



Stanford Center for Internet and Society (CIS)
Intermediary Liability Focus Area
The Stanford Intermediary Liability Lab

The Stanford Intermediary Liability Lab (SILLab) is a project of the new intermediary liability focus area of the Center for Internet and Society at Stanford Law School, whose core mission you may review at <https://cyberlaw.stanford.edu/focus-areas/intermediary-liability>. The SILLab will serve the goal of allowing the SLS community to share knowledge on intermediary liability related issues, contribute to the creation of an online Intermediary Liability Map, organize conferences and workshops, write blog posts and papers, and reach out to the leading communications intermediaries and other platforms to find ways to work together to promote free speech and innovation on line.

The SILLab will organize bimonthly meetings to achieve these goals. We have set up a mailing list and a Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ILLab> to facilitate group interaction. If you are interested in participating to the activities of the SILLab, please join our Facebook group, provide us with your email address to be included in the mailing list and come to our meetings!

Please email Giancarlo at gcfrosio@law.stanford.edu for any additional information.

The next meeting of the SILLab will take place on Thursday, November 21 at 4pm in room Neukom 104. Join us and get involved with the SILLab!

We have also attached below a lengthier explanation of the SILLab's activities that you may like to review.

(1) The SILLab as a Knowledge Sharing Opportunity

The SILLab meetings are an opportunity to share information on intermediary liability related topics, develop on related recent updates, and brainstorm on

possible challenges and bottlenecks that the legal system or the technology may present with the aim of discussing policy solutions.

In order to do so, (i) group members are encouraged to present updates related to intermediary liability, which may be later turned into blog posts to be published on the CIS website; (ii) guest speakers will join in once in a while, facilitating the discussion on specific topics; (iii) students willing to write a term paper on any subject related with intermediary liability are very welcome to participate and present their papers or the ongoing results of their research; (iv) we will create thematic task forces to deal with specific sub-issues - such as intermediary liability and copyright, trademark, freedom of expression, privacy, defamation, child protection, and obscenity - and discuss and design a set of policy recommendations to be later incorporated into a CIS research output; (v) we aim to be as interdisciplinary as possible, gathering together students from the schools of business, law and engineering with an interest in intermediary liability matters and Internet platforms;

(2) The World Intermediary Liability Map (WILM) Project

The SILLab will also function as an incubator for planning additional activities and projects relevant for the CIS intermediary liability focus area. The World Intermediary Liability Map is one such project, aiming to create a graphic interface for intermediary liability legislation and caselaw worldwide. The project will gather relevant information for each country page by relying on a network of contributors including SLS students, alumni and other international researchers. Any contributors will receive adequate attribution on each relevant country page of the WILM website.

(3) The Global Intermediary Liability Network (GILN) Project

As an additional goal, the SILLab will contribute to create synergies with academic players, civil society organizations and market players with a special interest in intermediary liability. The long term goal is to create a global intermediary liability network. Each participant in the SILLab may become a valuable resource for this project by helping to identify new organizations willing to join in the network.

(4) Intermediary Liability Conference

The SILLab will also work toward the organization of a Conference dedicated to the discussion of intermediary liability related issues by gathering together academics, governmental officers, judges, market players, legal practitioners and users.