

The Challenge for Cyber-Security: Prospects for Global Internet Governance?

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Scope

- ▶ Terminological conflict: *Cyber-Security, Internet Governance* etc.
- ▶ Legal conflict (gap): lack of globally recognized legal instruments
- ▶ Organizational conflict: ICANN vs ITU
- ▶ (potential) Political/Military conflict: cyber-warfare

- ▶ 2013: Snowden case: what's new

Terminology

- ▶ Global understanding: *Cyber-Security, security of the Internet, security of the cyberspace*
- ▶ Russian interpretation: “trinity” of
 - (Inter)National Security (e.g. preventing cyber-wars)
 - Public Security (e.g. combating cyber-terrorism and “*cyber-extremism*”)
 - Private Security (e.g. countering cyber-crime)
- ▶ Russian terminology: *International Information Security*
- ▶ Compromise (Obama–Putin Joint Statement, 2013):
issues of threats to or in the use of ICTs in the context of international security
 - ICT stands for *Information and Communication Technologies*

Internet Governance & *Multistakeholder Approach*

- ▶ Working Group of Internet Governance
(Final Report, 2005):

The development and application by Governments, the private sector and civil society, in their respective roles, of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programs that shape the evolution and use of the Internet.

- ▶ New Stakeholders: technical community, academia, international organizations

Legal Framework

- ▶ No globally recognized international treaty on global cyber–security or internet governance
- ▶ *Budapest Convention on Cybercrime* (2001), Council of Europe
 - Non–European countries participate (including U.S.A.)
 - Russian concerns on Art. 32 (B)
- ▶ Proposals of the Russian Federation on the *Concept of the U.N. Convention of the International Information Security* (2010–2012)
- ▶ Council of Europe Governing Principles (2011) as possible common platform for interaction

Who should govern cyber–security issues?

- ▶ Highly politicized issue (broader understanding of cyber–security, including freedom of speech, ‘cyber–extremism’ etc.)
- ▶ Dubai World Conference on Telecommunications (2012): only 89 of 152 countries signed the new version of the International Telecommunication Regulation
- ▶ Internet is a multi–layer network, substantially with different level of regulatory framework: physical lines, communications channels, core DNS servers, IP–addresses, DNS, applications etc.
 - No technological grounds for ITU vs ICANN conflict

Cyber-warfare

- ▶ Exists in reality
 - Sometimes the negative consequences may be caused not by software tools (Armenian case 2010)
- ▶ Known cases not confirmed (globally recognized): attribution issue (Estonian case 2007)
- ▶ Cyber Commands being created throughout the world
- ▶ Non-proliferation of cyber-warfare needed (if possible?)

Snowden case (2013)

- ▶ 1. Whether what Snowden revealed (=NSA surveillance), *is a 'bug' or the 'feature'* of the current Internet Governance System?
 - +how it affects the state of the global cyber-security?
- ▶ 2. If the 'bug' -> then it has nothing to see with the real regulatory system of the current Internet, and it should be solved on domestic (violation of privacy laws) and international (diplomatic level)
- ▶ 3. If the 'feature' -> new framework of Internet Governance should be developed to guarantee the stability and security of the cyberspace

New topics for consideration

- ▶ Identification of the Internet users and network resources owners
 - Attribution of the illegal acts in the cyberspace
 - US concepts on Trusted Identities (=> may be discussed globally)
- ▶ Electronic payments
 - Anti-money laundering, combating cybercrime and cyber terrorism
- ▶ Social networks regulation
 - Population of Facebook 'citizens' is the third 'country' of the world, after China and India
 - (> 1 b users)

Conclusions

- ▶ 1. International Treaty on Cyber Security (and/or Internet Governance) may be our common objective by 2015–2016
 - Unified terminology
 - Governing principles
 - identity, e-Payments, social networks, privacy
- ▶ 2. Non-proliferation of Cyber-Warfare is now in the international political agenda
- ▶ 3. Multistakeholder approach should be a basis for any solution in the field of global cyber-security

Any questions?

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