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**THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL ANNOUNCES PANELIST**

**INFORMATION FOR OPEN INTERNET ROUNDTABLE**

**GN Docket No. 14-28**

The Office of General Counsel of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) provides panelist names and other information about the final event in the Open Internet roundtable series: “Internet Openness and the Law” which will take place on October 7, 2014.[[1]](#footnote-1)

 **“INTERNET OPENNESS AND THE LAW”**

**Agenda**

9:00 – 9:15 am **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

9:15 – 10:45 am **Roundtable 1: Sources of Legal Authority**

*This roundtable will discuss the sources of authority on which the Commission could ground Open Internet rules, including a range of approaches relying on Section 706, Title II, and other possible sources of authority.*

 *Panelists:*

 **Mark Cooper,** Director of Research, Consumer Federation of America

 **Gus Hurwitz**, Assistant Professor of Law, Nebraska College of Law

 **Pantelis Michalopoulos**, Partner, Steptoe & Johnson LLP

 **Thomas Navin,** Partner, Wiley Rein LLP

 **Nuala O’Connor**, President and CEO, Center for Democracy and Technology

 **Tim Wu**, Professor of Law, Columbia Law School

 *Moderators:*

 **Jonathan Sallet**, General Counsel, FCC

**Stephanie Weiner**, Special Advisor to the Chairman on Internet Law and Policy & Associate General Counsel, FCC

11:00 am – 12:30 pm **Roundtable 2: Construction of Legally Sustainable Rules**

*This roundtable will consider additional legal issues, including constitutional considerations, the nature of common-carriage regulation, and approaches to agency rulemaking and adjudication using tools like prescriptive rules, legal standards, prohibitions, and presumptions to protect and promote Internet openness.*

 *Panelists:*

**Marvin Ammori**, Fellow, New America Foundation

**Anne Boyle**, Commissioner, Nebraska Public Service Commission

**Fred Campbell**, Director, Center for Boundless Innovation in Technology

**Julia Johnson**, Chair, Minority Media & Telecommunications Council

**Tejas Narechania**, Julius Silver Research Fellow, Columbia Law School

**John Windhausen, Jr.**, President, Telepoly Consulting

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**Attendance and Participation**: The roundtable will be free and open to the public, and the FCC also will stream them live at <http://www.fcc.gov/live>. The location of the roundtable will be the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305), 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20554. The FCC will make available an overflow room for those in-person attendees who cannot be accommodated in the Commission Meeting Room. We advise persons planning to attend the roundtable in person to leave sufficient time to enter through building security.

The FCC encourages members of the public to submit suggested questions in advance and during the roundtable by email to roundtables@fcc.gov or on Twitter using the hashtag #FCCRoundtables. Please note that by submitting a question, you will be making a filing in an official FCC proceeding. All information submitted, including names, addresses, and other personal information contained in the message, may be publicly available online.

Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. The request should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed and contact information. We ask that requests for accommodations be made as soon as possible in order to allow the agency to satisfy such requests whenever possible. Send an email to [fcc504@fcc.gov](fcc504%40fcc.gov%20) or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

For additional information about this roundtable on Internet Openness and the Law, please contactAndrew Erber, Office of General Counsel, at (202) 418-0678 (voice) or Andrew.Erber@fcc.gov (email).

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1. This roundtable was previously announced in a Public Notice. *See FCC Announces Series of Open Internet Roundtable Discussions*, GN Docket No. 14-28, Public Notice, DA 14-1152 (rel. Aug. 8, 2014). At that time, it was unclear whether the roundtable would be a “meeting” of the Commission. 47 C.F.R. § 0.601(b). As such, that Public Notice was not published in the Federal Register. *See id.* § 0.605(b). This Public Notice shall serve as notice that a quorum of Commissioners may be present at the roundtable, in compliance with Part 0, Subpart F of the Commission’s rules. This Public Notice does not, however, change the “permit-but-disclose” status of the *Open Internet* proceeding under the Commission’s *ex parte* rules. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)