

Confidentiality and Privacy

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I take a Deliberately Neutral Position
between

1. Data Users
2. Data Suppliers

Confidentiality and Privacy **should not** be viewed as:

- Obstacles to be overcome
- Something which is bureaucratically regulated
 - These attitudes infantilise data users

- Grid Computing and in particular distributed and linked data highlights the remorseless move towards information transparency of the individual
 - Do we want this?
 - The risk is a society of public lives and private policies; George Duncan
 - Should culture lead the technology or we happy with our culture being technology lead?

Two conundrums...

- **Social good vs individual bad**
 - We need to acknowledge the long term political/ideological context to this payoff
 - The importance of engagement with respondents/data subjects (as stake holders)
 - De-objectivication
- **Data Utility vs Confidentiality risk**