



**Interdisciplinary Dialogues and the Evolution of Law to Address Cybercrime Issues in the Exciting Age of Information and Communication Technology**

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**Abstract:**

Human history and civilization are quite long in contrast with the ICT revolution the world has experienced since the 1990s, when the Internet became available for general use. In the first stage of general availability, we marveled at the benefits of e-commerce, access to information and communicating with others across great distances globally. Later in this period, the “bad guys” discovered the technology as well, and over time we have seen rapid development of fraud and other crimes online. Unfortunately, the academic and legal communities have not evolved as quickly as the technology in terms of ability to address cybercrime, nor have they integrated the knowledge of the technology community into their endeavors enough to enable efficient enforcement of laws.

This paper will discuss two needs that have emerged: the need for interdisciplinary dialogues among law, policy and technology communities, and the need for common forms of cybercrime law to enable collaboration when there are cross-border cybercrime issues. Computer forensics knowledge is an important aspect of the effort to curb cybercrime.

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