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BIG DATA: THE CHALLENGE TO PRIVACY AND INFORMED CONSENT

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'Big Data' is big news. With recent developments and reports to regulators and president in the EU and US, the implications of 2012's tech flavour of the month, Big Data, are finally starting to generate serious inquiry -- and no longer just because of its central role in the warrantless, suspicionless communications mass surveillance programs revealed in 2013. This talk, aimed at both technologists and lawyers, examines key features of Big Data tools, discuss recent opinions and reports from US and Europe, recap fundamental principles of personal information security and privacy protection, illustrate the conflict between these and the current position and rhetoric of the Big Data industry, and explore implications for "informed consent" as a basis for protecting personal information security and privacy.

Following David's talk, there will be commentary from Dr **Lyria Bennett Moses** (Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law) and **Holly Raiche** (ACCAN, ISOC-AU).

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Speakers Bio

David Vaile is co-convenor, Cyberspace Law and Policy Community at UNSW Law. He was formerly executive director of its Centre incarnation from 2002, supporting ARC research projects Unlocking IP and Interpreting Privacy Principles. He contributes to law reform, responds to media inquiries, presents at conferences and fora, runs intern programs, and teaches Cyberspace Law, Organisational Risk Management and Advanced Legal Research. His background is in law, IT and communications. His research interests include privacy and data protection, personal safety online, content regulation, cyber-security and IT risk management, online jurisdiction, copyright and digital IP, e-health records and user-centred design. He is a former member of Information Security World Advisory Board, former chair of a network of community legal services, member of the Internet Society of Australia policy committee, and board member of the Australian Privacy Foundation. Recent publications focus on the Cloud and data sovereignty, Internet filtering, and Big Data and privacy.