

My data is mine Award 2024

Fifth edition

Call for Papers

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«Towards an innovative data ecosystem in the Age of Artificial Intelligence»

My data is mine Award is aimed at supporting young scholars with an innovative approach to data protection issues and who can offer a visionary contribution to data exploitation in Europe and worldwide.

The fifth edition, which will take place in Lisbon during the 2024 Web Summit, aims to stimulate academic research on the sustainable development of Artificial Intelligence (AI) from a data protection perspective.

We welcome 5000-8000 words papers from young scholars - up to age of 35 years old, addressing various aspects of data environmentalism within the context of AI, including (but not limited to):

- 1. Publicly Available Data - in search of a legal basis for usage:** the proliferation of publicly available data on the internet has fueled innovation in AI research and applications. However, the legal landscape on the usage of that publicly available data demands further clarification. We seek submissions examining the legal, ethical, and societal implications of using publicly available data for training AI systems, along with proposals for establishing a robust legal framework to facilitate responsible data access and usage, a balance of rights and a risk-based approach.
- 2. Synthetic Data and the Future of AI:** as AI systems increasingly rely on vast amounts of data for training, the generation of synthetic data has emerged as a promising solution to mitigate privacy concerns, reduce data collection, and promote sustainability. We welcome submissions exploring the advancements, challenges, and implications of synthetic data in the development and deployment of AI technologies.
- 3. Less is More - how to have a more sustainable approach toward the development of Generative AI:** Generative AI has revolutionized various fields, including art, music, and text generation. However, the data demands associated with training large-scale generative models raise significant concerns. Papers discussing strategies for optimizing data consumption, enhancing efficiency, and promoting data sustainability in generative AI research are encouraged.
- 4. Other Related Topics:** Additionally, we welcome submissions addressing other pertinent topics such as:
 - Ethical considerations in data collection, processing, and usage within AI applications;

- Strategies for reducing bias and promoting fairness in AI algorithms and decision-making processes;
- Privacy-enhancing technologies applied to Generative AI;
- Potential Harms and Mitigation Measures at the application level of AI systems;
- Policy recommendations for fostering sustainability and ethical practices in the development and deployment of AI technologies.

Evaluation criteria will include:

- Relevance and originality of the work;
- Significance and impact of the research;
- Quality and clarity of the presentation;
- Potential for practical applications.

The deadline for submissions is September 30, 2024. The award ceremony will be held in November 2024 at Websummit in Lisbon. We invite researchers, practitioners, and students from academia and industry to submit their work and contribute to advancing the field of AI and data protection.

By submitting your paper, you grant to Consumer Empowerment Project (CEP) and its partners a worldwide, unrestricted, sub-licensable, assignable, irrevocable, non-exclusive, royalty-free right and license to use your paper in connection with My Data is Mine Award and any other initiative carried out by CEP and its partners, alone or with third parties. This license includes without limitation the right to (i) reproduce, create derivative works of, and otherwise use your paper, in whole or in part, in any manner or in combination with any other material (the “Works”); and (ii) publicly display, publicly perform, distribute (directly or indirectly), transmit, or broadcast, communicate to the public the Works, by wire or wireless means, including the making available to the public in such a way that members of the public may access them from a place and at a time individually chosen by them. By submitting your paper, you represent and warrant that (i) it doesn’t infringe any third-party rights; (ii) it is not defamatory; (iii) you have full power and authority to grant the rights and licenses relating to your paper.

The winner will be awarded with a prize of 1.000 euros and will have the chance to present their paper during the ceremony which will be held in Lisbon (travel and accommodation costs will be offered by CEP).

Please note that submitted contributions may be published by their respective authors, following the announcement of the winner, in other journals or may serve as subjects for future publications. In any case, received papers may be invited to be part of the book to be published in 2025 by the Consumer Empowerment Project with a renowned publisher.

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- **Deadline for the papers:** September 30, 2024
- **Date of the Award Ceremony:** November 13th 2024
- **Venue:** Portugal, Lisbon - Web Summit, Altice Arena & Fil
- **Submission:** Papers can be sent from the MDIM page: <https://cep-project.org/my-data-is-mine-2024/>



Christina Varytimidou
2023 edition Winner



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