draft-guerra-feminism-02

Feminism and protocols

Abstract

This document aims to describe how internet standards, protocols and their implementations may impact diverse groups and communities. The research on how some protocols can be enablers for specific human rights while possibly restricting others has been documented in {{RFC8280}}. Similar to how RFC 8280 has taken a human rights lens through which to view engineering and design choices by internet standardisation, this document addresses the opportunities and vulnerabilities embedded within internet protocols for specific, traditionally marginalized groups.

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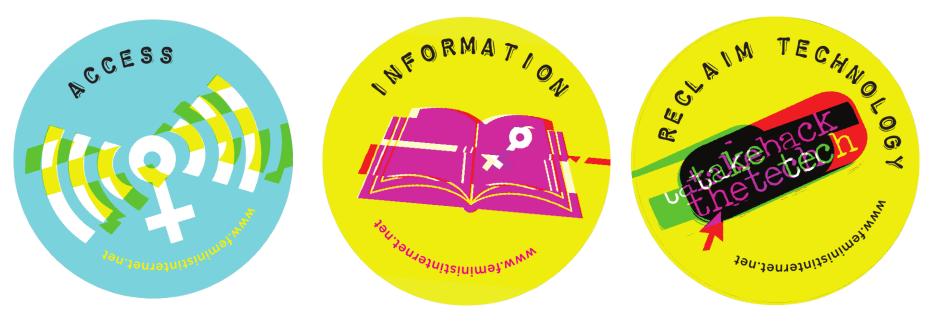
The Feminist Principles of the Internet

provide a framework
for women's movements
to articulate and explore issues
related to technology.

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In the first version we were trying to cover two different problems:

In the user level

Describe some internet threats considering gender and other social locations where people can experience both oppression and privilege

Identify how those threats can be related to internet protocols

Inside the IETF

Identify some manifestations of gender discrimination in IETF archive, by analyzing terminology and contexts of RFCs and I-Ds.

Point out how mentality (in this case, about gender roles) is embedded in protocols designing

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In version 01 we chose to address the first problem, as follows:

RFC 8280 focuses on how some protocols can enable or restrict specific human rights, assuming that those fundamental rights are held by all people equally.

Based on the Feminist Principles of the Internet, this draft recognizes how different social locations may determine people's capacities to exercise their rights through the internet.

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Futurotopias Feministas

271 photos in 4 sub-albums

Feminist Science Fiction

101 photos, 22 photos in 1 sub-album

Feminist Activism

98 photos, 97 photos in 2 sub-albums

Women and techniques-techno...

151 photos

Next steps

1. Reformat draft to reflect current structure
2. Develop research question: How can intersectional feminism guide the development of internet standards, protocols and their implementations?
3. Perform desk research in service of the research question.
   a. Focus on storytelling
   b. Create a repository of media and textual projects
   c. Invited talks, workshops, interim meetings.
4. Pause…

Requests

- Interested researchers and authors should get in touch: draft-guerra-feminism.all@ietf.org
- Should the working group adopt this draft?