

CV Professor Jeanette Hofmann

Professor Jeanette Hofmann has a background in political science and teaches at the Institute for Media and Communication Studies of the Freie Universität Berlin. She heads the research group “Politics of Digitalisation” at the Berlin Social Science Center (WZB) and is managing co-director of the Alexander von Humboldt Institute for Internet and Society, founded in 2012, and principal investigator at the Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society, founded 2017.

Prof Hofmann’s current research focuses on the relationship of digitalisation and democracy, the social shaping of digital technologies and the regulation of digital platforms. Her network of research groups studies the evolution of the digital society, the politics of digitalization, the digital transformation of democracy and the logics of algorithmic systems.

In addition to her academic duties, Prof Hofmann has served in various advisory capacities. She chaired an academic expert commissions on digitalisation and democracy (Leopoldina, National Academy of the Sciences) and an academic commission on 'Young Engagement in the Digital Age' (German Government), and she was a member of the expert group to the EU Observatory on the Online Platform Economy. Prior to her engagement on the national level, she contributed in various capacities to the transnational field of internet governance, among them to Internet Governance Forum as a member of the multi-stakeholder advisory committee of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) and as a vice-chair of the Net Mundial Conference.