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# Qwant supports the Christchurch community for a better web

For the second year in a row, Qwant responded to the Christchurch Call to Action launched by New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and French President Emmanuel Macron. In the presence of 15 Heads of State and the world's leading digital players, Jean-Claude Ghinozzi, CEO of Qwant, spoke on behalf of the company.

# Qwant delivers the message of a neutral web to the second edition of the Christchurch Call

A free, open, and secure internet is a powerful tool for fostering exchange, inclusion, and economic growth. However, the internet can also be hijacked by divisive and violent actors, as the March 15, 2019 attacks on the Muslim community in Christchurch tragically demonstrated.

During this second edition, Qwant delivered the message of a neutral web during the session "Algorithms, radicalization and positive intervention". Jean-Claude Ghinozzi stated: "We, at Qwant, within our European search engine, hold three values to be self-evident: Privacy, Neutrality and Impartiality. They build a better web, a healthier digital ecosystem, and especially to limit intellectual confinement.".

Jean-Claude Ghinozzi added about the impartiality of the web: "Our sorting algorithms are applied equally everywhere and for every user. It is a matter of respect and equal opportunities. We want the Web to be visible anywhere, without any discrimination. With Qwant, you are not a prisoner of algorithms or a victim of self-propagand."

# The commitments of the Christchurch Call

Once again, Qwant is committed to the Christchurch community for a better web. As a service provider, we are committed to :

- Take transparent measures seeking to prevent the upload of terrorist and violent extremist content and to prevent its dissemination
- Provide transparency in the setting of community standards or terms of service

- Enforce those community standards or terms of service in a manner consistent with human rights and fundamental freedoms
- Implement immediate, effective measures to mitigate the specific risk that terrorist and violent extremist content is disseminated through livestreaming
- Implement regular and transparent public reporting, in a way that is measurable and supported by clear methodology, on the quantity and nature of terrorist and violent extremist content being detected and removed.
- solides Work together to ensure cross-industry efforts are coordinated and robust

# À propos de Qwant

Designed and developed in France, Qwant is the first European search engine to have its own Web indexing technology, protecting the privacy of its users. Unlike the main search engines on the market, Qwant does not install any cookies on the user's browser, does not try to find out who they are or what they are doing, and does not keep a history of requests made. With a friendly interface that leaves a large place for results, Qwant allows users to find the information they are looking for efficiently across the Web and social networks, with total neutrality. Qwant treats all indexed sites and services without discrimination, without changing the order of results according to its own interests or the user's sensitivities. For more information: <a href="https://www.qwant.com">https://www.qwant.com</a>

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