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### Job Objective

Study and stimulate political, legal and economical conditions for a democratic usage of information technologies (lobbying, legal monitoring, promotion of ethical values, etc). **Job desired in partial time (4/5) for a minimal yearly gross salary of EUR 40 000.**

### Positions in Non-Profit Organizations

- From 2006, February: Founder and Président of **FFII France** [http://www.ffii.fr/] (French chapter of FFII).
- From 2004, April to 2006, November: Vice-president of **FFII** [http://www.ffii.org/] (Foundation for a Free Information Infrastructure).

### Skills & Achievements

#### Direct lobbying with Members of European Parliament (MEPs), contributing to:

- 2005/07/06: **rejection** [http://www.ffii.fr/Le-Parlement-europeen-dit-NON-aux-brevets-logiciels-et-OUI-a-l-innovation] of "European directive on the patentability of computer-implemented inventions" (aka. directive on software patents).
- 2006/10/12: **amendment** [http://www.ffii.fr/vote-epla] of a "Resolution from European Parliament on Future of Patent System", concerning European Patent Litigation Agreement (EPLA).

#### Organisation of supporters:

- **Actions** [http://www.ffii.fr/Actions-] to mobilize supporters (petitions, protests, etc.)
- Collection and publication of contact informations for **MEPs** [http://www.ffii.fr/meplist/meps.html] , **French MEPs** [http://www.ffii.fr/meplist/meps\_fr.html] or **French deputies** [http://www.ffii.fr/meplist/mon\_depute.html] .
- **Instructions** [http://www.ffii.fr/Appel-au-Parlement-europeen-arretez-les-brevets-logiciels] for contacting politicians.
- Production of **rationales** [http://www.ffii.fr/Brevets-logiciels-] to provide arguments.
- Writing of templates or public **letters** [http://www.ffii.fr/Lettres-] .
- **Analysis, intructions, petition** [http://consultation.ffii.fr] to answer to a consultation from Eurorpean commission about European patents.
- **Analysis and instructions** [http://epla.ffii.fr/] for action concerning EPLA.

#### Analyses of legal documents and political positions:

- **Amendments and consecutive versions of the European directive on software patents** [http://www.ffii.fr/Analyses-sur-la-legislation-] .
- **Position of French government with regard to European directive on software patents** [http://www.ffii.fr/Reponse-a-la-position-adoptee-par-la-France-au-Conseil-Competitivite-du-18-mai-2004] .
- **Report from Medef (French Union of CEOs) about patents** [http://www.ffii.fr/brevets-medef-inpi] .
- [http://www.ffii.fr/Lettre-sur-le-protocole-de-Londres-et-l-EPLA] Report from French National Assembly on London Agreement.
- **Amendments by French National Assembly** [http://wiki.framasoft.info/EUCD/Amendements%c0RejeterOu%c0Soutenir] on Copyright Law (DADVI/EUCD)

#### Articles on software patents:

- **The non-patent side of software patents** [http://www.ffii.fr/La-face-non-patente-des-brevets-logiciels] (French), see also **slides** [http://gerald.sedrati-dinet.net/patents/index.html] in English.
- **The recombining of the European political scene illustrated by the directive on the software patents** [http://gerald.sedrati-dinet.net/informatology/landscape/] (French), see also **rough translation** [http://gerald.sedrati-dinet.net/informatology/landscape\_en/] i English.
- **Software patents vs. free flow of knowledge** [http://www.ffii.fr/brevets-logiciels-vs-connaissances] (French)
- Devising examples for **Patent absurdity** [http://www.guardian.co.uk/online/comment/story/0,12449,1510566,00.html] , published by Richard Stallman.

#### Press Relations (main quotes, interviews and press releases):

- **FFII.fr Press releases** [http://www.ffii.fr/Communiqués-de-presse-] .
- **Revue de Presse interactive** [http://www.ffii.fr/Emission-sur-Radio-Ici-maintenant] : interview in Radio Ici & Maintenant (2005/02/17).
- **À travers le logiciel, les pro-brevets visent les méthodes intellectuelles** [http://solutions.journaldunet.com/itws/050301\_it\_ffii\_brevets\_logiciels.shtml] : interview in Journal du Net (2005/03/02).
- **Brevets logiciels: le Conseil européen passe en force** [http://www.zdnet.fr/actualites/informatique/0,39040745,39210633,00.htm] : quote in ZDNet.fr (2005/03/07).
- **Adoption by EU Council of an (un-)common position** [http://www.libre-radio.org/article.php3?id\_article=53] : interview on Radio Divergence-FM (2005/03/10).
- **Le Parlement européen va se prononcer sur la brevetabilité du logiciel** [http://www.lemonde.fr/web/article/0,1-0@2-3214,36-669098@51-658040,0.html] : quote in Le Monde (2005/07/05).
- **Brevets logiciels : les réactions au rejet** [http://solutions.journaldunet.com/0507/050707\_brevets-logiciels.shtml] : interview in Journal du Net (2005/07/07).
- **L'Europe enterre la directive sur les brevets logiciels** [http://www.01net.com/editorial/283387/droit/l-europe-enterre-la-directive-sur-les-brevets-logiciels/] : quote in 01net (2005/07/06).
- **La brevetisation pousse à une appropriation des idées** [http://www.humanite.presse.fr/journal/2005-05-12/2005-05-12-634149] : Interview in L'Humanité (2005/05/12).
- **Longue vie à la FFII France** [http://www.ed-diamond.com/feuille\_lp34/index.html] : quote in GNU/Linux Pratique (2006/03/04).
- **Les débats sur l'EPLA pourraient relancer la guerre sur les brevets logiciels**

[<http://www.lemondeinformatique.fr/actualites/lire-les-debats-sur-l-epla-pourraient-relancer-la-guerre-sur-les-brevets-logiciels-20719.html>]  
: quote in Le Monde Informatique (2006/10/12).

- **Le système actuel des brevets n'est pas viable**  
[[http://www.newropeans-magazine.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=5041&Itemid=89](http://www.newropeans-magazine.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=5041&Itemid=89)] : quote in Newropeans Magazine (2006/12/15).

#### Computing tasks:

- Design of a **website** [<http://www.ffii.fr/>] , based on **SPIP** [<http://www.spip.net/>] (CMS PHP/MySQL) and an associated **wiki** [<http://wiki.ffii.fr/>] .
- Configuration and customization of a **members management system** [<http://www.ffii.fr/adherents/>] , based on **Galette** [<http://galette.tuxfamily.org/fr/doku.php>] (PHP/MySQL).
- Extraction/transformation/load (ETL) to build a database (PostgreSQL) containing amendments and consecutive versions of articles/recitals of the European directive on software patents (Perl/XML).
- ETL and intelligence on MEPs/MPs infos (Perl/XML), used for eg. for **scoring on votes of amendments** [<http://gerald.sedrati-dinet.net/informatology/ffii/meps/votes/>] .
- Automation for integration of RSS feeds into SPIP (Perl/HTML/SQL).
- Automation for Press Release delivery (Perl/SQL).
- Design of **web banners** [<http://www.ffii.fr/IMG/png/>] (Gimp).

#### Conferences:

- **Perl Mongers Days 2004** [<http://conferences.mongueurs.net/2004/talk/38>] (2004/06/06).
- **"Information Society under control** [<http://www.ffii.fr/Forum-Une-societe-de-l-Information-sous-controle>] : forum organised by Attac (2004/10/10).
- **Hearing at Nationale Assembly** [<http://www.ffii.fr/Audition-devant-le-groupe-d-etudes-Internet-a-l-Assemblee-nationale>] by parliamentary study group on Internet (2005/01/26).
- **Round table at National Assembly**  
[<http://www.lemondeinformatique.fr/actualites/lire-brevet-de-logiciels-l-europe-pourrait-revoir-sa-copie-sous-la-pression-des-elus-et-de-la-rue-5538.html>]  
, with Thaima Samman (Microsoft France) and Jean-François Abramatic (Ilog/W3C) (2005/02/15).
- Hearing at National Assembly by parliamentary delegation on European Union (2005/06/15).
- **LinuxEdu 2005** [[http://www.thematic74.fr/article.php?id\\_article=312](http://www.thematic74.fr/article.php?id_article=312)] (2005/05/19).
- **Libre Software Meeting 2005**  
[<http://www.couchet.org/blog/index.php?2005/07/09/9-rencontres-mondiales-du-logiciel-libre-a-dijon>] , Dijon (2005/07/06).
- **University of Toulouse** [<http://www.ffii.fr/Seminaire-a-l-Universite-de-Toulouse>] (2006/11/23).

#### Translation (English/French) of FFII's materials:

- **Patented European Webshop** [<http://webshop.ffii.fr/>] .
- **No Software Patents website** [<http://www.nosoftwarepatents.com/fr/m/intro/index.html>] .
- Various materials on **FFII.fr website** [<http://www.ffii.fr/>] .

## Professional Experience

- 1994-2000: **Bull** [<http://www.bull.com/>] , developer (C/Perl) and maintainer of an SNMP agent toolkit.
- 2000-2001: **Unlost** [<http://www.unlost.com/>] , developer of a crawler (Perl) for a morpho-syntactical search engine.
- 2001-2006: **Xyleme** [<http://www.xyleme.com/>] , senior developer of solutions in XMLization of legacy documents to be stored in an XML data warehouse.

See **complete professional resume** [<http://gerald.sedrati-dinet.net/perso/cv.html>]