Issue No 20 of the Revista de Internet, Derecho y Política (Journal of Internet, Law and Politics) contains a monograph on open government and politics 2.0 that addresses some topical issues related to the use of information and communications technology in the field of politics.

Specifically, the following articles are included in this monograph: “China and the Fifth Estate: Net delusion or Democratic Potential?”, by William H. Dutton, Sun Huan and Weiwei Shen; “El impacto de las redes sociales digitales en las administraciones locales. Mitos y realidades en el caso español” (The impact of online social networks in local government. Myths and realities in the Spanish case), by J. Ignacio Criado and Francisco Rojas-Martín; “A Network Analysis of Online Audience Behaviour: Towards a Better Comprehension of the Agenda Setting Process”, by Silvia Majó-Vazquez; and “Political Polarisation and Network Leaderships in the Catalan Parliamentarians’ Twitter network”, by Rosa Borge Bravo y Marc Esteve del Valle.

Moreover, this issue also includes other articles. First, Aura Esther Vilalta’s article “La formación del experto mediador y los estándares de calidad. Particularidades que imprime el entorno electrónico” (The training of experts in mediation and quality standards. Peculiarities impressed by the electronic environment) analyses the key factors of training mediators based on quality standards to ensure excellence in their professional activity.

Second, “Nueva regulación del IVA en el comercio electrónico” (New EU e-commerce VAT regulations) by Ana Maria Delgado García and Rafael Oliver Cuello analyses the new rules introduced by Law 28/2014, of 27 November regarding value added tax: on the one hand, the new rules for the location of telecommunications services, radio and television broadcasting and electronically supplied services; and, on the other hand, two optional new special VAT schemes.

And last, Raquel Xalabarder’s “La reforma del artículo 32 del TRLPI: una reforma explosiva, injustificada y doblemente inútil” (The reform of article 32 TRLPI: an explosive, unjustified and doubly useless reform) focuses on the reform of Article 32 of the Industrial Property Act consolidated by Law 21/2014 regarding the aggregation of online news and educational and research purposes.
This issue also includes both regulatory developments prepared by Jordi García Albero, and a review of recent judicial rulings drafted by Patricia Escribano Tortajada. The issue also includes reviews of the latest dissemination activities organised by the Studies of Law and Politics of the UOC: Conference on Labour and Social Security Law: 1994–2014: twenty years of reform of the Statute of workers; Conference on mediator training and quality standards; 5th Working Day on Criminology: Violence in the family. Intervention of the criminal justice system; Conference on the Law of transparency, access to public information and good government of Catalonia; and the First Working Day on Legal Culture.

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