Issue	Clinton	Trump
Proposed Internet framework	Tech & Innovation Agenda, comprises five key parts: leverage technology to create goodpaying jobs; deliver high-speed broadband to all Americans and lay the groundwork for the Internet of Things; ensure America remains the global leader in technology; establish rules to support innovation while safeguarding privacy and security; make the government smarter using new technologies.	No known position.
Internet access and infrastructure	Supports high-speed broadband for all US citizens and free WiFi in public places under the framework of the Initiative on Technology & Innovation.	Promises to rebuild the US infrastructure, without clear commitments.
Cybersecurity and cybercrime	Supports greater investment in cybersecurity and would promote collaboration between the public and private sectors. Committed to prioritising the enforcement of well-known cybersecurity standards, as well as the mitigation of risks from known vulnerabilities. Promises to build on pre-existing initiatives, such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework. and to build on the Obama administration's Cybersecurity National Action Plan Sees cybersecurity and cyber warfare as 'one of the biggest challenges facing the next president.' Promises to protect industry, infrastructure, and government from cyberattacks while protecting American citizens' privacy and civil liberties.	Proposes the creation of joint task forces with a mandate to combat cybercriminals in the same vein as the task forces used to fight the Mafia. Proposes the creation of a team of experts from the military, civilian and private sector to 'comprehensively review all cybersecurity systems and technology', periodically conducting follow-up reviews. Supports the development of offensive technologies in the form of 'crippling cyber counter-attacks' to be used as a deterrent. Sees cyberattacks as 'the warfare of the future'.
Surveillance	Endorsed the USA Freedom Act and recent reforms of government bulk data collection programmes.	Affirmed that he would restore some of the NSA's controversial warrantless spying programmes that were curtailed after 2007.
Privacy	Supports efforts such as the US-EU Privacy Shield to protect data movement across borders. Rejects the false choice between privacy interests and keeping Americans safe.	No general stance on privacy issues, but has committed to specific points, such as to close the loopholes in the federal privacy law to ensure that students' personal information remains private.
Freedom of Speech	Opposes efforts to block or degrade Internet access or to shut down social media, while promising to work with the technical communities to 'deprive jihadists of virtual territory'.	Promises to work with the technical community to prevent online recruiting by terrorists and would support Internet shutdowns in the case of conflicts with third parties.
Encryption	Avoids controversy while supporting security and privacy. Backed Apple's position on encryption.	Called on supporters to boycott Apple unless it agreed to comply with the FBI's order to break encryption.
Digital capacity building	Has developed a platform for awareness and capacity-building of digital skills.	Promises to create a cyber review team training programme for government employees on potential cybersecurity threats and how to avoid them.
Multistakeholder model	Strongly supports the multistakeholder model.	No known position.
Net Neutrality	Promises to support the strongest possible Net Neutrality rules.	Has expressed concerns that Network Neutrality would be detrimental to the conservative media.

