

The DNS and children's rights

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1. The Domain Name System is a key part of the infrastructure of the internet
2. It is managed by ICANN with Registrars and Registries as the principal actors
3. High volumes of child sex abuse images on the internet attributable to failures to police the DNS, particularly in respect of the ownership details of web sites
4. Only 23% of ownership details accurate i.e. accuracy the exception rather than the rule
5. Self-regulatory initiatives by banking, insurance and pharmaceuticals show an alternative