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Mapping the Taiwanese g0v Movement: A Canadian Civic Tech Perspective

Speaker: Mr. Patrick Connolly,
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for Democracy;
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Date: Friday, December 14, 2018

Time: 10:00 – 11:30

Venue: Conference Room 202, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy
No. 4, Alley 17, Lane 147, Sec. 3, Sinyi Road, Taipei

Moderator: Dr. Allen Peng, Director, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy

Discussant: Ms. Hsiao-wei Chiu (瞿筱葳), g0v Community

Agenda:

10:00 – 10:05 Opening remarks by Dr. Allen Peng

10:05 – 10:50 Presentation by Mr. Patrick Connolly

10:50 – 11:00 Comments by Ms. Hsiao-wei Chiu

11:00 – 11:30 Open discussion

※ Please note that this event will be conducted in English.

g0v is a grassroots community that supports values of transparency, open gov, and participatory culture. It came to prominence among the Taiwanese political crisis of 2014's Sunflower Movement, in which they supported the three-week student occupation of parliament. In this paper, I will attempt to present what I understand to be the animating forces of the g0v community. This will be done through several different lenses of third-party research, including 1) Benkler's commons-based peer production framework for understanding open source production, 2) Pentland's "social physics", the mathematics-based study of the shapes of real-world social networks, and 3) Ariel's proposed group decision-making framework for consensus, which I will call "high confidence gray". I will then compare and contrast this community with my own, a sister community called Civic Tech Toronto. Finally, in light of the above theoretical frameworks, I will make some explorations of how the g0v community might choose to offer its hard-earned wisdom to others on the international stage.

—by Mr. Patrick Connolly

Speaker Biography

Patrick Connolly is a community organizer, a coder, a failed biochemist, and an anarchist sympathizer. He is interested in participatory culture, the changing nature of work, and how we can build communities, organizations and economies that are more open, inclusive, and resilient. He co-organizes with Civic Tech Toronto, a vibrant and diverse bunch of civic participants. They gather at weekly “civic hacknights for everyone” to eat, learn, have fun, and chip away at civic challenges, in service to local communities.

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