

Freifunk The free WLAN-Network

Initiative for free (radio) networks

- Noncommercial
- Participatory network: Network in user's hand
- Equal treatment of all data (Net neutrality)
- Infrastructure decentralized

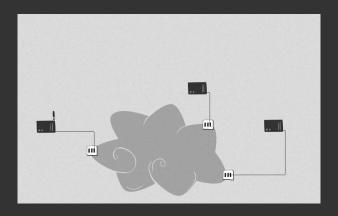






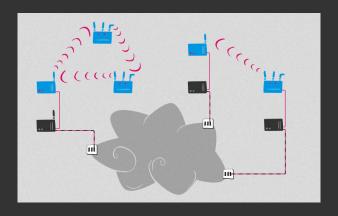


Without Freifunk



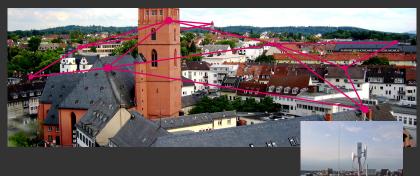
Closed WLAN networks, which do not communicate with each other

With Freifunk



Freifunk nodes span a free net

Backbone network



- Own infrastructure
 - Redundancy and load distribution
 - Independent of the Internet

Aim

- Participation of the population in the deployment and development of decentralized networks
- Promote the comprehension of communication networks ⇒ educational mission
- Participation in social initiatives to support the spread of free networks

Distribution

- Across Germany over
 400 local groups
- over 45.155 open nodes / access points



Freifunk Frankfurt: In Numbers

- · approximately 1300 concurrent daily users
- over 512 Freifunk-Nodes in the Frankfurt Area
- over 100 TB of user traffic every Month

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- No liability for node operators
- Traffic goes through our gateways. Limitation of liability after TMG §8.
- We take the laws literally:
 We do not collect any data.
- Freifunk is **no** anonymization service



Costs

- Goal of Freifunk: Free participation and usage
- Hardware depending on usage from 25,- €
- Running ISP Infrastructure is expensive!
 - Transit for the Backbone, power, etc. only possible by sponsors

Freifunk lives from participating

- Freifunk is not a service provider
- New local Communities are not just welcome, but desired
- Other Freifunk groups like to help and share knowledge





Thank you!



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