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IG Barometer indicates the presence of specific IG issues in the public policy debate in comparison to the previous month

Global IG Architecture

same relevance

UN High-Level Panel on Digital Cooperation continues discussions on digital policy mechanisms

Sustainable development

same relevance

The new African Girls Can CODE Initiative (AGCCI) will equip girls and young women in Africa with digital literacy skills⤴

The State of Broadband report raises concern about growing inequalities in access to broadband⤴

Security

increasing relevance

US' White House publishes its first cybersecurity strategy in 15 years⤴

US Department of Defence publishes 2018 Cyber Strategy⤴

European Commission proposes tough deadlines to remove online terrorist content⤴

Personal data of Chinese hotel clients lands on the Dark Web⤴

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E-commerce and Internet economy

increasing relevance

European Commission releases concept paper on modernising the WTO; G20 trade ministers also call for dialogue and action

US imposes new tariffs on China, fuelling the ongoing trade war

China announces multi-billion dollar investment for the digital economy

Intense discussions on data localisation policy continues in India

Amazon becomes second company to hit $1 trillion in value; hit by EU preliminary antitrust investigation

EU Finance Ministers take cautionary approach to crypto regulation

Digital rights

increasing relevance

ECHR: UK's mass surveillance programme violated right to privacy

Five Eyes call for lawful access solutions to private data

Google's right to be forgotten case continues at CJEU: arguments are heard

Jurisdiction and legal issues

increasing relevance

European Parliament approves amendments to Copyright Directive which retains essence of controversial Articles 11 and 13

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Infrastructure

same relevance

New undersea cable SACS has been activated

Project Loon reaches 1000 kilometre milestone

Net neutrality

same relevance

California approves net neutrality bill; FCC chairman criticises move

New technologies (IoT, AI, etc.)

same relevance

European Parliament calls for ban on development of lethal autonomous weapons systems

US DoD's DARPA invests heavily in AI Next campaign

Research explores use of AI for the healthcare industry

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