

4th International Conference on Information Law (ICIL) 2011 ''Values and Freedoms in Modern Information Law and Ethics" Thessaloniki, Greece, May 20-21, 2011

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Call for papers

We are interested in papers on intellectual property, data protection, freedom of information, individual rights and information, privacy, cyberlaw and cyberethics, media law and ethics, digital divide and information technology, e-government, surveillance, intellectual freedom, open access, digital divide and other.

We are also particularly interested in papers on the historical development of information laws and ethical theory and we would also consider papers dealing with the social, political or psychological aspects of information.

The lack of hierarchy and control on the Internet has allowed the dissemination of copyrighted material without consent from right holders. It also facilitated the distribution of illicit and obscene material, such as child pornography. In order to cope with these issues, Governments introduced harsh measures, such as the Hadopi Law in France, measures that impinge upon the informational privacy of Internet users. A conflict between the protection of right holders and users' privacy appears, which is hard to tackle. Similarly, the need to combat criminality has led to increased surveillance of electronic communications. The Data Retention Directive is an example of surveillance measures that provoked many controversies. Other privacy threats emerge from the ability of third parties to invade privacy, which is provided by technologies, such as ubiquitous computing, biometrics and RFIDS.

The aforementioned issues confront us with significant questions: Is our information society endangered by the invasion of technology and the increased surveillance exercised by governments and third parties alike? How far should we go to protect economical interests?

The 4th International Conference on Information Law 2011 is dedicated to such issues. Through a multitude of topics the Conference will attempt to provoke awareness and stimulate discussion on the legal and ethical challenges that lie ahead of us in the second decade of the 21st century.

Paper length: around 15 pages A4. Longer papers are welcome.

Abstracts due: January 20, 2011.

Final papers due: April 1st, 2011.

Abstract length: 250 words.

Instructions for authors: <u>Download detailed instructions</u>.

All abstracts will be reviewed (blind reviews).

Due to heightened interest, we have begun the abstracts review process. Abstracts received will receive an evaluation within 15 days from receipt.