Record Nr. UNINA9910781391003321 **Titolo** The offensive Internet [[electronic resource]]: privacy, speech, and reputation / / edited by Saul Levmore and Martha C. Nussbaum Pubbl/distr/stampa Cambridge, MA,: Harvard University Press, 2010 **ISBN** 0-674-05876-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (312 p.) Altri autori (Persone) LevmoreSaul X NussbaumMartha Craven <1947-> Disciplina 343.7309/944 Soggetti Internet - Law and legislation - United States Libel and slander - United States Privacy, Right of - United States Reputation (Law) - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. ""Contents""; ""Introduction""; ""I. The Internet and Its Problems""; ""1. Nota di contenuto Speech, Privacy, and Reputation on the Internet""; ""2. Civil Rights in Our Information Age""; ""3. The Interneta€?s Anonymity Problem""; ""4. Objectification and Internet Misogyny""; ""II. Reputation""; ""5. Believing False Rumors""; ""6. Reputation Regulation: Disclosure and the Challenge of Clandestinely Commensurating Computing"; ""7. Youthful Indiscretion in an Internet Age""; ""8. Academic Administrators and the Challenge of Social-Networking Website""; ""III. Speech"" ""9. Cleaning Cyber-Cesspools: Google and Free Speech""""10. Privacy, the First Amendment, and the Internet""; ""11. Foul Language: Some Ruminations on Cohen v. California""; ""IV. Privacy""; ""12. Collective Privacy""; ""13. Privacy on Social Networks: Norms, Markets, and Natural Monopoly""; ""Notes""; ""Contributors""; ""Index"" The Internet has been romanticized as a zone of freedom. The alluring Sommario/riassunto combination of sophisticated technology with low barriers to entry and instantaneous outreach to millions of users has mesmerized libertarians and communitarians alike. Lawmakers have joined the celebration, passing the Communications Decency Act, which enables

Internet Service Providers to allow unregulated discourse without

danger of liability, all in the name of enhancing freedom of speech. But an unregulated Internet is a breeding ground for offensive conduct. At last we have a book that begins to focus on abuses made possible by anonymity, freedom from liability, and lack of oversight. The distinguished scholars assembled in this volume, drawn from law and philosophy, connect the absence of legal oversight with harassment and discrimination. Questioning the simplistic notion that abusive speech and mobocracy are the inevitable outcomes of new technology, they argue that current misuse is the outgrowth of social, technological, and legal choices. Seeing this clearly will help us to be better informed about our options. In a field still dominated by a frontier perspective, this book has the potential to be a real game changer. Armed with example after example of harassment in Internet chat rooms and forums, the authors detail some of the vile and hateful speech that the current combination of law and technology has bred. The facts are then treated to analysis and policy prescriptions. Read this book and you will never again see the Internet through rosecolored glasses.