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This Programme Sets Out A Collective Vision For Digital Justice Activism In Europe

Rooted in the necessity and desire for digital rights work to meet the needs of all in society, particularly those placed at the margins, we imagine a different ecosystem. We imagine a digital rights field that prioritises fighting against the harms experienced by marginalised communities, addresses internal power dynamics and organises in solidarity, an ecosystem that supports and sustains resistance, healing and community by and for those most harshly affected. We imagine a network of racial, social, queer transfeminist, environmental, economic, and tech activists fully equipped to win the fight for digital justice. The ecosystem we imagine is one that will organise towards anti-colonial digital futures.

This programme sets out how we might create and sustain this ecosystem. It is one of several outcomes of a two-year process of collective design with 30 participants from racial and social justice as well as digital rights organisations and funders, hoping to address power dynamics in the field and imagine a vision for anti-colonial digital organising.[1]

The approach of this programme builds on the work of many of those before us and those currently working on decolonising lands, fields, institutions, politics and practices. The majority of them are based in or stem from the global majority *outside* Europe. We are committed to continuing to learn

1 For more information about the decolonising process and people that generated this programme, the works that inspired us or the frameworks underlying this work, visit the Grounding Materials section and/or consult the Blueprint on www.weavingliberation.org

from and work with these communities of thought leaders, activists, and revolutionaries.

While colonialism, as Europe's project and creation, is Europe's responsibility, we acknowledge the limitations of a decolonising work that concentrates first and foremost on Europe. This programme aims to enable more bridging work to happen and rely on the work of diasporas coming from the global South and from people based in the global South. Nonetheless, decolonising will always come from the global South, and an anti-colonial digital justice field in Europe can only aspire so much as to be able to support liberatory movements. When it comes to justice and liberation, we recognise Europe as the margin.

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