

TITLE: *The struggle over privacy, security, cyber-crimes and the civilrights in the Brazilian law - a historical overview*

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Abstract: This paper presents a comprehensive study of the multiple ongoing reform propositions of the Brazilian laws related to privacy, security, crimes and intellectual property. All of them focused on the events that can occur over computer based communications, most notably the ones that take place over the Internet. The main goal of this text is to expose, through a historical overview, whether or not Brazil is fulfilling the said democratic creation of new laws on privacy, security and cyber-crimes, or if it is just reenacting old debates about to what extension the civil rights can exist in the Brazilian law and in the Brazilian society. A critical question for a country that aspires to have international political relevance in the near future.