

Abstract

This paper focuses upon the intermediary liability scheme both in the United States and in the European Union. The paper focuses on a comparison among the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) & s.230(c) of the Communications Decency Act ("CDA") and the European's E-commerce- Directive ("ECD"). It indicates both the similarities and the differences of the above legal regimes. Moreover, it discusses the supportive basis for the above legal frameworks and it comments the regulatory objectives that favour. In addition, it evaluates them as an appropriate regulation of intermediaries. Finally, the paper presents the possible impact of the Stop Online Piracy Act (SOPA), in the regulation of intermediaries.