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This study examines the proliferation of the Internet in public administrative praxis in Romania, and aims to identify the extent to which the municipal authorities in Romania deliver on their transparency and responsibility in discharging their duties. We believe that our study makes a significant practical contribution because our results will encourage competition between municipalities, ultimately benefitting the citizens.

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