

# France's 2016 digital law progresses and struggles

## The Good

### Digital Law “Lemaire” (2016)

- Right to request Open Data
  - Thanks to citizen lobbying :-)
- Open Formats mandatory
- Proactive publishing, but a number of exceptions

## The Less Good

### Open Data Law “Valter” (2015)

- In the law, free access by default
- 2 implementing decrees in 2016, preserving many access fees
- Challenged in supreme court by Regards Citoyens