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**WORKSHOP ON THE FUTURE OF BROADBAND REGULATION**

**AT FCC MAY 29-30, 2014**

Washington, D.C. – The Institute for Information Policy (IIP) of Pennsylvania State University and the Federal Communications Commission are co-sponsoring a by-invitation workshop on the Future of Broadband Regulation, to be held at FCC headquarters on May 29-30, 2014. IIP organized the workshop and selected (via a public Call for Papers) the academic and government experts who will present research “work-in-progress” to their fellow participants for discussion and critique.

Revised and completed papers may be submitted for publication to the J*ournal of Information Policy*. The workshop program and abstracts of the papers to be presented will be available at <http://iip.comm.psu.edu/> on May 22, 2014.

The workshop will open with a public plenary session in the FCC Meeting Room from 8:45-10:00 AM on Thursday May 29. Senior FCC management and other representatives will review some of the policy challenges that the transition to a ubiquitous IP-based broadband network poses.

The workshop will afford FCC staff an opportunity to learn about current academic research and to highlight for the academics issues and questions that might be suitable for further research. The workshop paper presentations will be made in a small-group format. Although space is quite limited, those wishing to observe the academic discussions will be accommodated on a space available basis.

In order to foster a candid discussion of work at an early stage of development, the workshop sessions will be conducted under the “Chatham House Rule” (participants are free to use information received in the meeting but may not reveal the identity or affiliation of any speaker or other participant), except to the extent required for adherence to the FCC’s *ex* parte regulations. Interested parties should contact the organizers at [pennstateiip@psu.edu](mailto:pennstateiip@psu.edu) by May 20, 2014 and will be notified of space availability by May 22, 2014.

The meeting site is fully accessible to people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids.  Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request.  Include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you if we need more information.  Make your request as early as possible.  Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an email to: [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

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