

OPEN CALL

Visiting Scholar Fellowships - Cyber Regulatory Research

Call for Applications for the academic year 2015-2016

The **MINERVA CENTER FOR THE RULE OF LAW UNDER EXTREME CONDITIONS** at the Faculty of Law and Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, University of Haifa invites researchers (graduate students at the MA/PhD levels, post-Doctoral researchers, scholars and practitioners) to **submit research proposals on aspects of Cyber Regulation, Policy and Theory**. As part of the Fellowship, Fellows will be provided with working space and accommodation in Haifa for periods of between one to twelve months. It is expected that Fellows will take part in the activities of the Center during their stay. The call is open to both domestic and international applicants. A combination of residency in Haifa (for a minimum of one month) and long distance collaboration will also be considered.

A primary focus of this call is to further expand our understanding of cyber regulation and policy in a wide array of questions, including, *inter alia*, questions of institutional design (who regulates Cyber?), the doctrines governing the regulation of specific sectors, public-private relations in Cyber, the tension between governmental interests and (specific) human rights in Cyber, the possible limits of the rule of law in Cyber, the jurisdictional dilemmas, evidence and procedure in Cyber-related legal disputes, models of promoting innovation in Cyber (and its limits), the challenges of Big Data, and regimes of insurance and compensation for cybercrimes and torts. This list is by no means exhaustive, and other questions are welcome.

Special attention will also be given to theoretical questions, relating to the “essence” of the cybernetic realm, and/or questions relating to Cyber and democratic theory.

The Center has particular (while not exclusive) interest in the following jurisdictions: Australia, Canada, Estonia, France, Germany, India, Israel, Japan, Lithuania, Netherlands, Russian Federation, United Kingdom, and the United States. During 2014-2015, Minerva Center researchers have developed an initial database upon which extensive comparative regulatory research among these twelve countries continues. Attention is also paid to the supranational domain (such as NATO and the EU) as well as to international law.

Fellowship will entail:

- A full Post-doctoral grant – 60,000 NIS (apx. 15,000 US\$) for a full academic year; or
- A research grant towards a full-length law review publication – 25,000-40,000 NIS (apx. 5,000-10,000 US\$); or
- A research grant towards a publication of an essay in a law review – 10,000-25,000 NIS (apx. 2,500-5,000 US\$)

Applications should include:

- A research plan (up to 3 pages), including a description of the research topic, the importance of the proposed research, methodology, and relevance to cyber regulation and policy.
- Preference regarding scope of fellowship: a post-Doc position, a full-length law review article, or a grant towards an essay.
- A curriculum vitae including list of publications if applicable.
- Contact details of three references (written references are an advantage, and must be sent directly to the Center by the referee to the address listed below).
- An indication of the timeframe requested and where the research is to be conducted: solely in Haifa, Israel (preferred) or partially long-distance.

Application deadline: September 10th, 2015

(Earlier submissions are welcome)

Please send applications and questions to:

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