



המרכז למשפט וטכנולוגיה  
Haifa Center for Law & Technology



## Symposium: Intermediary Liability in the Digital Age: An International Perspective Israel, USA & Germany

May 16, 2012

Auditorium 101, 1st floor, Hatter Student Building

University of Haifa – Faculty of Law

**Academic Organizers:**

**Dr. Khalid Ghanayim, Dr. Tal Zarsky, Haifa University, Faculty of Law**

### **Conference Program:**

**8:30** Registration and Coffee

**9:00** Opening Remarks

**9:15 Panel I:** *Tort Law Doctrine, Libel and the New Intermediaries*

**Moderator:** **Dr. Khalid Ghanayim**, University of Haifa – Faculty of Law

**Dr. Boaz Shnoor**, Center for Law and Business

Intermediaries Liability for Libel - Lessons from Past Developments in Israeli Courts and the Knesset

**Prof. Felix Wu**, YU Cardozo Law School

Collateral Censorship and the Limits of Intermediary Immunity

**Prof. Dr. Matthias Leistner**, University of Bonn

Intermediary Liability: The View of Europe

**10:30** Coffee Break

**10:45 Panel II:** *Intermediation in Practice*

**Moderator:** **Dr. Orna Rabinovich-Einy**, University of Haifa – Faculty of Law

**Adv. David Mirchin**, Meitar, Liquornik Geva & Leshem Brandwein Law Firm

From Theory to Practice: How Actual Internet Intermediary Companies Deal with Liability Issues

**Mr. Shlomo Blass**, CEO – Latma Website

Digital News and Satire in an Intermediated World

**Dr. Per Christiansen**, Senior Research Fellow, Hans-Bredow-Institute, Hamburg

Risk Mitigation Strategies – A View from Germany

**12:00 Keynote I:** *Digital Intermediaries and Free Speech:*

**Prof. Jack M. Balkin**, Yale Law School  
Moderator: **Dr. Daniel Benoliel**, University of Haifa, Faculty of Law

**12:45** Lunch

**13:30 Panel III: *Specific Laws for Specific Cases (Search Engines, Dating Websites, Online Communities, Social Networks)?***

Moderator and Commentator: **Prof. Gad Barzilai**, University of Haifa – Faculty of Law & University of Washington

**Dr. Joris van Hoboken**, Senior Researcher, University of Amsterdam (IVIR):  
Search Engines, Intermediary Liability and Freedom of Expression: A Transatlantic Comparison

Commentator: **Adv. Moran Yemini**, PHD Candidate, University of Haifa – Faculty of Law.

**Ms. Michal Lavi/Dr. Tal Zarsky**, University of Haifa – Faculty of Law  
Online Secondary Liability: A Social Networking Perspective

Commentator: **Prof. Gustavo Mesch**, Dept. of Sociology, University of Haifa

**Dr. Shmuel Becher**, College of Management Law School/**Mr. Itay Krayden**, Meitar, Liquornik Geva & Leshem Brandwein Law Firm  
Regu-dating: The Regulation of Online Dating Sites

**15:30** Coffee Break

**15:45 Panel IV: *The Curious Case of Copyright (and what it might teach us):***

**Prof. Niva Elkin – Koren**, Dean, University of Haifa – Faculty of Law  
After Twenty Years: Copyright Liability of Online Intermediaries

**Dr. Orit Fishman – Afori**, College of Management Law School:  
Indirect Liability in Copyright Law and the Missing Element of Intention

**Dr. Lital Helman**, Columbia Law School  
Secondary Liability for Webhosting

**17:15 Keynote II: *Layered Internet Architecture and Intermediary Liability***

Moderator: **Prof. Jonathan Yovel**, University of Haifa - Faculty of Law  
**Prof. Larry Solum**, Georgetown Law School