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Non-use of digital technologies and regulation

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This volume of the Białystok Legal Studies journal is devoted to the non-use of digital technologies and the protection of such non-use by law as well as other means of regulation (cf. e.g., Lessig, 2006, p. 123). We consider here all genres of technology – be they already established, or new and/or emerging (e.g., the Internet, artificial intelligence (AI), etc.) – that are somewhat digital (as opposed to the analogue). We consider here all means of regulation (e.g., Lessig’s rulemaking, market, norms and architecture/code), including all branches of law (e.g., fundamental/human rights, public international law, data protection, financial regulation, competition/antitrust). As the contemporary ubiquity of these technologies leaves little if no choice for individuals whether to use them, our interest in legal and other regulatory means to protect their non-use (cf. e.g., Kloza, 2024) merits both academic and professional attention.

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