

Good evening ladies and gentlemen. It is June 7<sup>th</sup> 2022, and this is the 7at7 series broadcasting from L200 in the center of Zurich, here; and from pEp foundation's BigBlueButton server, online, here.

Every 7th of the month at 7pm, we offer an experimental news program about the digital world, and a special topic on digital empowerment.

“We” is a coalition of organizations, like the ISOC Switzerland Chapter, the pEp foundation, NetHood, CIRCE, Digitale Gesellschaft, CCC Switzerland, SGMK, and more.

The big news from last month was the Twitter buyout by Elon Musk. The question of whether it will work is still relevant, but shall we care so much? Perhaps not.

Our focus is more on positive alternatives to the big Internet platforms whose domination is the big issue and who exactly is managing this domination.

And luckily there is a lot going on.

New publications like the “branch” magazine, numerous events like the Disruption Network Lab's “Transitioning”

conference and Weizenbaum conference on “Practicing Sovereignty”, both in Berlin. But also the international rightscon conference with special focus as always on community networks. Or the X-net’s conference in Barcelona on education and democracy.

In Switzerland also, the Digitale Gesellschaft is advancing with its very interesting podcast series. The Netz Podcast!

More and more people realize that there is an urgent need for digital rights and alternative technologies. And more and more organizations are offering interesting jobs that can contribute to a positive change!

So, time for a job change?

Being a “digital forensic fellow” sounds cool! Why not?

Or work in a software community like the PeerTube which announced its new version. This is where we host all 7at7 recordings! It works!

And NextCloud keeps growing, reaching the mainstream. It is the new choice of the Geneva municipality. Coming soon also in a city near you!

Or in a small place like L200, where you can install a small server hosting all those great alternatives.

Today we will talk about pads, Etherpad, Cryptpad, and more. Padology as our friends of CIRCE call this ecosystem of alternatives to google docs and other mainstream platforms.

Karlo? Martino? What is padology?