

**Fachbereich 9 - Medienstudiengänge***Department 9 - Media Courses***Kommentar zur Lehrveranstaltung im WiSe 2021/22***Description of seminars***Veranstalter\*in:** Dr. Dennis Redeker*Lecturer:***Titel (dt.):****Titel (engl.):** Actors and Institutions in Internet Governance**Beschreibung:***Description:*

In this seminar, we explore the multistakeholder governance model employed in the governance of the Internet and study how it works on regional levels, specifically in Europe, Africa and Asia (and the Pacific). In Internet governance, stakeholders such as civil society representatives, companies, public officials and the technical community are debating and influencing important core technologies and applications on the Internet (such as the rules on social media platforms and technical protocols of the Internet). This seminar will be conducted remotely, using Zoom.

After a first introductory session (10 January 2022, 10:00-12:00), the seminar is structured into three highly participatory workshops of seven hours each (10:00-17:00, with breaks and plenty of group work activities) and a shorter final meeting. As part of the first workshop (14 January 2022), we will discuss the scope, institutional diversity and the role of various actors in Internet governance, both using theory and empirical examples. Here, you will learn about the working of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum (IGF), which is one of the central features of multistakeholder Internet governance. During the second workshop (21 January 2022) we will talk about regional IGFs, specifically the African Internet Governance Forum (AfIGF), the Asia Pacific regional IGF (APrIGF), the European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG) and the South Eastern European Dialogue on Internet Governance (SEEDIG). We will be joined by seasoned experts of these regional and of the global Internet Governance Forum, who will provide us with hands-on insights into these fora. In the third workshop (28 January 2022), we will learn how to write and publish articles on Wikipedia. None of the regional Internet fora has an English-language entry in the global encyclopedia yet – which is something we will set out to change. The third day-length workshop will also be used to draft the articles, which you will write in groups and to critically reflect on Wikipedia as a place for knowledge creation and dissemination. The final meeting (4 February 2022, 10:00-12:00) will be used to evaluate the class, to discuss the final assessment and to discuss open questions.

**Literatur:***Literature:*

- Radu, R. (2019). *Negotiating Internet Governance*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Scholte, J. A. (2018). Internet governance. In: Matthias Middell (Ed.) *The Routledge Handbook of Transregional Studies*. London: Routledge, 311-319.