

Introduction

Liability has been a strong focus area for ISPA and in recent times the group has been used to coordinate work across liability, safety and communications data. The pressures on online intermediaries continue to grow, not least from Europe through the Digital Single Market, and Brexit opens up opportunities for the UK regulatory regime to be reviewed and strengthened. These areas include issues where it is often very possible for industry to agree clear positions.

Topics/Themes

The main areas for ISPA to focus on are:

- Online Safety – age verification, CSAM, children and the internet etc.
- Copyright infringement – future copyright regime post Brexit, active monitoring, notice and action, IPO engagement etc.
- 'Policing the internet' – extremist content, filtering, harassment, etc.

Objectives

- Ensure the implementation of upcoming legislation is proportionate and does not negatively impact members.
- Lobby to ensure that the copyright regime post-Brexit works for members, including lobbying for the best bits of the current regime are kept.
- Curb move towards ISPs being expected to be judge and jury of online content, establishing messaging which reflects the membership and the fact this is not their responsibility.

Upcoming Developments

- The Digital Economy Bill.
- Copyright in the DSM.
- E-Privacy Regulation.
- Children & the Internet report published.
- Brexit negotiations.