Budapest ePSI Platform Workshop is around the corner

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As we announced recently, the ePSI Platform Workshop will gather together international Open Data and PSI experts to discuss some hot topics, in particular analysing the opportunities, challenges and needs of Hungary. There are some tickets left, so we invite all of the Hungarian Open Data community to register and take part in this workshop, which is being held in the MTA SZTAKI's premises on 2nd October.

When analysing the current Open Data situation in Hungary, we can see there are many aspects that need to be improved. With a score of just 230 points in the ePSI Scoreboard, **government, industry and civil society still have a long road for the coming years**. In this event, we will help them to **propose and bring ideas to life**. We see this workshop as a good opportunity for all the European, and especially for the Hungarian community to adopt the best practices, and learn from other's experiences.

The agenda is full of relevant experts. In representation of the European Commission, **Márta Nagy-Rothengass** (Head of the Unit "Data Value Chain"), and **Szymon Lewandowski** (Policy officer at the "Data Value Chain" Unit) will show the commitment of the Commission to Open Data promotion and adoption. Many other international experts in standards, economy, policies, and transparency will accompany us: **Phil Archer** (W3C Staff and Member of our Advisory Board), **Emilio García** (Technical Advisor for the Spanish Government), **Michal Kuban** (ePSI Platform representative in Czech Republic), **László Kovács** (Head of the W3C Hungarian Office), **Gabriella Ivacs** (Central European University), **Zoltán Csaba Tóth** (Data Services Lead at Prezi), **Sandor Lederer** (CEO at K-Monitor), **Miklós Koren** (Central European University), **Zoltan Varju** (Precognox Hungary). Furthermore, the Croatian **Zdenka Zubcic** (Tenderii doo) will present the status and challenges of the newest Member State, Croatia, in the PSI re-use field.

Apart from the keynotes and panels, **Nikolaos Loutas** (Manager at PwC Technology Consulting practice) will give an **interesting and useful tutorial on how to reuse (Linked) Open Data**.

Talks and panels will enable discussions among speakers and attendees. After the formal event we will continue with conversations, while having some drinks. So prepare your arguments, questions and business cards.

If you are planning to be in Budapest on 2nd October, don't miss this opportunity. See you soon in Budapest!