GestDem 2015/3658** and grants partial access to documents previously (see 31 July) not disclosed:
  1. Note of 10 June 2015 addressed to the Commissioner asking for endorsement and further guidance <http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8255/attach/5/Document%201%20Jour%20Fixe%20EU%20Internet%20Forum%20Redacted.pdf>
  2. Concept note in view of the preparation of the high level event for the launch of the IT Forum at the end of the year <http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/1929/response/8255/attach/6/Document%202%20Launch%20of%20Internet%20Forum%20Redacted.pdf>
- 3 December 2015: *The EU Internet Forum is officially launched* [http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\\_IP-15-6243\\_da.htm](http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-15-6243_da.htm)
- 7 December 2015: EDRi makes an access to documents request to request access to documents in relation to the formal launch: the participants, costs involved, minutes of the meeting (**GestDem 2015/6363**). [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu\\_internet\\_forum\\_launch#outgoing-5124](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu_internet_forum_launch#outgoing-5124)
- 7 December 2015: EU Commission extends the deadline for our request G **GestDem 2015/6363** to 6 January 2016. [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu\\_internet\\_forum\\_launch#incoming-8480](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu_internet_forum_launch#incoming-8480)
- 21 December 2015: EU Commission announces a delay and a new deadline expiring on 27.01.2016. [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu\\_internet\\_forum\\_launch#incoming-8573](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu_internet_forum_launch#incoming-8573)
- 8 January 2016: EDRi makes an access to document request to ask for documents (memorandum of understanding etc.) agreed at the formal launch of the Internet Forum on 3 December (**GestDem 2016/0095**) [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/agreed\\_documents\\_at\\_the\\_eu\\_inter#outgoing-5229](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/agreed_documents_at_the_eu_inter#outgoing-5229)
- 27 January 2016: EU Commission explains that it will join our two latest requests and respond within the deadline set for the request made in January **GestDem 2016/0095**) [http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu\\_internet\\_forum\\_launch#incoming-8766](http://www.asktheeu.org/en/request/eu_internet_forum_launch#incoming-8766)
- 19 February 2016: EU Commission responds to **GestDem 2015/6363** and **GestDem 2016/0095**.

Documents received:

1. "Implementing the European Agenda on Security: The EU Internet Forum, a background paper issued at the meeting" <https://edri.org/files/20151203-Background-paper-EU-Internet-Forum.pdf>
2. EU Commissioner opening speech: <https://edri.org/files/20151203-Closing-speech-EU-Internet-Forum.pdf>



3. Minutes of the meeting: <https://edri.org/files/20151203-EU-Internet-Forum-launch-summary.pdf>
4. EU Commissioner opening speech: <https://edri.org/files/20151203-Opening-speech-EU-Internet-Forum.pdf>
5. Participants list: <https://edri.org/files/20151203-Participants-EU-Internet-Forum.pdf>

Documents not disclosed by the EU Commission:

6. Annotated agenda
7. Set of objectives and actions to steer discussions based on comments from the different stakeholders
8. Explanation of the proposed position on the proposed objectives and actions