

A Two Part Definition

First *descriptive* sentence:

Internet governance means the collective rules, procedures, and related programs intended to shape social actors' expectations, practices, and interactions concerning Internet infrastructure and transactions and content.

Second *prescriptive* sentence:

To the extent possible/as appropriate etc, Internet governance should be multilateral, transparent and democratic, with the full and balanced involvement of governments, the private sector, civil society and international organizations. It should encompass both technical and public policy aspects, ensure an equitable distribution of resources, facilitate access for all, and maintain the stable and secure functioning of the Internet, taking into account multilingualism.