

Politics of Internet voting

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Abstract

Since 2005, Estonians have had the ability to cast their votes remotely over the Internet. Several other countries have trialed Internet voting at the regional or local level, including the U.S., Canada, and Switzerland. While Internet voting entails unique challenges in terms of electoral integrity, it also promises a series of significant benefits, including a radical reduction in transaction costs, increased accessibility for the disabled and elderly, the pre-emption of voter errors that lead to the invalidation of ballots, and reductions in the cost of electoral administration. However, systematic empirical evidence on the effects of Internet voting on turnout, voter errors, and other electoral outcomes remains scarce. This panel welcomes both single case and comparative studies shedding new light on the political implications of Internet voting and, more generally, the keys to successful implementation of online voting in real-world elections. Interdisciplinary paper proposals (e.g. with computer science) are explicitly encouraged.

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