



The Software & Information Industry Association's

Digital Policy Roundup

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Policy Calendar

April 28-29

[Workshop on Web Tracking and User Privacy](#)

May 2

Hearing on ICANN with a focus on the new gTLD issues
House Judiciary Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet

May 3

SIIA IP Policy Committee Meeting

May 11

Deadline for registering for Copyright Office Meeting
Technical Aspects of Mandatory Deposit of Published Electronic Works Available Only Online

May 11

[SIIA Government Affairs Council Meeting](#)
Featuring FTC Commissioner Julie Brill

May 24

[Copyright Office Public Meeting](#)
Technical Aspects of Mandatory Deposit of Published Electronic Works Available Only Online

May 26

SIIA Copyright Protection Committee (CPC) Meeting in San Francisco, CA

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The U.S. Congress is on recess this week, following a budget vote that featured a shutdown-avoiding final FY2011 appropriations bill. The FY2012 budget proposal that cut trillions of entitlement spending, however, the budget is likely to dominate the federal legislative calendar.

Ed-Tech Government Forum held in Washington, DC

The averted government shutdown ensured that SIIA's annual [Forum](#) took place as planned. SIIA brought more than 100 education leaders to Washington, DC for discussions with key education leaders on policy issues, and policies on the school software market. Attendees networked with national education leaders, and took advocacy visits to do so.

Among the highlights were remarks by Senator Patty Murray and U.S. Education Secretary Duncan's Chief of Staff Jo Ann Meyer. Session presentations and session summaries will be [archived](#). [Washington, DC: School Technology \(and Technology\) was being cut](#), SIIA and Senator Patty Murray discussed how federal school technology grants helped transform schools.

ICANN releases new Guidebook

In other news, ICANN released a new version of the Draft Guidebook, continuing the debate over the rollout of new generic top level domains. The Guidebook can be found [here](#). The public comment period is open, and SIIA is working on comments through its constituency process for Accountability.

Administration releases NSTIC

On Friday, April 15, the Administration released its [National Initiative on Cybersecurity \(NSTIC\)](#). This "private sector-led effort to build infrastructure for the Internet, built on interoperable, private sector credentials," was released in conjunction with an event at the White House. The lead Administration agency is the National Institute of Standards and Technology, which announced at the same time that it will be moving forward with its work on Trusted ID in the coming months.

Web Tracking and User Privacy Workshop to be held

On April 28 and 29, W3C will hold a workshop on Web Tracking and User Privacy in Princeton, New Jersey. Experts from academia, industry, and government will discuss the role of anti-tracking technology to preserve user privacy. The agenda can be found [here](#). SIIA's Director of Public Policy

