

**3rd meeting of the "IT" working group within DJW in Munich**  
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Summary

Recent revelations about internet surveillance have eclipsed even the most pessimistic imaginations. Hence, newly evaluated security policies are of utmost importance. Especially for leading technology companies in Germany and Japan the protection of intellectual property is essential for business success. This has large implications for companies' internal IT infrastructures as well as for the conduct of external communication.

In the first of three talks the high performance computing specialist Christian Kulker (ETH Lab) explained "Best Practice for Servers and Infrastructure". He pointed out the risks of cloud services and showed ways how to implement a reliable server infrastructure using a combination of self-hosted hardware and secure protocols. The second part of the equation, namely "client-side security" was covered by the talk by Dr. Hermann Gump (Pocketsite, LMU Center for Entrepreneurship). In most cases, not technology but people are the weakness of any security system, so management and employees need to become aware of risks and choose applications accordingly. Last but not least Martin Uhl (Technical University of Munich) gave a talk about trust between people and machines. At the end of the day everything boils down to people who need to trust each other. He concluded that strong and trustworthy relations between German and Japanese companies are absolutely necessary to build up networks of trust using modern information and communication technology.