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International experience of legal regulation of the Internet

This article investigates the legal regulation of social relations in Internet. Various approaches and classification peculiarities of legal regulation of the Internet as a technology network and as a special environment in which committed communication are analyzed.

It is determined the leading role of the state in regulating of the Internet and in establishing of legal framework, thus noted the importance of the self-regulating relations.

It is noted that the Internet has no distinct national borders, so the classic form of legal regulation of social relations that arose in the scope of the Internet is no longer effective. Application of legal systems within one country significantly reduces and sometimes makes it impossible to determine jurisdiction of particular transaction. All this has a negative impact on the "virtual environment ", which is often keeps tortuous behavior of individual users that is not compatible with the fundamentals of mankind public morality.

We analyze the notion "Internet governance" in which one can clearly distinguish two components that provide management process in the field of public relations related to the Internet. First, this is the development and application of general principles, norms, rules and decision-making procedures that govern the evolution and use of the Internet by the governments, civil society and the private sector during carrying out their functions, and second - the development and implementation of software for performing Internet government functions.

This article analyzes the activities of the specially empowered authorities that operate in field of keeping the Internet functioning. Corresponding conclusions and recommendations are provided.

**Key words:** Internet, international relations, internet governance, the legal regulation of social relations.