

The Net Party (Partido de la Red)

The Net Party is a political party that aims to improve democracy by taking advantage of modern digital technology. Specifically, it proposes a model of citizen participation that is a hybrid of direct democracy and representative democracy.

The party was founded by Santiago Siri and Estaban Brenman in April 2012. It received the required support of 4000 citizens (to officially exist as a party) in August 2013, and ran for a seat in the local parliament of Buenos Aires during the October 2013 elections achieving 21,000 votes (1% of the votes). It is currently working to improve DemocracyOS and to get its first congressman elected in the 2017 elections.

The hallmark of a representative from the Net Party is that their vote will always be bound to the vote of their constituents on every bill in the Democracy OS platform. The innovation of the Net Party is its linkage to the formal political system through a “Trojan legislator”.

DemocracyOS

The DemocracyOS (DOS) software is an online space for deliberation and voting on policy proposals. The software aims to stimulate better arguments and reach better decisions collectively. This is a platform where 100% of the citizens can vote on each bill.

It has two main mechanisms: the validation of identity and how to vote.

The identity validation is a crucial component and is achieved through an account with a valid e-mail address. Identity validation ensures that all expression is 100% legitimate. Later, a separate app called NetIdentity will allow use of any of the online credentials (email, Facebook, Twitter) to validate the identity.

Regarding how to vote, every citizen can vote directly on the proposals made on each specific topic, or may choose to delegate a vote to another citizen that he/she considers is more expert in the subject. (It

will not be an automatic delegation, but must be validated at each ballot).

For examples of DemocracyOS voting sites with instructions on to participate visit the Occupy-San-Francisco site:

<https://app.democracyos.org/occupysanfrancisco>

Or the City-of-San-Francisco site:

<https://app.democracyos.org/cityof-sanfranciscodemocracyos>

Further References:

The Net Party in Wikipedia:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Net_Party

The Net Party's Home Page:

http://wiki.partidodelared.org/index.php/P%C3%A1gina_principal

Intro to DemocracyOS:

<http://www.DemocracyOS.org/>

OccupySF Website:

www.OccupySF.net

PROPOSE

Upgrade democracy to 21st century technology. Vote on any legislative issue in real time. Not just once every 2-4 years.

DEBATE

Debate in a platform that ranks the arguments from most liked to least, filtering the noise.

VOTE

With a clear deadline, get everyone to reach a decision and avoid endless debates.

Democracy Earth

“Power in your hands.”

“A planetary commons of peers. For everyone, anywhere.”

What differentiates valid elections from surveys is strong identity validation. We are working with pioneering decentralized protocols for identification, so no single corporation or government owns your credentials. Only you are in control. The blockchain, which is an incorruptible and public ledger made up of data that is stored decentrally, entirely distributed and interconnected.

Democracy Earth:

<http://democracy.earth/>

Explore the issues of the Occupy movement and let us know what you think. Here’s your chance to demonstrate online!

<https://www.facebook.com/Occupy-San-Francisco-Democracy-Operating-System-692493137564007/>

We, the residents of San Francisco, are the City of San Francisco. So what would you like your city government to be doing? Propose, debate and decide. Here’s your chance to be a city supervisor online and without all that messy campaigning.

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Or start a DemocracyOS in your own city or country. The basic service is free and is designed to give you control and ownership over what goes on in your city or country and encourage you to express yourself freely.

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