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Personal and Digital Data: Who Owns What?

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Nowadays, the legal nature of personal data remains hotly debated. The possibility to extend the legal regime of ownership to personal data is widely discussed. Some scholars believe it is possible to monetize personal data and treat it as a commodity as it has obvious economic value. However, there are strong arguments on behalf of the inalienability of personal data, which brings opinions on the impossibility to cover personal data with the legal regime of ownership. At the same time the development of information technologies brought the appearance of a new concept – digital data, which is tend to be treated as property. Consequently, the Seminar deals with the question how personal and digital data are correlated and which legal provisions should be applied in each case.