

Net Neutrality in the U.S. and Europe

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INTRODUCTION

After more than a decade of debate over the value of and legal strategy for preserving Internet openness, the U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) announced a ground-breaking revision to its net neutrality rules. The FCC reclassified broadband Internet service as a variety of common carriage, imposed bright line rules against blocking, throttling, and paid prioritization of Internet content, and announced an all-encompassing Internet conduct standard for broadband Internet service providers. Although the rules have taken effect, major telecommunications companies have challenged their validity in litigation in a federal court of appeals. The event will discuss the past, present, and future of net neutrality regulation in the United States and Europe.

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Professor Michael Burstein Before joining the Cardozo faculty, Professor Burstein was a Climenko Fellow at Harvard Law School. Following law school, Professor Burstein clerked for Judge A. Raymond Randolph of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and served as a Bristow Fellow in the Office of the Solicitor General, U.S. Department of Justice. He also practiced appellate litigation and telecommunications law at Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd, Evans & Figel in Washington, D.C., and worked as a management consultant at McKinsey & Company. Professor Burstein received a B.A. in Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, and Ethics, Politics and Economics from Yale University (1999), and a J.D. magna cum laude from the New York University School of Law (2004).

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Professor Dr. Thomas Fetzer, LL.M. (Vanderbilt) studied law at the University of Mannheim where he also received his doctoral degree in 2000. He graduated from the Vanderbilt University Law School (LL.M. 2003). "Habilitation" at the University of Mannheim in 2009. He is an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Pennsylvania Law School Centre for Technology, Innovation and Competition since 2009. Professor Fetzer held the Chair of Tax Law and Business Law at the TU Dresden Law School from 2010 to 2012. He has been holding the Chair of Public Law, Regulation Law and Tax Law at the School of Law and Economics at the University of Mannheim since 2012. Moreover, he is, i.a., an academic director of the Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI). In cooperation with others he organized a workshop series for the Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi) on Net Neutrality and has published several studies on this issue.

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