Cloud computing is fast becoming the dominant model of service provision. However, the cloud poses a number of interesting legal challenges, including issues of privacy and data protection, SLAs and contracts, cross-border data flows, surveillance/law-enforcement, and cloud governance, to name but a few. These issues not only cause uncertainty, but also hinder cloud adoption, particularly in sectors where data are subject to specific regulation or are particularly sensitive, such as healthcare, Government, financial services and R&D-heavy industries.

This workshop brings together specialists in Law and Computer Science, to take an interdisciplinary approach in exploring the technical-legal intersection of such issues.

At this first workshop, the goal is to begin the discourse. We are very pleased to report that we received some high-quality submissions. The Programme Committee (PC) comprises academic and industrial members from both disciplines. This allowed reviews from different perspectives, each paper receiving at least four.

The authors of the accepted papers are equally split between Computer Science and Law. These papers cover a range of questions and issues including:

- How can national legislation on where private data can flow be enforced?
- What would reassure Governments to use cloud services for citizens’ records?
- How can anonymisation required by law (e.g. US-HIPAA) best be provided?
- Can cloud service providers’ SLAs, currently in natural language text, be converted into a form allowing automatic processing?
- Can such contracts be written in accordance with an ontology?

We thank the authors for giving us an interesting and thought-provoking programme, and the PC for their hard work. We look forward to what promises to be an exciting workshop, hopefully the first of many.

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