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# RightsCon Silicon Valley

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**Stamp your calendars: 2016 marks the fifth installment of the RightsCon Summit Series.**

**RightsCon is the world's leading conference convened on the future of the internet.** It brings together visionaries, investors, engineers, activists, lawyers, technologists, business leaders, and government representatives from around the world to build strategies, highlight emerging voices, and showcase new technologies and initiatives in the pursuit of tomorrow's internet.

But RightsCon is much more than a conference — **it's the rise of a community of the world's leading actors and thinkers dedicated to the future of the internet.**

2016 will see a bigger, brighter, and better RightsCon, more dynamic and outcome-oriented than ever before. While programmatic development is ongoing, planned elements will tackle topical and current issues in the digital sector such as encryption and cybersecurity, intermediary liability and data center location, transparency reporting and best practices on user trust, the growing internet of things, emerging global markets, complex compliance and regulatory environments, and more:

- ▶ **Satellite events like Crypto Summit 2.0**, the second event in a series hosted by Access on encryption and the future of cybersecurity;
- ▶ **Demo Room and Lightning Talks** to showcase the latest technologies, tools, and initiatives from Silicon Valley and beyond;
- ▶ **Private roundtables** and closed-door meetings enabling business representatives to speak directly with users and engage with other business and government representatives in private, bilateral meetings.

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# SPOTLIGHT



1. Brett Solomon, Executive Director, Access
2. Hashtags, Memes, and More: Creative Communication Strategies for Advocacy
3. Postcards from around the world: Censorship, Controls, Surveillance, and the Rising Tide of Opportunity
4. Kilnam Chon, EO Networking, Inc, Internet Hall of Fame Global Connector
5. RightsCon Silicon Valley 2014
6. Brad Burnham, Managing Partner, Union Square Ventures





**RIGHTSCON  
BY THE NUMBERS**

**2015 Manila**

**660**

Attendees

**56**

Countries

**100+**

Sessions

**2014 Silicon Valley**

**723**

Attendees

**65**

Countries

**120**

Sessions

Access held the first RightsCon in Silicon Valley in 2011 and the second, regionally-focused conference in Rio de Janeiro in 2012. Both sold out with hundreds of leaders from around the world in attendance.

In 2014, RightsCon returned to Silicon Valley to discuss the many ramifications of the Snowden revelations. The result was a stellar program featuring 120 distinct sessions and almost 300 individual speakers; in attendance were 723 attendees from over 65 countries and 365 institutions.

In 2015, RightsCon moved to Manila to highlight the remarkable work being done in Southeast Asia. 660 attendees from 56 countries attended to debate, strategize, and implement outcomes through the 100+ sessions representing 35 institutions and 250 speakers over the two day period.



**2016 Silicon Valley (Projected)**

**1,000**

Attendees

**75**

Countries

**150**

Sessions



## COMMITTEES AND SPEAKERS

RightsCon has consistently delivered action-packed agendas on the latest issues facing the tech and human rights sectors through the help of all-star programming and advisory committees and speakers. These individuals include some of the best and brightest in the digital community. Below are just a few of names of those who have previously participated at RightsCon:

**Mitchell Baker** (Executive Chair, Mozilla)

**Dan Bross** (Senior Director of Corporate Citizenship, Microsoft)

**Nicole Karlebach** (Senior Legal Counsel, Business and Human Rights, Yahoo! Inc)

**Del Harvey** (Senior Director of Trust & Safety, Twitter)

**Cathleen Berger** (International Cyber Policy Coordination Staff, German Foreign Office)

**Matt Perault** (Public Policy Manager, Facebook)

**Karen Reilly** (Development Director, The Tor Project)

**Derek Slater** (Global Public Policy Manager, Google)

**Larry Stone** (President, Group Public and Government Affairs, British Telecom (BT))

**Randal S. Milch** (Executive Vice President, Verizon Communications)

**Matthew Prince** (Co-founder & CEO, CloudFlare)

**Christina DiPasquale** (Associate Vice President, Media Relations, FitzGibbon Media)

**Prasanth Sugathan** (Counsel, Software Freedom Law Center)

## PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

At RightsCon, sponsors and speakers will be given the opportunity to lead or identify sessions on the most pressing issues facing the tech sector. Below are a few highlights from sessions over the years:

▶ **Protecting User Rights: Practical Issues Facing Early Stage Companies** (2014)

▶ **Fix-it Felix: Best Practices for Remediating Violations Against Users** (2015)

▶ **Competition, Consumers, and Trolls: Why You Should Care About Patents** (2014)

▶ **Metadata for Good? Control, Empowerment, and Innovation** (2014)

▶ **Decentralizing the Web: Building and Supporting the Tech We Want** (2014)

▶ **Leverage: How Business Can Change the Paradigm for Protecting Human Rights** (2014)

▶ **The Internet's Monster Under the Bed: The So-Called "Right to Be Forgotten"** (2015)

▶ **Cease and Resist: Pushing Back Against Government Demands** (2015)

▶ **Understanding Users and Their Needs: A Need-finding Framework for Internet Freedom** (2015)

▶ **Strength in Numbers: Transparency Reporting & the Search for Meaning** (2015)

▶ **Support for Tech and Human Rights: What's Next?** (2015)



## REASONS FOR SPONSORSHIP

Why do we invite organizations to support and sponsor RightsCon? Because RightsCon offers the perfect opportunity to generate exposure and goodwill, raise your profile, and connect with frontline users and activists:

### Find your peers

RightsCon gathers the leading actors and thinkers across stakeholder and geographic lines. Representatives from the tech sector, civil society, governments, foundations, philanthropies, and more will be there to talk shop, swap ideas, debate issues, and build lasting partnerships. Don't miss the perfect opportunity to connect.

### Highlight emerging voices

Discourse on technology and human rights is often dominated or otherwise influenced by major players and established institutions. RightsCon seeks to level the playing field by highlighting emerging voices and providing space for upcoming groups from the Global South. Support RightsCon to help keep the playing field level for new and old players alike.

### Hear from your partners

Today's digital world means an action or decision in one city can lead to a global ripple effect. Hear how policies and practices are changing lives for better (or for worse), straight from your partners.

### Advance the conversation

RightsCon is an event for trailblazers and torchbearers, and is the perfect place to speak out, and influence discussions on the latest issues in the tech and human rights sectors. Listen in on the cutting edge of the conversation or help drive the conversation forward yourself.

### Attend to the social event(s) of the year

Support RightsCon and get complimentary tickets to the digital community's leading conference of the year, plus access to side sessions, private gatherings, after-parties, luncheons and other social events, and more - plus reduced pricing for tickets for your partners.

### Create your own space

Have an idea for a session you'd like to host? Want to brand and decorate a conference room? Think it would be great to throw your own after-party? Support RightsCon and create your own space in the sector's leading event of the year.

### Learn from the best

Need counsel on how to best expand your organization on a global scale? Want to keep prying eyes and hands away from your partners' private data? At RightsCon, with leading experts and activists at your disposal, you may well find the answer to the questions on your mind and challenges you are facing.

### Cash in on some serious swag

Love tote bags? Can't get enough of free USB sticks and pens? Want to throw in some of your own swag to pass out to hundreds of attendees? Lend your support to RightsCon, and see all that happen and - if you choose - up your support to see your logo prominently placed on posters, banners, social media, programs, and more.

### Take center stage

While there's no connection between sponsoring RightsCon and speaking at RightsCon, the level of expertise and insight many of the sector's organizations can offer means that there are ample opportunities to take center stage and speak to an issue of interest.



## SPONSORSHIP TIERS

### PRESENTING SPONSOR — \$250,000 +

- ▶ **Bright lights:** Join the Executive Director on stage during the Opening and Closing Ceremonies to receive recognition of your generous support of RightsCon.
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- ▶ **Old media is still media:** Like a more traditional approach? Your support will also mean acknowledgement in all RightsCon related press releases.
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- ▶ **Spotlight your issue:** Sponsor and/or lead one or more sessions, workshops, fireside chats, or private roundtables on an issue of interest to you and your company.
- ▶ **Free your inner exhibitionist:** Set up an exhibition booth during the conference or one of its many social and satellite events to launch a new initiative, talk with your partners, or demonstrate a new product, project, or digital tool.
- ▶ **A curated experience:** Interested in meeting with specific representatives? Have a question you need answered? As our Presenting Sponsor, you can rest easy knowing that we will work hard to make your experience as fruitful as possible.
- ▶ **Be the belle of the ball:** Cinderella had to be home by midnight, but you don't. Enjoy complimentary access to private roundtables, cocktail hours, and afterparties.
- ▶ **Throw the party of the year:** Even better - have your name attached to the digital community's biggest party of the year. Gatsby won't have anything on you.
- ▶ **Discounted pricing:** Receive ten (10) complimentary tickets to share with your team as well as five (5) additional complimentary tickets and discounted pricing to share with your partners and customers.

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- ▶ **Shoutout:** Receive acknowledgement of your generous support from the Executive Director during the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and all other opportunities.
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- ▶ **Branding, branding, branding:** See your company's logo on official banners and signage, or bring your own branded banners and signage to display.
- ▶ **Spotlight your issue:** Sponsor and/or lead a session, workshop, fireside chat, or private roundtables on an issue of interest to you and your company.
- ▶ **Be the belle of the ball:** Cinderella had to be home by midnight, but you don't. Enjoy complimentary access to all private roundtables, cocktail hours, and afterparties.
- ▶ **Throw the party of the year:** Have big ideas for a party of your own? Let us know what you're planning and we can make your event an official satellite social event.
- ▶ **Discounted pricing:** Receive six (6) complimentary tickets to share with your team as well as two (2) additional complimentary tickets and discounted pricing to share with your partners and customers.



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- ▶ **Support your favorite cause:** Sponsor and/or lead a session, workshop, fireside chat, or private roundtables on an issue of interest to you and your company.
- ▶ **Be the belle of the ball:** Cinderella had to be home by midnight, but you don't. Enjoy complimentary access to all private roundtables, cocktail hours, and afterparties.
- ▶ **Discounted pricing:** Receive four (4) complimentary tickets to share with your team as well as two (2) additional complimentary tickets and discounted pricing to share with your partners and customers.

### HUB SPONSOR — \$25,000 +

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- ▶ **Branding, branding:** See your logo incorporated on official banners and signage.
- ▶ **Be the belle of the ball:** Cinderella had to be home by midnight, but you don't. Enjoy complimentary access to all private roundtables, cocktail hours, and afterparties.
- ▶ **Discounted pricing:** Receive two (2) complimentary tickets to share with your team as well as discounted pricing to share with your partners and customers.

### FRIENDS OF RIGHTSCON — \$10,000 +

- ▶ **Branding:** See your logo incorporated on the official program and website with other Friends of RightsCon.
- ▶ **Be the belle of the ball:** Cinderella had to be home by midnight, but you don't. Enjoy complimentary access to all private roundtables, cocktail hours, and afterparties.
- ▶ **Discounted pricing:** Receive two (2) complimentary tickets to share with your team as well as one (1) complimentary ticket to share with your partners and customers.

### PERSONALIZE YOUR SPONSORSHIP

- ▶ **Think outside the box:** Sponsor a tamale cart (or two) to keep people well-fed, a meditation/massage room for relaxation, a climbing wall to get the blood pumping, a foosball table for some old-fashioned fun, and more - don't be afraid to be creative!

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**Access defends and extends the digital rights of users at risk around the world. By combining innovative policy, user engagement, and direct technical support, we fight for open and secure communications for all.**

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