

*Fourth Edition*

# LAWTOMATION

Technology and (Dis)Trust  
AI between confidence and controversy

# DAYS



2 and 3 October 2025



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CONFERENCE AGENDA

# Technology and (Dis)Trust

## AI between confidence and controversy

As technology shifts the focus from retrospective justice to preemptive control, from deliberation to optimization, and from state power to private influence, trust becomes an ever more contested terrain—at once constructed, eroded and renegotiated across multiple domains of law.

**This year, the fourth edition of the IE Lawtomatic Days seeks to explore the effectiveness and limits of regulation through the lens of trust.** How can legal frameworks sustain trustworthiness in AI-driven decision-making and digital governance? How can law not only inform automation but also ensure faith in the institutions and mechanisms it establishes? Is law the most appropriate tool to build trust, or should other mechanisms, such as ethics, corporate responsibility and technical safeguards, play a greater role in fostering confidence in digital ecosystems?

**The two-day conference will feature inspiring keynote speeches, panel discussions and opportunities for networking and cross-generational and cross-disciplinary exchange, including chilling social events.** Over the years, the IE Lawtomatic Days have become a flagship initiative in the international community, known for their high-quality contributions, friendly atmosphere, collegial environment and the richness of intellectual exchanges.

## Thursday, October 2

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| 13:00 – 14:00                                                             | Registration & coffee ☞                                                                                          |
| IE Tower – FLOOR 24 (IE Club)                                             |                                                                                                                  |
| 14:00 – 15:15                                                             | Keynote speeches 💬                                                                                               |
| IE Tower – FLOOR 24 (IE Club)                                             | <a href="#">Zoom link</a> 🔗                                                                                      |
| » <b>Fernando Pastor</b><br>Vice-Dean, IE University Law School           | Welcome address                                                                                                  |
| » <b>Francisco de Elizalde</b><br>Lawtomatic, IE University Law School    | Intro                                                                                                            |
| » <b>Michèle Finck</b><br>University of Tübingen                          | <i>The AI Act as deregulation:<br/>a constitutional perspective on<br/>the EU regulatory approach towards AI</i> |
| » <b>Veena B. Dubal</b><br>University of California, Irvine School of Law | <i>Data Rights at Work:<br/>A Comparative Perspective</i>                                                        |
| » <b>Antonio Aloisi</b><br>Lawtomatic, IE University Law School           | Chair                                                                                                            |

ROOM T-09.06

*Competition law, reimagined*

**Jan-Frederick Göhsl**

University of Münster

How the AI Act's effect on innovation may undermine its potential for effective risk regulation – A look at the interplay between market concentration and risk regulation

**Valeria Caforio**

Università degli Studi di Milano Bicocca

Algorithmic collusion in EU competition law: decoding the puzzle

**Kevin Armand Laurent**

HESS/ENS Paris/Nanterre University & Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas

From regulating data to regulating by data: AI, trust, and the algorithmic enclosure of economic regulation in the age of automated governance

**Pablo Baquero**

HEC Paris

Dominance, competition and cooperation in the Generative Artificial Intelligence market

**Anthony Abad Y Amunategui**

Ateneo De Manila University

AI + Trade + Competition: Rethinking tariffs and trade regulation in the age of AI & developing a new framework for international trade

Chair: **Lazar Radic**  
IE University Law School

ROOM T-09.09

*The politics of data*

**Kanikka Sersia**

Geneva Graduate Institute (IHEID)

When the Black Box is Open: Platform Economy and the Politics of Production

**Claire (Hyojung) Bae**

Max Planck Institute, Tax Law and Public Finance

From efficiency to autocracy: governing the invisible hand of AI

**Emmanouil Bougiakiotis**

European University Institute

Equitable data collection: a distributive justice approach to the risks of amassing data

**Kostina Prifti**

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Environmental protection in the AIA: scope, implementation and regulatory challenges

Chair: **Sergio Verdugo**  
IE University Law School

ROOM T-12.06

*Transforming Private Law*

**Pınar Çağlayan Aksoy**

Bilkent University; King's College London

Reframing Trust in AI Agents through Private Law

**Carmen Tamara Ungureanu**

University of Iasi, Romania

In AI We Trust? Manipulation in the digital market

**Veronica Greco**

Institute for Italian Law of the University of Innsbruck

Trustworthy AI in the Framework of the Italian Private Law

**Michelle Liu**

Radboud University, Nijmegen, the Netherlands

The fight against digital addiction in European private law

**Aura Elena Amironesei**

University of Iasi, Romania

Ad(d)icted to trust? Legal limits of AI usage and 'persuasion' in online advertising

Chair: **Laura Zoboli**  
IE University Law School

ROOM T-12.09

*Health & consent*

**Julia Krämer**

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Running on data: exploring the app store governance of health and fitness apps

**Marine Jacquemin**

Maastro Clinic, Maastricht University

From Consent to Trust and Accountability: Reimagining Health Data Governance in the Digital Age

**Dongshu Zhou**

Vrije Universiteit Brussel

Consent and Its Limits in the Age of AI: Legal Challenges and Emerging Models

**Gianmarco Casciotta**

LUISS Guido Carli

Trustworthy by design? Ethics and accountability in AI-driven choice architecture

Chair: **Charlotte Leskinen**  
IE University Law School

ROOM T-12.10

*Co-regulation: promises and perils*

**Rónán Kennedy**

National University of Ireland, Galway

Digital De-Constitutionalisation: Protecting Fundamental Rights in an Era of Platform Infrastructure

**Andrea Bertolini Elisa Stracqualursi**

Università di Pisa

The Pendulum Paradox of AI Regulation: Legal Uncertainty and Democratic Deficits in the EU's Soft Law Approach

**Andrea Palumbo**

Centre for IT and IP Law, Faculty of Law, KU Leuven

Protecting constitutional values through systemic risk management in EU digital legislation

**Hüseyin Can Aksoy**

Bilkent University and King's College London

When AI Fails Collectively: Restoring Trust Through Collective Remedy

Chair: **Federica Coppola**  
IE University Law School

| 17:15 – 18:45                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Parallel Session                                                                                                                                             | #2                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <p><i>Data transparency and digital rights at work</i></p> <p><b>Joe Atkinson</b><br/>University of Southampton</p> <p>Trust and managerial authority: the right to conduct a business in an age of algorithmic management</p> | <p><i>Criminal law, trust and AI</i></p> <p><b>Luis Garcia-Segura</b><br/>Nebrija University's School of Law</p> <p>Leveraging the digital frontier: exploring the promise and perils of AI-powered tools for victim support in the criminal justice system</p> | <p><i>The changing nature of warfare and the role of international (humanitarian) law</i></p> <p><b>Marina Aksenova</b><br/>IE University Law School</p> <p>Revitalising International Humanitarian Law Through Aesthetics</p> | <p><i>Perspectives on interoperability in EU Law</i></p> <p><b>Enrique Santamaría Echeverría</b><br/>Erasmus School of Law, Erasmus University Rotterdam</p> | <p><i>Advancing predictive justice in Family and Labour Law</i></p> <p><b>Carlotta Manz</b><br/>Vrije Universiteit Brussels</p> <p>Unpacking the Legal Dilemmas of Predictive Justice in Family and Labour Law</p> |
| <p><b>Nastazja Potocka-Sionek</b><br/>University of Luxembourg</p> <p>Bridging the gaps: The Platform Work Directive and the future of algorithmic regulation</p>                                                              | <p><b>Natalia Menendez Gonzalez</b><br/>European University Institute</p> <p>How does public perception affect the need for using facial recognition technology?</p>                                                                                            | <p><b>François Delerue</b><br/>IE University Law School</p> <p>Responsibility, Liability, and Accountability for Conduct in Cyberspace Involving a Plurality of Actors</p>                                                     | <p><b>Julia Krämer</b><br/>Erasmus School of Law, Erasmus University Rotterdam</p>                                                                           | <p><b>Andrea Filippo Ferraris</b><br/>University of Bologna; Vrije Universiteit Brussels</p> <p>Insights from the Frontlines: Empirical Findings on Predictive Justice in Family Law</p>                           |
| <p><b>Silvia Rainone</b><br/>European Trade Union Institute</p> <p>Unpacking the collective rights dimension of the Platform Work Directive – A promising yet incomplete framework</p>                                         | <p><b>Federica Fedorczyk</b><br/>Institute for Ethics in AI, Oxford University</p> <p>Criminal law as a tool of a 'régime of truth': a Foucauldian critique of criminalising fake news and deepfakes</p>                                                        | <p><b>Aude Gery</b><br/>University of Paris 8</p> <p>AI and International Law: what can we learn from cyber talks?</p>                                                                                                         | <p><b>Natalia Rozalia Avlona</b><br/>Department of Public Health, University of Copenhagen</p>                                                               | <p><b>Flora Amato</b><br/>University Federico II of Naples</p> <p>AI in Family Law: Enabling Parties with an Active Calculation in Inheritance, Divorce, and Separation</p>                                        |
| <p><b>Noelia de Torres Bóveda</b><br/>Complutense de Madrid</p> <p>Vindication over participation? The labour right to information on algorithms in Spain</p>                                                                  | <p><b>Neerej Dev</b><br/>University of Wolverhampton</p> <p>Distrust by design: migrants and the emotional infrastructures of bordering in the UK</p>                                                                                                           | <p><b>Marta Bo</b><br/>TMC Asser Institute, The Hague</p> <p>The Role of Bias in Military AI's Target Profiles: Implications for IHL</p>                                                                                       | <p><b>Lucas Lasota</b><br/>JTC – MLU / Weizenbaum Institute</p>                                                                                              | <p><b>Marianna Molinari</b><br/>University of Bologna; University of Turin; Vrije Universiteit Brussels</p> <p>Embracing Innovation or Resisting Change: Real-World Data on Predictive Justice in Labour Law</p>   |
| <p><b>Nikolett Hős</b><br/>Pázmány Péter Catholic University</p> <p>Rethinking working time in platform work: a functional approach</p>                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>Leander Stähler</b><br/>Centre for IT &amp; IP Law – KU Leuven</p>                                                                                     | <p><b>Mattia Fonisto</b><br/>University Federico II of Naples</p> <p>AI in Labour Law: Empowering Workers with a Chatbot to Choose Between Legal Action and ADR</p>                                                |
| fully formed panel                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | fully formed panel                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Chair: <b>Morgan Williams</b><br>ILO                                                                                                                                                                                           | Chair: <b>Francesca Palmiotto</b><br>IE University Law School                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Chair: <b>Yuliya Kaspiarovich</b><br>IE University Law School                                                                                                                                                                  | Chair: <b>Enrique Santamaría</b><br>Erasmus University Rotterdam                                                                                             | Opening and Intro: <b>Marco Giacalone</b><br>Vrije Universiteit Brussels                                                                                                                                           |

20:30  
**Café de Oriente** ([for speakers and chairs only](#))

Dinner 

09:00 – 09:30  
IE Tower – FLOOR 9

Light breakfast 

| 09:30 – 11:00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Parallel Session                                                                                                                                                            | #3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <i>Regulating trustworthiness?</i><br><br><b>Marina Markellou</b><br>University of Groningen<br><br>Unpacking Open Source AI under the EU AI Act: Legal Uncertainty, IP Norms, and the Contested Future Engagement of Open Source Communities | <i>Work rewired, rights redefined: AI, accountability and the law</i><br><br><b>Dario Calderara</b><br>La Sapienza University of Rome<br><br>Surveillance, Consent and Accountability: AI and Privacy in Labour Contexts | <i>Banking and Corporate</i><br><br><b>Elisa Valletta</b><br>Bocconi University, Milan<br><br>AI-Driven Credit Scoring in Banking: Legal Challenges and Consumer Protection | <i>The legal profession and education in the Gen AI age</i><br><br><b>Alessandro Tedeschi Toschi</b><br>Università degli Studi di Milano<br><br>Automation in purely intellectual fields. The poor adoption of software tools for managing repetitive and low value-added tasks in the legal profession |
| <b>Tal Niv</b><br>UC Law San Francisco<br><br>Developing an Honesty Dial: Multi-Modal Governance for Socially Aligned AI Integrity                                                                                                            | <b>Kamila Naumowicz</b><br>University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn<br><br>Authorship and Liability in the Age of Generative Work Tools                                                                                | <b>Maddalena Ginestri</b><br>Bocconi University, Milan<br><br>The Challenge of AI in the Financial Sector: Balancing Innovation and Trust                                   | <b>Anne-Claire Jamart</b><br>Cornell Law School<br><br>In lawyers we trust                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Elvira Maria Rosaria Oliva</b><br>University of Bologna<br><br>Trustworthy AI through harmonised standards? The implications of harmonised standards on fundamental rights protection in the AI Act                                        | <b>Joanna Untershuetz</b><br>University of Business and Administration in Gdynia<br><br>Can an Algorithm Commit a Crime? Criminal Liability for Automated Labour Law Violations                                          | <b>Alexandros Bakos</b><br>College of Law, Hamad Bin Khalifa<br><br>(Re)Constructing the Digital Economy through Inclusive and Secure Digital Identities                    | <b>Stefano Bini</b><br>University of Cordoba<br><br>To be a university professor today. Vision and proposals for continuous improvement and academic quality in the age of algorithms                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Matteo Ortino</b><br>University of Verona<br><br>The weak trustworthiness of AI's legal context in the EU                                                                                                                                  | <b>Yigitcan Cankaya</b><br>Atılım University, Ankara<br><br>Bridging the Gap in Digitalized Employment: Legal and Technical Challenges in Preventing Gender-Based AI Bias Under the EU AI Act                            | <b>Artur Bogucki</b><br>CEPS<br><br>Ethical, Legal, Social & Economic (ELSE) Assessment of AI in Credit Lending: A Multi-Stakeholder Analysis                               | <b>Alejandro Tamez</b><br>University of Kansas<br><br>AI Avatars in Court: Fair Representation and Due Process in Pro Se Defenses                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Carlota Carretero García</b><br>Rey Juan Carlos University<br><b>Pedro Salguero</b><br>University of Valladolid<br><br>Being a Woman in the Data Supply Chain                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Juan David Gutiérrez</b><br>Universidad de los Andes<br><br>Use of AI tools in the Colombian Judiciary: Findings from Three Surveys                                                                                                                                                                  |

Chair: **Marina Aksenova**  
IE University Law School

Chair: **Morgan Williams**  
ILO

Chair: **Sara Sanchez**  
IE University Law School

Chair: **Antonio Aloisi**  
IE University Law School

11:00 – 11:30  
IE Tower – FLOOR 10 (hub The Garden)

Coffee break 

| 11:30 – 13:00                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                | Parallel Session                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | #4                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <p><i>AI, data protection and the future of workers</i></p> <p><b>Michele Molè</b><br/>University of Groningen</p> <p>Lost in Translation: Is Data Protection Labour Law Protection?</p> | <p><i>Reimagining adjudication: who, how and for whom?</i></p> <p><b>Monika Glavina</b><br/>Erasmus University Rotterdam</p> <p>(Dis)Trust in AI technology in courts: Citizens', judges' and practitioners' perspective</p> | <p><i>Democracy and (dis)trust</i></p> <p><b>Angie Silva</b><br/>Universidad Católica de Temuco</p> <p>Ideal Conditions for Digital Deliberation: A Normative Proposal</p>                     | <p><i>IP and the new challenges of AI</i></p> <p><b>Sandra Marco Colino</b><br/>Chinese University of Hong Kong</p> <p>Trusting Creativity in the AI Era: Intellectual Property Law and AI-Generated Works</p>                                                   | <p><i>Robots, AGI and augmented realities</i></p> <p><b>Antoni Mut-Piña + Eduard Fosch-Villaronga</b><br/>Leiden University</p> <p>Do Safety Frameworks Improve Trust in Service Robots?</p> |
| <p><b>Antonino Matafù</b><br/>University of Catania</p> <p>Beyond the Regulatory Grey Zone: Platform Classification and User Protection</p>                                              | <p><b>Klara Lübbers</b><br/>Lehuphana Law School</p> <p>From Standardisation to Personalization: Rethinking Legislative Trust in the Age of Algorithmic Lawmaking</p>                                                        | <p><b>Viktorija Soņeca</b><br/>University of Latvia</p> <p>Democracy and Deepfakes</p>                                                                                                         | <p><b>Berhan Sarilar Philip Meinel</b><br/>IRGET, TU Dresden</p> <p>Copyright Compliance Policies as a Trust-Building Measure in the AI Act</p>                                                                                                                  | <p><b>Aikaterini Minia</b><br/>University of Bergen</p> <p>Extended Reality (XR) in the Workplace: Safety and Health Issues for Workers</p>                                                  |
| <p><b>Ana Costa</b><br/>Remote / Universidade Católica Portuguesa</p> <p>Managing Global Remote Workforces: how Technology and AI support employment lawyers</p>                         | <p><b>Juan David Gutiérrez</b><br/>Universidad de los Andes</p> <p>A Global Examination of Proactive Algorithmic Transparency in the Public Sector</p>                                                                       | <p><b>Michael Goodyear</b><br/>New York Law School</p> <p>Dignity and Deepfakes</p>                                                                                                            | <p><b>Mingzhu Zhang</b><br/>National University of Ireland, Galway</p> <p>Community norms and semi-decentralized moderation: rethinking automated copyright enforcement through a fanvid case study</p>                                                          | <p><b>Mohammed Raiz Shaffique</b><br/>Leiden University</p> <p>Trusting wearable robots? analysing the EU legal framework's adequacy in combating trust concerns in wearable robots</p>      |
| <p><b>Ruizhe Cheng</b><br/>University of Groningen</p> <p>Dual Legal Assessments on Algorithmic Risks: Occupational Safety in Platform Work across China and the EU</p>                  | <p><b>Giulia Barone</b><br/>Università degli Studi dell'Insubria</p> <p>AI regulation and public trust: Is a law enough to convince citizens to accept the use of AI systems in the Justice sector?</p>                      | <p><b>Maja Nastić</b><br/>University of Niš, Serbia</p> <p>Democracy in the digital era: safeguarding assembly and association in the age of surveillance and AI</p>                           | <p><b>Maciej Hulicki</b><br/>Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw</p> <p>Copyright in the era of Industry 5.0 - is there a justification for protecting works generated by AI?</p>                                                                       | <p><b>Yeliz Figen Doker</b><br/>European University Institute</p> <p>The Wicked Nature of AGI</p>                                                                                            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p><b>Anna Wyszcka</b><br/>Kozminski University</p> <p>Accountability - digitalization in the public sector</p>                                                                                                              | <p><b>Vanja Skoric</b><br/>University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands</p> <p>Can automated fundamental rights impact assessments enhance legal alignment and transparency of AI development?</p> | <p><b>Maria de Lourdes Vazquez</b><br/>Universidad de San Andres, Argentina</p> <p>Avoiding Another Napster: Can a labeling-and-registry architecture provide the infrastructure the music industry needs for a trust-based, copyright-conscious Gen AI Era?</p> | <p><b>Oleksandr Kosenkov</b><br/>Blekinge Institute of Technology</p> <p>Legal responsibility in software engineering: A missing cornerstone of software systems trustworthiness?</p>        |
| Chair: <b>Bart Wauters</b><br>IE University                                                                                                                                              | Chair: <b>Francisco de Elizalde</b><br>IE University Law School                                                                                                                                                              | Chair: <b>Sonsoles Arias</b><br>IE University Law School                                                                                                                                       | Chair: <b>Laura Zoboli</b><br>IE University Law School                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Chair: <b>Lucia Leontiev</b><br>European University Institute                                                                                                                                |

**13:00 – 14:30**

IE Tower – **FLOOR 10 (hub The Garden)**

**Lunch** 🍽️

**14:45 – 16:15**

**Parallel Session**

**#5**

**ROOM T-09.06**

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***Societal impacts***

***Inalienable  
personal rights***

***Competing models  
of regulation***

***Regulatory devices to  
enhance trust in the  
face of uncertainty***

**Toni Lorente**

The Future Society

Towards New Frontiers in  
Search: GPAI as VLOSE

**Sue Anne Teo**

CEPS

The Ethical and Legal  
Complexities of Regulating  
Companion Chatbots

**Qin (Sky) Ma**

Max Planck Institute for the  
Study of Crime, Security and  
Law

Four Global Models, One  
Future? AI in Adjudication  
and the Drift Beyond the  
Loop

**Ljupcho Grozdanovski**

JUST-AI JMCE (U. Liège)

‘I trust you because you  
prepare’ – the trust-  
enhancing rationale of the  
innovation principle

**Ebru Metin**

Tallinn University of Technology

Designing Against  
Disinformation: Legal Design  
as a Tool to Enhance  
Democratic Governance and  
Citizen Trust

**Maria Diory F. Rabajante**

Max Planck Institute for the  
Study of Crime, Security and  
Law

Lex Digitalis Sermonis:  
Transnational Speech Law in  
an Era of Opaque  
Algorithms

**Gal Forer**

UC Berkeley and Harvard  
University

Towards a Beijing Effect in  
AI Regulation?

**Jérôme De Coomant**

JUST-AI JMCE (U. Liège)

‘I trust you because you  
distrust AI’: auditing and  
zero-trust

**Adriana Mutu**

ESIC Business & Marketing  
School

TikTok’s compliance with the  
Digital Services Act  
standards: protecting  
minors and tackling  
systemic risks

**Chiara Toscano**

University Roma Tre

Affective Illegibility as a  
Right: Emotion, Power and  
the EU AI Act

**Simeng Chen**

Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)

From Brussels to Beijing?  
The Feasibility of  
Formulating a  
Comprehensive AI Law in  
China under the Lens of  
Digital Sovereignty

**Anca Radu**

David-Constant Fellow, U. Liège

‘I trust you because you  
protect’: fundamental rights  
protection and AI before  
courts

**Guinan Wang**

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Preferences Meet  
Constraints: An Analysis of  
Children’s Vulnerability on  
Social Media

**Maciej Otmianowski**

Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)

Privacy designs,  
technological sovereignty  
and digital pandemic  
response-ability

**Shuping Song**

Erasmus School of Law

Regulating Data  
Intermediaries in the Digital  
Economy: The New  
Middlemen in China and the  
EU

**Noémi Bontridder**

ENS Paris / JUST-AI JMCE (U.  
Liège)

The trust-enhancing  
rationale of the innovation  
principle

**Inês Neves**

University of Porto and CIJ,  
Portugal

Beyond Hashtags and the  
Trust Trap: Reframing  
Influencer Accountability in  
the Age of (Dis)Information

**Tahoora Heydari**

University of Helsinki

Defectiveness in the Age of  
AI: The Challenges of  
Development Risk Defense  
in the Revised EU Product  
Liability Directive

**Mehmet Unver**

University of Hertfordshire

Rethinking Trust in AI  
Governance: A Critical Look  
at the EU AI Act

fully formed panel

Chair: **Marie-José Garot**  
IE University Law School

Chair: **Francesca  
Palmiotto**  
IE University Law School

Chair: **Antonios  
Kouroutakis**  
IE University Law School

Chair: **Ljupcho  
Grozdanovski**  
JUST-AI JMCE (U. Liège)

16:30 – 17:30

Keynote speeches 

IE Tower – **FLOOR 24 (IE Club)**

[Zoom link](#) 

»» **Francesca Palmiotto**

Lawtomatic, IE University Law School

Chair

»» **Mathias Siems**

European University Institute

*Use of AI for legal research:  
risks and opportunities*

»» **Ignacio Cofone**

University of Oxford

*Why AI requires rebuilding  
data protection law*

»» **Antonio Aloisi**

Lawtomatic, IE University Law School

Outro

17:30 – 18:00

IE Tower – **FLOOR 24 (IE Club)**

Group picture  + goodbye 



## Panel format and conference details

The conference will be held **fully in-person** to make the most out of this exciting event.

There are **no registration fees**. The costs for meals will be covered by the organization.

Presentations will be organized into **chaired panels** and the presentation time for each participant will be **10-12 minutes** (no more than 10 minutes if there are five participants), followed by a Q&A.

The fully formed panels are indicated in the **orange** rows above.

Selected authors are required to submit a **draft** (full paper, extended abstract or visual presentation) by Monday, 22 September 2025, for **circulation among the speakers** and panel chairs. There are no specific format guidelines or style requirements.

All classrooms are equipped with a screen. If you wish to use **PPT or other visual aids**, please bring your presentation on a pen drive and install it during the break preceding your session.

Publication arrangements will be finalized at the end of the conference. Submissions will be considered for inclusion in a special edition of a **DigiBook** dedicated to Lawtomatic, developed in partnership with DigiCon and subject to the standard review process. If you are interested in being considered for publication, please contact [Francesca.Palmiotto@ie.edu](mailto:Francesca.Palmiotto@ie.edu) to express your interest.

## Practical information

The conference will take place in **Madrid, Spain, at the IE Tower** (also known as CALEIDO), located on Paseo de la Castellana 259E, 28046 Madrid. Directions can be found [here](#).

**Metro** | The closest Station is **Begoña** (line 10). After you get off the train, follow the exit signs leading to Cuatro Torres Business Area. Once on the street, walk toward the skyscrapers and look for the tower with the IE logo.

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