Opening Government Data and Creating Public Value

Dear Colleagues,

Please join FASTER, and the Big Data SSG for an informative discussion with Dr. Theresa Pardo who will share her perspectives on opening government data and creating public value. Dr. Pardo serves as Director of the Center for Technology in Government at the University at Albany, State University of New York, where she also holds research professor appointments in Public Administration and Policy and Informatics.

Please join us on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 from 1:00 to 2:30pm; in NSF Room I-1235.

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Abstract

When opening government data a common assumption is that simply supplying more data freely and in more formats will lead to use. Use will then lead to value creation, and in turn, governments will be motivated to make the necessary changes to continue to open more data. Experience shows that supplying more and more data does not necessarily produce the results we anticipated. This talk will highlight work carried out by the Center for Technology in Government at the University at Albany, SUNY, together with government entities around the world, to examine the range of public value that accrues to different stakeholders when opening and using government data. The Center’s research to practice translation model will be discussed.

About The Speaker

Dr. Theresa A. Pardo
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**Dr. Theresa A. Pardo** serves as Director of the Center for Technology in Government at the University at Albany, State University of New York, where she also holds research professor appointments in Public Administration and Policy and Informatics. Dr. Pardo is co-developer of the top ranked program in Government Information Strategy and Management offered by the Public Administration and Policy Department of Rockefeller College.

Under her leadership, the Center works closely with multi-sector and multi-disciplinary teams from the U.S. and around the world to carry out applied research and problem solving projects focused on the intersections of policy, management, and technology in the governmental context. With funding from organizations such as the U.S. National Science Foundation, Ford Foundation, U.S. Department of Justice, United Nations, World Bank, U.S. Library of Congress, U.S. National Archives and Records Administration, SAP, Microsoft Corporation, and New York State, among others, Center work has broken ground in information and knowledge sharing, open government and open data, e-government, social media policy, and mobile technologies and human services delivery.

Dr. Pardo serves as Open NY Adviser to New York State’s Governor Andrew Cuomo and was recently appointed Expert Advisor to the Open Data 500 Project. She serves as International Advisor to the E-Government Committee for the China Information Association and is President of the Digital Government Society, a global multi-disciplinary organization of scholars and practitioners interested in the development and impacts of digital government. Dr. Pardo serves on a number of national and international advisory and editorial boards, including Government Information Quarterly, the leading journal in the field of digital government, the U.S. Government Accountability Office Executive Council on Information, Management, and Technology, and the Data Center for Applied Research in Social Sciences at Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas (CIDE) in Mexico City. She is also a Senior Adviser to the Informatization Research Institution, State Information Center in China and is a member of the Board of Champions for the NYS STEAM Girls Collaborative.

Dr. Pardo has published over 125 articles, research reports, practice guides, book chapters and case studies. She has received numerous awards including best journal and conference paper awards for her published work, the University at Albany’s Excellence in Teaching Award and the Rockefeller College Distinguished Service Award.

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