

# Editorial

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Issue 28 of the *Internet, Derecho y Política* journal contains six articles that are based on speeches delivered at the 2018 IDP International Congress on “Collaborative economy: Challenges & Opportunities”, organised by the Faculty of Law and Political Science of the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya on 21 and 22 June 2018.

The first of these articles, entitled “Trabajo en plataformas: innovaciones jurídicas para unos desafíos crecientes” (‘Working on platforms: legal innovations for growing challenges’), by Miguel Rodríguez-Piñero Royo, describes the challenges that the emergence of platforms for the exchange of goods and services has meant for the Labour Law. Next, the article “Economía colaborativa e innovación tecnológica en el transporte urbano de viajeros en automóviles de turismo” (‘Collaborative economy and technological innovation in urban passenger transport in passenger cars’), by Marc Tarrés, studies the current situation of urban passenger transport in passenger cars from a legal perspective. Anna Ginès i Fabrellas, meanwhile, studies the risks and opportunities of the provision of services under a zero-hour contract in her article entitled “The zero-hour contract in platform work. Should we ban it or embrace it?” Fourth, in the article “Consumers contracting with other consumers in the sharing economy: fill in the gaps in the legal framework to switch to the blockchain model”, Jacquemin Hervé highlights the problems in the context of consumer protection in contracts entered into with professionals in digital environments. Next, José Ignacio Cubero Marcos, in his article “Alojamientos vacaciones: hacia un equilibrio entre el control administrativo y la libertad de empresa” (‘Holiday accommodation: towards a balance between administrative control and freedom of enterprise’), addresses the legal problems arising from the supply of tourist accommodation. The last article, by Eugenio Moya, is entitled “Swarm intelligence, política y verdad” (‘Swarm intelligence, politics and truth’).

Besides these six articles, this issue also publishes three other articles on different aspects of the impact of information and communication technologies in the field of Law. One such example is Bernardo Olivares Olivares’ analysis of “La eficacia del listado de incumplidores relevantes a la Hacienda Pública” (‘The effectiveness of the list of non-compliers relevant to Public Finance’), written from a tax perspective. Berta Esteve, meanwhile, in her article entitled “El geobloqueo en el mercat: conseqüències i prediccions” (‘Geo-blocking in the market: consequences and predictions’), studies this commercial practice in digital content and products. The last of these articles, Marina Vega Maza’s piece entitled “El auge del *blockchain*

y sus posibilidades reales de aplicación en los registros de las administraciones públicas" ('The blockchain boom and its real possibilities of application in the records of Public Administrations'), explains the different ways in which it works, while extracting its main implications and the challenges under the current legal framework.

This issue is capped off with a run-through of regulatory news, written by Jordi García Albero, and also includes reviews of the latest academic dissemination activities, organised by the UOC's Faculty of Law and Political Science.

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