GIP● Global Internet Policy Observatory

The Internet is increasingly shaping daily life across the world. How do we manage this precious, global resource that directly impacts our present and future economic and social opportunities?

How does the Observatory Tool work?

1 Go to:
http://observatory.giponet.org

2 Launch a search.

3 Select your topic (for example human rights or economy).

4 Get a list of papers, legal documents and studies related to the Internet and your topic.

? Do you notice a source of information that you think the tool should consider?

! Submit that source and help others get better and more complete information.

The Global Internet Policy Observatory (GIPO), an initiative of the European Commission, is an online tool to help monitor developments on Internet policy around the world and provide better understanding and access to the largest number of potential stakeholders. Governments, NGOs and others interested in Internet Governance, including Internet users, are often daunted by the complexity of this fast-paced policy area.

Thanks to the use of advanced IT technologies, GIPO provides a practical tool to navigate this field, increasing expertise and understanding among many more interested actors.

The tool has a dashboard which helps you to:

- Spot the burning issues of the day.
- Search for topics of your interest.
- See in which countries and regions your topics are unfolding most often at the moment of your search.

You can connect the tool to your website!

- Use RSS feeds and the GIPO API and customise GIPO functionalities according to your interests.
- It will automatically collect, analyse and process information from webpages and social media platforms (including documents, spreadsheets, videos and tweets) and display it directly on your website.
- It will classify the information for maximum relevancy and return it for further reuse.

Check how it works in practice!

The African Civil Society on the Information Society (ACSIS) used the GIPO dashboard and customised it on their website to monitor Internet governance and policy in Africa.

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