



Cyberwar

The Digital Front – An Attack on Freedom and Democracy?

Cyberattacks happen on a daily basis and expose national security. How safe is our energy and water supply, and how safe are we from Internet attacks, cybercrime and espionage? In the Web, national borders blur. Who or what can protect us from anonymous attackers or the „warzone Internet“?

„**Cyberwar: The Digital Front – An Attack on Freedom and Democracy?**“ – This is the title of our **second e-journal-issue** of „**Ethics and Armed Forces**“. Authors from all around the globe discuss this complex and controversial topic. Dr. Sandro Gaycken demands entirely new computer systems from a security ethics perspective, Dr. Annegret Bendiek from the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) calls for new global regulations and Dinah PoKempner of Human Rights Watch warns against the militarization of the Internet. And what do International Humanitarian Law and ethics have to say about this? Renowned authors such as George R. Lucas, Jr. – president of the International Society for Military Ethics (ISME) – take a stand.

Also, in our „**Hacker-Hype**“-special „**Cybersecurity in Germany – Myth and Reality**“, we present interviews with the hacker Felix FX Lindner and Michael Hange, speaker of the German Cyber Defense Center and president of the German Federal Office for Information Security. They point at the huge number of cyberattacks that happen every day. Felix FX Lindner emphasizes the exposure of national security by Google and an irresponsible handling of IT security in general.

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