

Criminal Liability for the Dissemination of Illegal Content on the Internet

Abstract

As the title of my work suggests, I deal with the issue of criminal liability for the dissemination of illegal content on the Internet. The work is not generally focused on the mechanism of creating criminal liability or shedding light on the concept of illegal content. However, these topics are defined in the first chapter, along with other concepts related to this work.

The heart of this work is represented by two areas that cover most of the illegal content distributed on the Internet, namely pornography and hate crimes. These areas are the main theme of my work.

The aim of this work is to analyze the issues of these two areas and especially the specifics that are associated with the virtual world. The work deals with both the regulations of European and domestic law, as well as case law. I constantly tried to compose my thoughts in my work, especially in the conclusion, where the *de lege lata* consideration of the criminality of using the so-called reaction buttons on social networks is described. A large part of internet hate speech has moved to them, and I think that this trend will only continue.

The work is divided into four chapters (if I do not count the introduction and conclusion). The first chapter defines the terms that occur in the work. The second provides an overview of cybercrime. The third deals with pornography, which describes the phenomenon of virtual child pornography and the analysis of two major crimes related to pornography and the Internet. At the same time, I included here the relationship between e-mail and the public computer network, as an important platform for the dissemination of pornography. The fourth chapter deals with the Internet and hate crimes. It describes the relationship between the freedom of expression and hatred, manifestations of extremism on the Internet and, last but not least, the already mentioned issue of reaction buttons, including the elaboration of existing case law on this.

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internet, pornography, hate crimes