

## APPROACHING TECHNOLOGY AS A MATERIAL SOURCE OF LAW

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**ABSTRACT:** *Present times are, without any doubt, of great transitions and of extremely rapid changes of social, economic, human and legal values. These changes appear at local, regional, national but especially global level, in all fields of concern for a human community, at both collective and individual level. These having been accepted, law represents an interesting field to study the phenomenon of change for it has links to all other social areas. By material „source of law” the doctrine of law understands the extra-legal ensemble that founds the construction and configuration of law in actu, comprising the natural and social existence conditions of the human macro-community. The differentiation process of social subsystems, due to the on-going rapid present pace of changes, forces the legal system to react to these rapid developments. However, law is a rather rigid and comparatively slow structure reported to the flexibility and speediness of other social subsystems, for example the scientific one or the economic one. We try to highlight, in our paper, how much technology, as one of the more recent material legal sources, influences law.*

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