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In the context of servus.at, the term ARTIST RUN DATA CENTER (ARDC) refers to a series of virtual machines (VMs) within the server cluster that artists and collectives use as an experimental production space.

This publication presents a series of conversations with key actors from the context of servus.at and the communities of radical net cultures around the Art Meets Radical Openness Festival. These are ARTISTS who are RUNNING independent, experimental, radical and cultural DATA CENTERS.

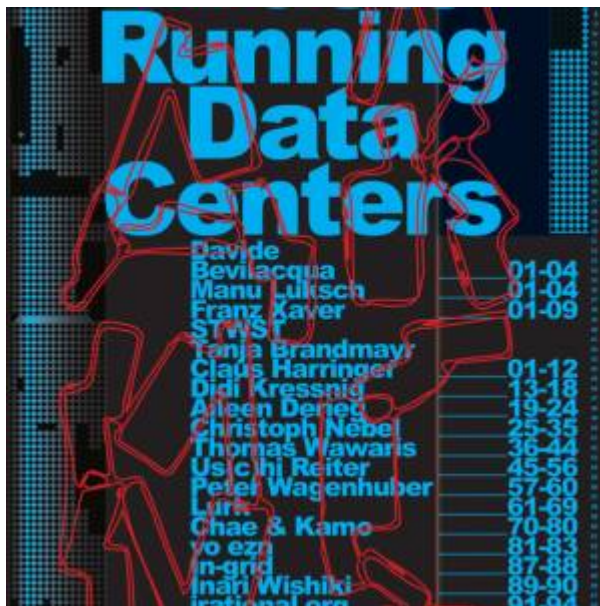
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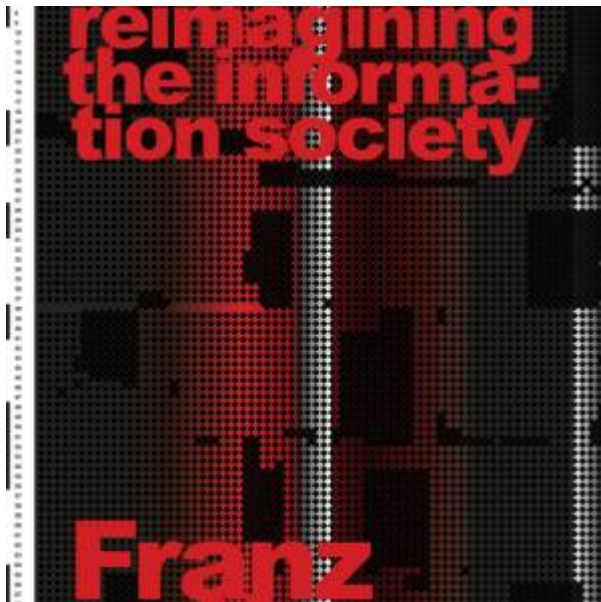
Artists Running Data Centers...  
 What can be an art server today?  
 Media art reimagining the information society.

We never wanted to do "clean" art...  
 It all started with normal computers.  
 "We'll call the network Eliot"  
 From Intermedia Research to Art Meets Radical Op  
 Beyond the battle for operating systems, we have  
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The very happy Fall event experience fell. The technical staff were done by Patrick Wilson and Max Kowalski, who was later a quite important person in the most relevant networks of the time". It was fundamental for me to experience the internet as text-based. If you searched for some image or 2D models, you had the 2D file transfer protocol to download. I had to have the text-based information and when Max and Patrick set up the MASHADO, this option was in order. "You are in a study room of 500 square meters, on the left you have a bookshelf, on the right you have a data bank, and so on." In MASHADO, you navigated along text commands like "go left to the bookshelf" or "take a book". Once you selected a book, you could read parts of it. "You could also say 'go to the elevator', 'go up to the first floor' or 'enter the computer room'. From there, you could connect to the Libe system at MIT and use books like 'Digital' to explore further.



I was an exciting and interactive experience. Usually, one of the first gradual web browsers, arranged later, introducing the graphical World Wide Web, we knew. Back then, everything was text-based and loading images took ages. The web could be fast, but the effects of online interactions were already a hot topic. Deleuze offers ideas about what was acceptable behaviour and what wasn't in these digital spaces. So, if someone is a media researcher, said: "Right as my right hand," others said: "Please, open the windows." If someone hears someone or something like this, it immediately brought up questions and debates about it.

The only worked with the ASCII code so that it stays read-

Quo Vadis, Medienkunst?

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