



in co-operation with



Master Class in Online Media Regulation

**Nippon Hotel
Istanbul, Turkey
11-13 December 2012**

Agenda

Day 1, Tuesday, 11 December 2012

09.00 – 9.30 REGISTRATION

9.30–10.00 OPENING SESSION

Moderator:

Ana Karlsreiter, Senior Adviser, Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Opening Speech

Dunja Mijatović, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Regulation for Safer Internet

Osman Nihat Şen, Head of Internet Department, Information and Communication Technologies Authority, Turkey

10.00–11:00 SESSION I. Introduction to Regulation of Internet

Presenters:

Douglas Griffin, Director, Albany Associates

Professor Katrin Nyman-Metcalf, Head of the Chair of Law and Technology, Tallinn Law School, Tallinn University of Technology

The presentation will provide an overview of:

- Legal challenges and issues pertaining to the Internet content regulation.
- How Internet fits into the media law framework.
- Best practices.

11.00 - 11.15 Coffee break

11.15 – 12:30 SESSION II. Mechanism for Regulating the Internet

The presentation will provide an overview of:

- Notice and take-down procedures
- Regulation of online comments
- Filtering and blocking
- Self-regulatory and other mechanisms

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch

13:30 – 15.00 SESSION III. First break-out session

- Explanation of scenarios and group work.
- Break out into groups.
- Scenario 1 introduced and discussed in groups.

Facilitator:

Dieter Loraine, Managing Director, Albany Associates

15.00– 15:15 Coffee break

15:15 – 17.00 SESSION IV. Second break-out session

- Scenario 2 introduced and discussed in groups.

Facilitator:

Dieter Loraine, Managing Director, Albany Associates

18.00 Reception hosted by the OSCE Representative on freedom of the Media

Day 2, Wednesday, 12 December 2012

09.00 – 10.30 SESSION V: Net Neutrality and Access to Internet; Estonian Example

Presenter:

Professor Katrin Nyman-Metcalf, Head of the Chair of Law and Technology, Tallinn Law School, Tallinn University of Technology

The presentation will provide an overview of:

- The concept of net neutrality
- Access to Internet as a fundamental right and its legal protection
- Practical and legal measures to ensure real access to Internet for all
- The role of the government and the role of service providers

10.30 - 10.45 Coffee break

10.45 – 12:00 SESSION VI. Third break-out session

- Scenario 3 introduced and discussed in groups.

Facilitator:

Douglas Griffin, Director, Albany Associates

12.00- 13.00 Lunch

13:00 – 16.00 SESSION VII. Fourth break-out session and work on group presentations

- Group presentations explained.
- Scenario 4 introduced and discussed in groups.
- Work on group presentations.

Facilitator:

Dieter Loraine, Director, Albany Associates

16.00 Coffee break

Day 3, Thursday, 13 December 2012
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9.00 – 10:00 SESSION VIII: Moderating Online Comments: Law and Practice in Russia

Presenter:

Andrey Rikhter, Director, Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

- Case law of the Supreme Court of Russia on liability for content published on forums of online media
- Monitoring breaches of law in comments on online media forums
- Practice of forwarding requests of the supervisory agency of executive branch of the government
- Court practices in cases related to violating the right to one's honour and dignity and to privacy online

10:00 – 11:30 SESSION IX. Group Presentations

Facilitator:

Douglas Griffin, Director, Albany Associates

11.30 - 11.45 Coffee break

11.45 – 13.00 SESSION X. Group Presentations (continued)

Facilitator:

Douglas Griffin, Director, Albany Associates

13.00 – 13.30 Closing Remarks. Evaluation. Distribution of certificates.

Andrey Rikhter, Director, Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

13.30 Lunch

About our partner Albany Associates:

Albany Associates is an international consulting company specialising in the regulation of broadcasting and media and advising on establishing communications regulatory frameworks. Supporting the crucial inter-linkage between policy and regulatory implementation. Albany also develops communications and public diplomacy strategies to assist in the public understanding of how the two issues are mutually dependent. The company provides experience-based practical advice and project management services to a varied worldwide client base including governments, international organisations and agencies, broadcast and telecommunications regulators, press-self-regulatory bodies, NGOs and media businesses. Albany Associates can call on extensive team of multi-disciplined international consultants with global expertise in communications, regulation, broadcasting, media law, public relations and management training.

Our presenters:

Dieter Loraine

Dieter Loraine is a Director and co-founder of Albany Associates. He has over 15 years experience of strategic communications, institution building and media and regulatory development. Prior to forming Albany he was Senior Consultant for Media Regulation with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office's Media Development and Regulation Advisory Team in Iraq. Between 2001 and 2003 he was Acting Deputy Director General and Director of Communications for the Communications Regulatory Agency (CRA) in Bosnia and Herzegovina – at the time, Europe's newest converged regulator. During his time with the CRA he also served as Special Adviser to the UK Press Complaints Commission. Dieter is credited with designing and establishing from scratch the Bosnian Press Council, the first of its kind in South East Europe. Between 1998 and 2001 he held two senior positions as Director of Broadcast Licensing and Director of Public Affairs in the Independent Media and Broadcasting Commission in Sarajevo.

Douglas Griffin

Doug Griffin, a Director of Albany Associates, is an expert in communications and media strategy, law and policy, particularly in conflict, post-conflict and transitional environments. He is a lawyer with expertise in drafting important legal documents and assisting with the development of communications and media law and policy. He has significant experience communicating effectively with stakeholders, including the public, government officials and the international community, about key law and policy issues. Examples of projects include drafting a media development strategy for Somalia; drafting key legislation and regulations concerning media and telecommunications in Iraq; training senior management of national regulators of broadcasting and communications and government officials; and providing comprehensive broadcast and other regulatory advice to communications regulators and government ministries. He was previously with an international law firm in Paris, Moscow and New York.

Dr. Katrin Nyman-Metcalf

Dr. Katrin Nyman-Metcalf is Professor of International and Comparative Law and Chair of Law and Technology at Tallinn Law School, Tallinn University of Technology, lecturing in public international, EU and comparative law with a special emphasis on communications law. Apart from her academic work, Professor Nyman-Metcalf is active as an international consultant primarily in the area of media and information and communication technology law. Projects include regular legal analysis of media and communications legislation for the OSCE, EU legislative projects, support to the judicial sector in Palestine on media and data protection issues, work on setting up regulatory systems and professional training especially for post-conflict societies, drafting of communications and infrastructure legislation in Serbia; support to e-governance in Albania and Kosovo; as well as a number of legislative analyses covering communications legislation of e.g. Armenia, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine.

