

Kristian Stout Debates Matt Stoller on the Bigness of Big Tech at Cato Institute Conference, "Who's Afraid of Big Tech?" 03/01/19

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ICLE Associate Director, Kristian Stout joins Matt Stoller of Open Markets Institute on the panel titled "Is Big Tech Too Big?" at the Cato Institute conference, "Who's Afraid of Big Tech?" Below is the conference description from Cato Institute:

Since the 2016 presidential election, the debate over the social role and power of America's tech giants has intensified. Companies such as Facebook, Twitter, Amazon, and Google have found themselves on the receiving end of an array of complaints and regulatory proposals.

News of foreign interference in elections and allegations of mismanagement have prompted lawmakers to take action. Executives from the largest and most popular technology companies have been called before congressional committees and accused of being bad stewards of their users' privacy, failing to properly police their platforms, and engaging in politically motivated censorship. At the same time, companies such as Google and Amazon have been criticized for engaging in monopolistic practices.

Are such criticisms and complaints legitimate? If so, how should regulators respond? The Cato Institute's upcoming conference, "Who's Afraid of Big Tech?" will feature policy and industry experts tackling these and other timely questions. We hope that you will join us.

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