

"Logiciel libre, société libre": Free software activism in France and Europe

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<https://www.april.org/en>

"Promoting and Protecting Free Software since 1996"

April - <https://www.april.org/en>

- Organisation founded in 1996
- **4 000 members** (individuals, businesses, associations, local public bodies, universities, unions, etc.)
- **4 staff members**
- **Very active volunteers**



logiciel libre
société libre



**Priority to Free Software,
individually and collectively**

Collective alternative hosting



Chatons.org/en



Chapril.org/

CHATONS is a collective of independant, transparent, open, neutral and ethical hosters providing Free Software-based online services.

Libre à vous !



L'émission

pour comprendre et agir avec **l'April**,
l'association de promotion et de défense

du **logiciel libre**

Chaque mardi de 15 h 30 à 17 h
En direct sur radio Cause Commune 93.1 FM
en Île-de-France et sur cause-commune.fm



Retrouvez les podcasts sur april.org/libre-a-vous
et sur cause-commune.fm/shows/libre-a-vous

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commune
93.1fm

April
promouvoir et défendre
le logiciel libre

 *Libre à lire!* 

France

Political activism under the 5th Republic

- (strong) Presidential system
- Bicameralism (legalistive process)
- Political parties / groups (from far left to far right)

France

Long-run fight :

Priority to free software and open formats in the public sector

- “Digital sovereignty”
- Free software office at the state level
- Shed light on, and bring down, Open bar contracts with Microsoft & Co.

France

New perspectives ?

- **Health**

Support to Interhop (interhop.org/en)

→ <https://interhop.org/en/projets/collaboration>

- **Environmental issues**

(self-)repair, durability, sobriety, etc.

Europe

Political activism in the European Union

- **If you're not in Bruxelles...**
- **The rule of "compromise"**
 - Copyright directive – national transpositions
 - Digital Services and Digital Market Acts – direct effect
 - An individual victory against racketware, a collective need for new rules.
 - Directive on payment services – strong authentication

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