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KnowRight 2010

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Conference on the Interaction of Information Related Rights, Information Technology and Knowledge Management

Organised by: Austrian Computer Society OCG
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DGRI Deutsche Gesellschaft für Recht und Informatik
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Business Software Alliance BSA
Foundation for a Free Information Infrastructure FFII

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CONFERENCE OUTLINE

KnowRight conferences have been held since 1995; KR2010 is already the 6th. Traditionally KnowRight focuses on the interaction between Intellectual Property Rights, Information Rights, ethical issues, civil society and information technology.

Unusual for an intellectual property conference, it originates from a computing society and was an early mark for the necessary change in IP law due to new technologies in the context of the Information Society and a progressively electronic environment. Therefore, KnowRight is best suited to be a forum between informatics, IP lawyers, lobbyists, managers, administrators and citizens in the knowledge economy. IP law and data protection law have to somehow balance contradictory expectations of business and civil society.

KnowRight2010 will be organised by the Austrian Computer Society OCG, supported by the German Computing Society GI, the German Society for Law and Informatics DGRI, the related research groups at the Universities of Vienna (Centre for Computers and Law) and Krakow (Intellectual Property Law Institute) and will take place in Vienna, Austria. KnowRight will be a forum for discussions between business, civil society and administration organised and mediated by academia. The host will be the University of Vienna.



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All relevant groups of the public, the business and the civil society are welcome; BSA and FFII have already agreed to provide substantive input for KnowRight2010 discussions.

Academics, practitioners and researchers from throughout Europe and the United States will meet to discuss a broad range of issues arising in the context of the Information Society and a progressively electronic environment. Participation of a wide spectrum of vested interests will ensure a lively debate on issues such as standards and intellectual property, data protection and web 2.0, data retention, access to information, computer crime, digital libraries, e-commerce, e-government, e-justice, electronic civil society, free speech and homeland security, IP and competition law, IP and development agenda, IP and innovation, IP and public policy considerations, new challenges for the enforcement of IPRs, open source, open content, preserving the public domain and rule of law in cyberspace.

MAJOR CONFERENCE TOPICS

Intellectual Property

- IP and competition law
- IP and development agenda (WIPO Development Agenda etc.)
- Software patents
- Re-use right
- Enforcement of IPRs
 - Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement Directive (IPRED)
 - Access to private and public data for enforcement purposes
 - User blocking as sanction for IP violations
 - Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA)
 - Enforcement of IP with penal law
 - Public support for enforcement of IPRs
 - Administrative sanctions instead of penal sanctions?
- Digital Rights Management
- Collecting societies
- Just and fair share of authors
- Pirate Bay debacle
- IP and innovation
- IP and public policy considerations
- Google books & authors' rights

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Creative Commons and open source

- Open source
- Open content
- Creative Commons
- Copy-left
- Preserving the public domain
- Just and fair share of authors
- Pirate Bay debacle
- Google books & authors' rights



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Personality rights vs. freedom of information

- Public debate and data protection
- Public access to tax files
- Public access to criminal records
- Deletion of criminal records in publicly accessible databases on the basis of the personality right

Digitalisation of books & authors' rights and royalties

- A new distribution channel of books?
- More money for authors via electronic distribution with a search engine?
- Access to knowledge?

Access to and Reuse of Public Sector and Private Information

- Freedom of information and data protection
- Access to public documents
- Legal framework of public sector information reuse
- Socioeconomic conditions of PSI reuse
- Extent of and limitations on database protection in Europe
- Long term archiving of public and private information

Data protection & *Lex Personalitatis* in Cyberspace

- Personality rights vs. freedom of information
- Do we need a new model of data protection?
- More control on published private data?
- Data retention and data reuse
- RFIDs - Pervasive computing
- Automatic "forgetting" of database
- Privacy and electronic identities
- Use of electronic footprints for proof
- Electronic identities
- Electronic life
- Personality rights and copyright issues surrounding Google Street View

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Network Security

- Computer crime
- Technological proposals and implementations
- Embedding regulation into hard- and software
- Protection against public and private investigation

Other related topics

- Digital libraries
- Preservation of the digital heritage
- e-commerce
- e-government
- e-justice



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- Submission of extended abstracts or full papers 31 January 2010
- Notification of acceptance: 28 February 2010
- Final paper: 31 March 2010 (some extensions may be negotiated)

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AUTHORS

Papers should be of high quality, original, unpublished, and not submitted elsewhere. Prospective authors are invited to submit their draft paper or extended abstract (up to 10 pages) via uploading (conference website, point: SUBMISSION OF CONTRIBUTIONS). The guidelines for the final version are available at <http://www.ocg.at/publikationen/books/paper.html> and via the conference homepage.



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