

Staff Seminar

Title: The New Directive on Copyright in the Digital Single Market

Speaker: Prof. Anselm Kamperman Sanders

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Venue : Video Seminar Room [G5353, 5/F, School of Law, Yeung Kin Man Academic Building, City University of Hong Kong]

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Prof. Anselm Kamperman Sanders

Abstract:

The Directive on Copyright in the Digital Single Market 2016/0280(COD), also known as the EU Copyright Directive, is a proposed European Union directive intended to harmonise aspects of the European Union copyright law and moved towards a Digital Single Market. First introduced by the European Parliament Committee on Legal Affairs on 20 June 2018, the directive was approved by the European Parliament on 12 September 2018, and will enter formal Trilogue discussions that are expected to conclude in January 2019. If formalised, each of the EU's member countries would then be required to enact laws to support the directive. Articles 11 and 13 have attracted widespread criticism from European and American parties. Article 11 has been criticised as a "link tax" which would require websites "to obtain a license before linking to news stories", and Article 13 as a "meme ban", on the basis that the content-matching technologies employed to meet its requirements cannot identify fair dealing such as parody. In his speech, Prof. Kamperman Sanders will discuss these issues in detail.

Moderator:

Dr. Tianxiang He, CityU

Guest Discussants:

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