

Father of the World Wide Web Has Created a New Internet Platform that Does not Spy on Users Like Google and Amazon

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Tim Berners-Lee, a British engineer known as the father of the World Wide Web because he was the first person to implement the HyperText Transfer Protocol (HTTP) on the internet, said he is devastated that his creation is being abused by powerful entities for mass surveillance, fake news, and psychological manipulation. His new startup company, 'Inrupt', intends to decentralize the web, using a new web platform called 'Solid' to recapture privacy from tech monopolies. The platform will allow individuals to have complete control over their personal data, and they will decide whether outsiders will be granted access to it, and to what extent. -GEG

"For people who want to make sure the Web serves humanity, we have to concern ourselves with what people are building on *top* of it," Tim Berners-Lee told *Vanity Fair* last month. "I was devastated" he said while going through a litany of harmful and dangerous developments of the past three decades of the web.

That's why "the Father of the World Wide Web" has launched a start-up that intends to end the dominance of Facebook, Google, and Amazon, while in the process letting individuals take back control of their own data.

Berners-Lee's new online platform and company *Inrupt* is being described as a "personal online data store," or pod, where everything from messages, music, contacts or other personal data will be stored in one place overseen by the user instead of an array of platforms and apps run by corporations seeking to profit off personal information. The project seeks "personal empowerment through data" and aims to "take back" the web, according to company statements.

The man who created the world wide web by implementing the first ever successful communication between a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) client and server via the internet in 1989 lamented that his creation has been abused by powerful entities for everything mass surveillance to fake news to psychological manipulation to corporations commodifying individuals' information.

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