

Future Internet Legals

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Sample Legal Challenges

- Privacy

- Data protection law will be outdated
- Current classification (sensitive data, private data, and other data) needs to be enhanced
- Other forms of privacy increasingly important

- Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

- FI: from node-centricity to information-centricity
 - Copying is mandatory – no longer legally interesting
 - Access to information and modifying it will be essential

- Contracts and Consumer Protection

- Liabilities and consumer issues in publish-subscribe model

Studying Future Internet Legals

- How to solve problems:
 - Contracts increase transaction costs
 - Global laws are unrealistic
 - ⇒ Innovative regulative solutions are required:
 - "soft law", "code as code" supported by the legal system
- Empirical studies needed
 - Traditional legal studies are not enough, since statutes, court cases and other historical documents alone don't help us in the new environment
 - User studies, socio-economic research are required