
THE NETHERLANDS RETHINKS ITS US TECH ADDICTION

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An identity tool that underpins the digital lives of Dutch people and has partly fallen into American hands is prompting the country to reconsider its reliance on U.S. technology.

In the Netherlands, almost every citizen regularly uses the online identification tool DigiD to book a doctors appointment, buy a house or access online public services.

With a Dutch supplier of the tool in the process of being acquired by a U.S. technology company, thats prompting concerns that the Netherlands is giving away critical technology at a moment of heightened sensitivity around the countrys wholesale use of American services.

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