

The Internet Research Fair

Stimulating academia to uncover the Internet's unknowns

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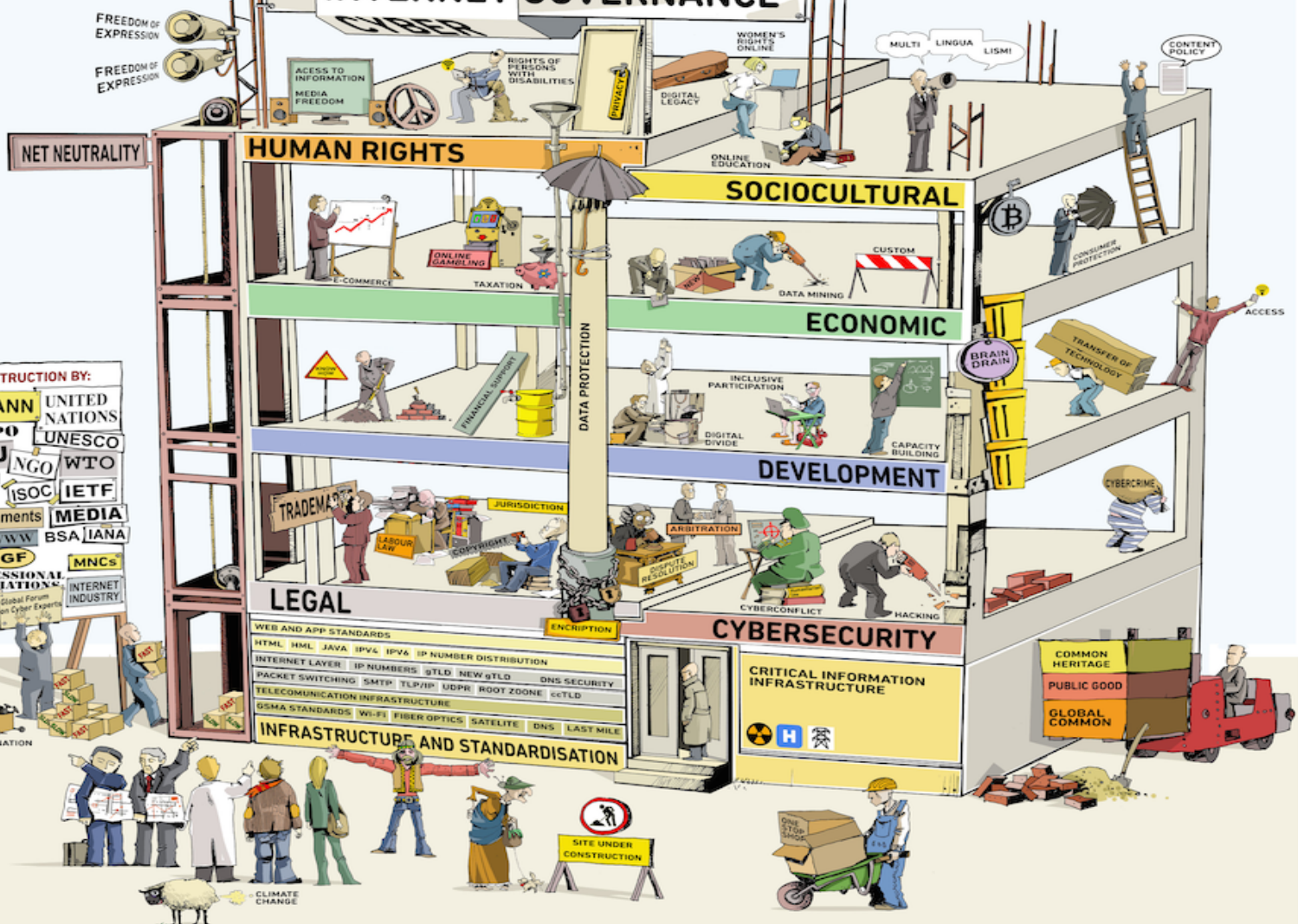
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 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
 ACCESS TO INFORMATION
 RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
 WOMEN'S RIGHTS ONLINE
 MULTI-LINGUALISM
 CONTENT POLICY

The Internet affects society in all its dimensions. Yet, we do not see extensive research yet on the Internet's effects on society. The complexity of today's global challenges asks for interdisciplinary cooperation to better understand these effects and craft ways to capture the Internet's potential while containing its threats.

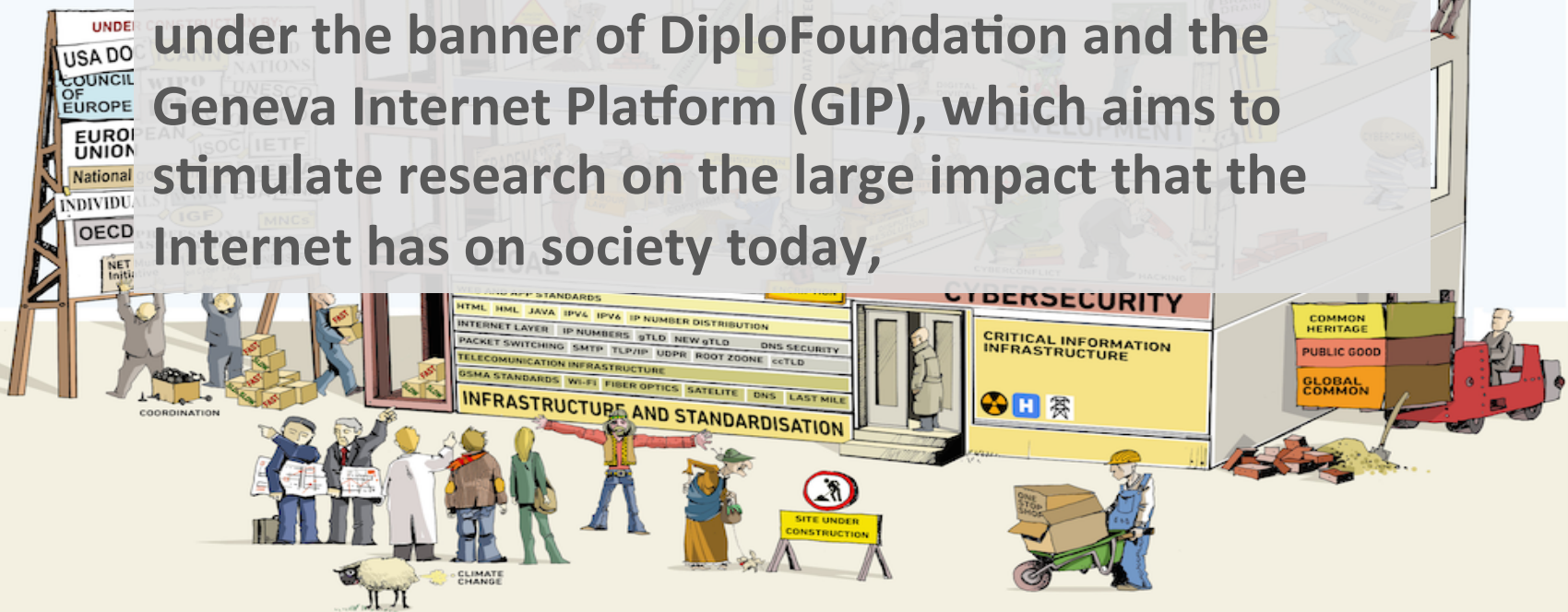




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New generations of students need to respond to the emerging multidisciplinary challenges of the Internet's impact on modern society. The Internet Research Fair is an awareness-raising initiative under the banner of DiploFoundation and the Geneva Internet Platform (GIP), which aims to stimulate research on the large impact that the Internet has on society today,



IG capacity building – lessons learned

We believe that good capacity development support

- goes far **beyond training**
- recognises the complexity of processes which it aims to influence and the need for multiple knowledges (topical, political, societal, traditional, etc.);
- provides practical and immersion opportunities to help participants bridge the gap between theory and practice; and
- requires a large component of **communication and follow-up** to foster the emergence of vibrant and self-sufficient networks.

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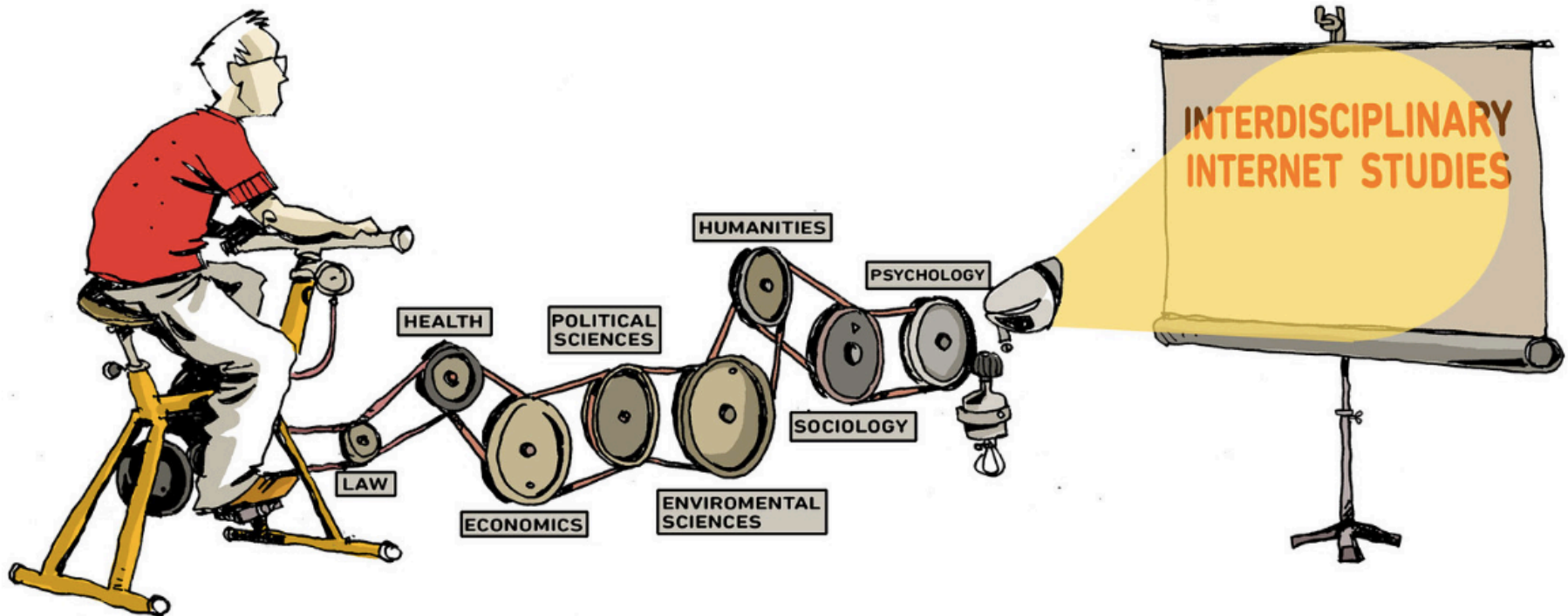
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Aims

- Closing the gap between the high relevance of the Internet for society and the limited research available
- Raise awareness among students and researchers about the Internet's unknowns
- Connect various academic fields
- Create a community of students and academics interested in multidisciplinary Internet research

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Sociology

VIRTUAL COMMUNITIES

The Internet has changed the way we talk to each other. We can now communicate with people from all over the world. This has led to the formation of virtual communities. These are groups of people who interact with each other online. They can be based on shared interests, hobbies, or even just the fact that they live in the same geographical area. Virtual communities can provide a sense of belonging and support, but they can also be a source of isolation and loneliness.

SOCIAL INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL EXCLUSION

While the Internet is a powerful tool for communication, it is not equally accessible to everyone. People with disabilities, low income, or limited digital skills may be excluded from the benefits of the Internet. This digital divide can exacerbate existing social inequalities and lead to social exclusion. It is important to ensure that everyone has access to the Internet and the skills to use it effectively.

PRIVACY IN THE DIGITAL ERA

The Internet is a double-edged sword when it comes to privacy. On the one hand, it allows us to share information and connect with others. On the other hand, it also allows us to be tracked and monitored. Our online activities are often recorded and stored, which can be used for targeted advertising, surveillance, or even identity theft. It is important to be aware of our privacy settings and to take steps to protect our personal information.

CONSUMERISM

The Internet has made it easier than ever to buy and sell goods and services. This has led to a surge in online shopping and e-commerce. While this has provided convenience and a wider range of choices, it has also contributed to the growth of consumerism. The ease of purchasing goods online can lead to impulse buying and excessive spending. It is important to be mindful of our consumption habits and to support ethical and sustainable businesses.

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Law

INTERNATIONAL LAW OF CYBERSPACE

The Internet is a global network that crosses national borders. This has led to the development of international law of cyberspace. This area of law deals with the legal issues that arise from the use of the Internet, such as jurisdiction, liability, and the protection of personal data. It is a complex and rapidly evolving field that requires cooperation between countries.

HUMAN RIGHTS

The Internet has become a powerful tool for promoting and protecting human rights. It allows people to share information, organize protests, and hold governments accountable. However, it can also be used to spread hate speech, harass individuals, and violate privacy. It is important to ensure that the Internet is used in a way that respects and promotes human rights.

COPYRIGHT

The Internet has challenged the traditional concept of copyright. Digital technologies have made it easy to copy and distribute content without the permission of the creator. This has led to a loss of revenue for artists and creators, and has raised questions about the future of intellectual property. It is important to find a balance between protecting the rights of creators and promoting the free flow of information.

LABOUR LAW

The Internet has created new types of jobs and work arrangements, such as gig economy and remote work. This has led to new challenges for labour law, such as the classification of workers and the protection of their rights. It is important to ensure that all workers are treated fairly and that their rights are protected.

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Humanities

ONLINE PUBLISHING AND VIRTUAL ARCHIVES

The Internet has revolutionized the way we publish and access information. Online publishing allows authors and publishers to reach a global audience instantly. Virtual archives preserve digital content for future generations, ensuring that important historical and cultural information is not lost. This has opened up new opportunities for research and discovery.

DIGITAL STORYTELLING

The Internet has become a platform for digital storytelling. This is the use of digital technologies to create and share stories. Digital storytelling can be used for education, entertainment, and social activism. It allows people to tell their stories in a way that is engaging and interactive.

INTERNET AND THE CREATIVE SECTOR

The Internet has had a profound impact on the creative sector. It has provided a platform for independent artists and creators to share their work. It has also led to the rise of new creative industries, such as digital art and virtual reality. However, it has also led to challenges for traditional creative industries, such as the music and film industries. It is important to explore the opportunities and challenges of the Internet for the creative sector.

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Health

PUBLIC HEALTH

The Internet has become a powerful tool for public health. It allows health organizations to disseminate information, monitor disease outbreaks, and promote healthy behaviors. Social media can be used to reach large numbers of people and to engage them in health-related activities. However, it can also be used to spread misinformation and health-related rumors. It is important to use the Internet responsibly for public health purposes.

ILLEGAL PROMOTION AND SALE OF MEDICINES

The Internet has made it easier than ever to buy and sell medicines. This has led to the rise of illegal online pharmacies that sell counterfeit and unsafe medicines. These medicines can be harmful to people's health and can also be a source of financial loss. It is important to be cautious when buying medicines online and to report any suspicious activity to the authorities.

CYBERMEDICINE

Cybermedicine is the use of digital technologies in healthcare. This includes telemedicine, which allows doctors to consult with patients remotely, and digital health tools, such as mobile apps and wearable devices. Cybermedicine has the potential to improve access to healthcare and to reduce costs. However, it also raises concerns about data security and privacy. It is important to ensure that cybermedicine is used in a safe and effective way.

ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS

Electronic health records (EHRs) are digital versions of a patient's medical history. They contain information about a patient's diagnoses, treatments, and test results. EHRs can be used to improve the quality of care and to reduce medical errors. However, they also raise concerns about data security and privacy. It is important to ensure that EHRs are protected and that patients have control over their own health information.

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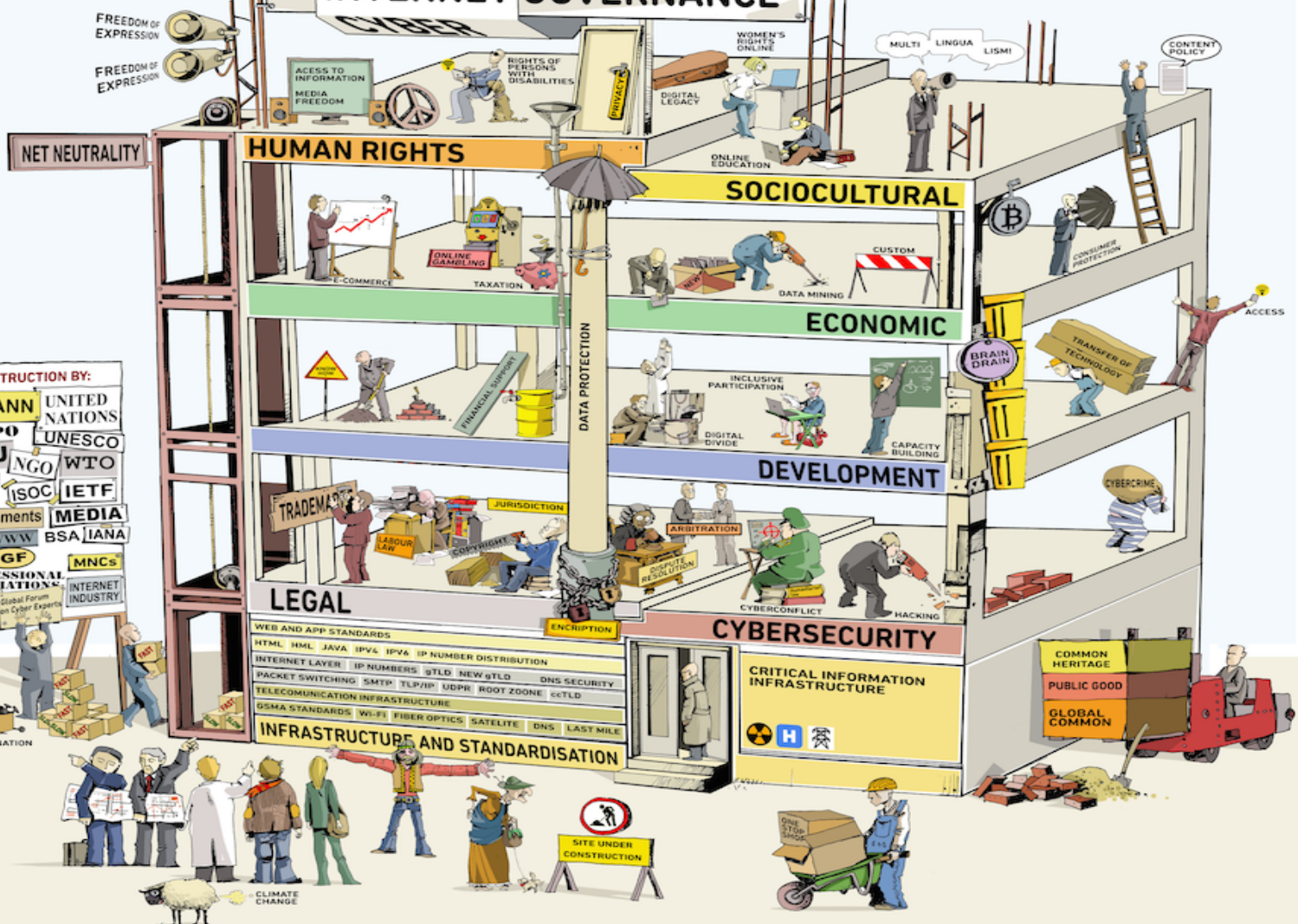
Internet Research Fair – Internet & Society, Internet & Academia

Internet & Society Day

- The Internet and Scientific Research
 - How the Internet changed communication studies
 - How the Internet changed both the subject and methods of Humanities
 - How the Internet changed both the way science is done (and studied)
- The Internet and the Role of Academia
 - How the Internet changed (and will change) scientific communication
 - How the Internet has shaped the public debate about science
 - How the Internet allows everybody to help out scientists



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