JUS5680 - Autumn 2017

Internet Governance Course Outline

Please see the lecture hours and rooms in the schedule published on the course website. The lecturers are:

- LB: Lee Bygrave, Professor, NRCCL
- SE: Samson Esayas, Doctoral Research Fellow, NRCCL
- TM: Tobias Mahler, Professor, NRCCL
- WU: Worku Urgessa, Doctoral Research Fellow, NRCCL

Date	Lecture	Issues	Reading	Lecturer
31.08	Introduction to Internet Governance	- Course overview - History of Internet development - Defining features of Internet - Relationship to other networks and concepts	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 1	LB
04.09	Development of Core Internet Standards – Players and Processes	- Overview of governance forms - Overview of principal actors involved (IETF, W3C etc.) - RFC process – "rough consensus and running code"	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 2-4	LB
14.09	Management of IP Addresses	- How are IP addresses managed? - Depletion of IPv4 addresses - Issues of distribution inequality - Transition to IPv6	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 2-4	SE
20.09	Announcement of term paper assignment	The topic for the home exam is announced		
22.09	Domain Name System and ICANN	- Overview of DNS and principal bodies involved, with particular focus on ICANN - Preliminary details on IANA transition	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 5	LB
28.09	Domain Name Dispute Resolution – UDRP, URS, TMs and GIs	- Dispute resolution schemes, with particular focus on UDRP and URS - Role of ordinary law, with particular focus on law relating to protection of trademarks and geographical indications	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 5 Mueller, Ch. 7 UDRP Policy; URS Procedure & Rules	LB

29.09	Submission Deadline	Preliminary draft of term paper to be submitted		
12.10	Term Paper Workshop	• Work-in-progress discussion of the term papers • Advice on how to write a good paper (eventually, a thesis)		LB
19.10	New Generic Top Level Domains (gTLDs)	• Application and evaluation process • Objection procedure • Overview of rights protection mechanisms	ICANN, Applicant Guidebook (latest version)	TM
26.10	IANA Transition and ICANN Accountability Enhancement	• Fate of IANA Functions contract • Creation of Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) • Enhancing ICANN's accountability		LB
02.11	Global Internet Governance and Public International Law	World Summit on Information Society (WSIS) and Internet Governance Forum (IGF) • History from WSIS to NetMundial to WSIS+10 • Impact and likely outcomes of WSIS/IGF/NetMundial The roles of International Organizations • UN (ECOSOC), The Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD) • The International Telecommunication Union (ITU)	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 6 Mueller, Ch. 8-11 WSIS+10 Resolution NETmundial Multistakeholder Statement	WU
09.11	Enforcement Through the DNS; Internet Governance by Contract	• Registry Agreements • Registrar Accreditation Agreement • Reform of WHOIS • Domain name takedowns • More general considerations of contractually based governance	New gTLD Registry Agreement Registrar Accreditation Agreement Material published by Expert Working Group on gTLD Directory Services Bygrave, *Internet Governance by Contract*, Ch. 3-8	LB
16.11	Summing Up & Discussion	Interactive revision of legal issues in Internet governance, with specific relevance for term paper, possibly combined with debate	All	LB
14.12	Deadline for Submission of Term Paper			