

Internet Governance and the Information Society: Global Perspectives and European Dimensions

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This book brings together presentations delivered at two workshops organized at the University of Graz in the framework of a project on the role of multi-stakeholder participation for the implementation of human rights approaches in a connected world.

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