

Digital Planet: Integrity Lost, Episode 2

Vår digitala planet: Ser du Storebror?

Digitalisation fundamentally transforms our work, schools, cities and how we consume entertainment. Not since industrialisation has the world undergone a bigger change in society. It facilitates our everyday life and our ability to disseminate and gather knowledge. And, like no previous technology, it has the ability to connect people over great distances and give voice to marginalised groups.

But like all powerful technologies, digitisation also comes with challenges.

Have the big technology companies gained too much power over our lives? And can an individual's integrity be affected when more and more of society is driven by big data?

Sensors, cameras and large-scale data collection offer the opportunity to streamline important social functions in everything from healthcare and education to transport and law enforcement.

Some of the world's most digitised countries - Estonia, USA and China - have chosen completely different ways to apply the technology, and to tackle the privacy issues that arise.

Who are the different actors, and what are the different driving forces, behind our increasingly connected and monitored world? What are we prepared to sacrifice in terms of privacy for added convenience, safety and security? And at which point does the digital revolution turn our world into an undesirable surveillance society?

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