

Data Logistics for Logistics Data

ICT-Open track proposal

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Policies do not concern only AI artefacts, but also data management and data governance, as well as interfaces (as points of interventions), that should guarantee usability and controllability to the relevant stakeholders.

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- **social practice toolbox**: visualization and control interfaces providing actionable intervention points; case studies of applications empowering users.

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A simpler one: **Digital Sovereignty?**



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