



THE ATHENS ROUNDTABLE

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND THE RULE OF LAW

2022 FOURTH EDITION

Under the Patronage of H.E. the President of the Hellenic Republic
Ms. Katerina Sakellariopoulou

Provisional Program

Organizers:



In partnership with:



Co-hosts:



Supporting Organizations:



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1ST 2022

LOCATION: virtual and in-person at the European Parliament in Brussels
TIME: 4 pm - 8 pm CET | 10 am - 2 pm EST | 7 am - 11 am PST

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2ND 2022

LOCATION: virtual
TIME: 4 pm - 8 pm CET | 10 am - 2 pm EST | 7 am - 11 am PST



About The Athens Roundtable

[The Athens Roundtable on AI and the Rule of Law](#), co-founded in 2019 by The Future Society (TFS) and ELONtech under the auspices of the Presidency of the Hellenic Republic, is the premier international, multi-stakeholder forum on artificial intelligence and the rule of law, aiming to:

- advance fundamental rights, the democratic order, innovation and the rule of law in the age of AI through international dialogue and cooperation for better policies, greater capacities, and stronger evidence; and
- co-design initiatives with real-world practical impact for the trustworthy adoption of AI at a global scale - particularly for legal, justice, and compliance systems.

Since 2019, The Athens Roundtable has convened participative dialogues with more than 3,600 stakeholders from 120 countries. Participants come from a diverse intergovernmental community, including the European Parliament, UNESCO, Council of Europe, European Commission, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), and OECD, as well as representatives from national governments, executives from the world's largest corporations, thought-leading academics, and civil society leaders. A full list of the initiative's speakers is available [here](#).

Additionally, The Athens Roundtable -in accordance with its mission and through its working groups- brings together institutional partners under a shared AI challenge to co-design operational solutions. These have included:

- a [Massive Online Open Course \(MOOC\) on AI and the Rule of Law](#)
- a [Manifesto In Defense of Democracy and the Rule of Law in the Age of AI](#)
- an [ongoing program for interoperable AI benchmarks](#)



The goals of The Athens Roundtable are threefold:

Better Policies | Bridging AI policy and practice

- Build awareness of international legislative, regulatory, and standards developments related to AI; and design and facilitate cross-stakeholder dialogues promoting their effective implementation and enforcement across judicial, legal and compliance systems.

Greater Capacities | Building AI literacy and capacities

- Raise understanding of AI risks across judicial operators, legal actors, policymakers and other relevant stakeholders to be better equipped to uphold fundamental rights, the democratic order, innovation, and the rule of law.

Stronger Evidence | Developing and institutionalizing evidence that empowers citizens with essential tools to navigate AI risks

- Help build a robust evidence-base for AI governance, including a set of adoptable benchmark frameworks and protocols, to empower citizens with tools to make decisions on use of AI;
- Advance the institutionalization of evidence-based instruments for the trustworthy adoption of AI globally.

About The Organizers

[The Future Society](#) | The Future Society (TFS) is an independent non-profit registered in the United States and Europe, aiming to ensure AI systems are safe and aligned with our fundamental values—now and in the future. We recognize the need for better AI governance to reach this vision, so we focus on identifying the institutional challenges preventing policies from being implemented, and convening diverse communities of AI actors to break down these challenges and to co-shape operational institutional solutions.

[ELONtech](#) | The European Law Observatory on New Technologies (ELONtech) is an initiative of Law and Technology professionals and researchers who aim to explore the interface of the two fields, the challenges between regulation and innovation, as well as the transformation of law enactment and enforcement, the introduction of the decentralized organizations and the disruption that technology is having across all sectors of the economy.



About The Fourth Edition

After three successful editions, the fourth edition of The Athens Roundtable will advance and widen the global dialogue on:

- trustworthy adoption of AI in conformity with human rights and democratic values;
- effective enforcement of, and compliance with, laws and regulations pertaining to AI;
- implementation of AI international normative agreements; and
- coordinated efforts for AI measurement and evaluation.

A lot has changed in the world since the 2021 edition, including remarkable advancements in AI capabilities and their billowing deployment in societies worldwide. In some cases, such as in the proliferation of profiling and surveillance technologies or in the use of autonomous weapons, such rapid deployment has raised alarm for democracies and shared fundamental rights.

There has been a surge of national and international AI governance efforts to set the 'rules' for how AI systems are to be developed and deployed. Among others, these include the EU AI Act, UNESCO's Recommendation on the Ethics of AI, the Council of Europe's proposals on legal instruments for AI, the OECD Working Party on AI Governance (AIGO), the U.S. National Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission's commercial surveillance rule-making proceeding, the Multistakeholder Experts Group of the Global Partnership on AI (GPAI), and the U.S.-EU Trade and Technology Council Subgroup on AI.

The fourth edition will unpack these latest AI governance developments, including complementary legal, normative, and compliance governance measures. Bringing together officials and leaders from government, intergovernmental organizations, industry, legal and judicial systems, academia and civil society, it will facilitate a participative and action-oriented dialogue on their operationalization for the benefit of humanity.

The Athens Roundtable is organized by The Future Society and the European Law Observatory on New Technologies (ELONtech) in partnership with the Patrick J. McGovern Foundation. The dialogue will transpire under the patronage of H.E. the President of the Hellenic Republic Ms. Katerina Sakellariopoulou.

Proudly, it is co-hosted by the European Parliament, UNESCO, OECD, Council of Europe, IEEE, Cravath, and Amazon Web Services, and supported by the Jain Family Institute, Arnold & Porter, and Debevoise & Plimpton.



Format and Dates

The fourth edition will take place on:

Thursday, December 1st 2022

Location: virtual and in-person at the European Parliament in Brussels

Time: 4pm - 8pm CET | 10am - 2pm EST | 7am - 11am PST

Friday, December 2nd 2022

Location: virtual

Time: 4pm - 8pm CET | 10am - 2pm EST | 7am - 11am PST

The event will feature keynotes, panels, and fireside chats. Interpretation will be available in French and Spanish.

Agenda and Speakers

Please note sessions' times may change.

Thursday, December 1st (live-streamed from the European Parliament)	
CET	Session
4:00 PM - 4:15 PM	<p>Introductory Remarks: Setting the Stage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eva Kaili, Vice-President, European Parliament - Nicolas Mialhe, Founder and President, The Future Society
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are the most effective governance mechanisms to ensure AI is aligned to human rights, democratic values, and the rule of law? - How do various levels of AI governance - from regulation to standards and compliance - complement one another? - What are the roles of various AI actors (developers, deployers, regulators, investors, lawyers, judges, civil society)?
4:15 PM - 4:25 PM	<p>Keynote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vilas Dhar, President, Patrick J. McGovern Foundation
4:25 PM - 5:20 PM	<p>Panel: The Path Towards an Enforceable EU AI Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Werner Stengg Digital Expert, Cabinet of Executive Vice President Margrethe Vestager, European Commission - Eva Kaili Vice-President, European Parliament - Ján Hrgaš Deputy Minister, Ministry of Investments, Regional Development and Informatization of the Slovak Republic



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Katherine Forrest Partner, Cravath; Former U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of New York and Former Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice- Nicolas Moes Director, EU AI Governance, The Future Society (moderator)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- At what stage of deliberation is the EU AI Act, and what amendments and compromises have emerged?- What are the 'red lines' within the EU AI Act? How do they compare to those of other governance frameworks, including work from UNESCO, OECD, and CoE?- How can we ensure the EU AI Act is enforced so it recognizably impacts the life and liberty of the citizens it is meant to empower? How will the rest of the world be affected by the EU AI Act?
5:20 PM - 5:40 PM	Fireside Chat: A Manifesto on Enforcing Law in the Age of AI <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Paul Nemitz Principal Advisor on Justice Policy, European Commission- Julie Brill Corporate Vice President for Global Privacy and Regulatory Affairs and Chief Privacy Officer, Microsoft- Francesco Lapenta Founding Director, John Cabot University Institute of Future and Innovation Studies (moderator)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Can we ensure effective and legitimate enforcement of laws concerning AI systems?
5:40 PM - 6:35 PM	Panel: Future-Proofing AI Governance <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Lucilla Sioli Director for “Artificial Intelligence and Digital Industry” within Directorate-General CONNECT, European Commission- Marek Havrda Deputy Minister for European Affairs, Czech Republic- Jack Clark Co-founder, Anthropic- Sasha Rubel Public Policy Lead, Amazon Web Services- Mark Brakel Director of European Affairs, Future of Life Institute (moderator)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- What current and future AI capabilities should policymakers and regulators be aware of?- How should legal frameworks, including the EU AI Act, address general purpose AI systems?- How can we effectively allocate responsibility across the value chain?
6:35 PM - 6:45 PM	Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none">- TBA
6:45 PM - 7:00 PM	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Brando Benifei Member of the European Parliament (recorded)- Jean - Noel Barrot Minister for Digital Transition and Telecommunications, France (recorded)



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gabriela Ramos Assistant Director-General for the Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO (recorded)
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Networking
Friday, December 2nd (fully virtual)	
CET	Session
4:00 PM - 4:25 PM	<p>Introductory Remarks: The Wider Context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kyriakos Pierrakakis, Minister of State and Digital Governance, Hellenic Republic - Tawfik Jelassi Assistant Director-General for Communication and Information, UNESCO; Professor of Strategy and Technology Management, IMD Lausanne <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the wider international and geopolitical context that the EU AI Act is situated in? - What does AI governance look like across the Atlantic and beyond? - What is the role of AI international agreements, including the work of UNESCO, OECD, and the Council of Europe?
4:25 PM - 4:40 PM	<p>Fireside Chat: AI for Defense</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marietje Schaake International Policy Director at the Cyber Policy Center and International Policy Fellow at the Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence, Stanford - Nikolaos Loutas Head of Data and AI, NATO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How can we ensure the responsible adoption of AI for defense purposes? - How is the defense sector shaping breakthroughs in AI development? What are the spillover effects to other sectors? - What are the limits and challenges to AI deployment in the defense context?
4:40 PM - 5:10 PM	<p>Panel: AI Breakthroughs and their Impacts on Human Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renée Cummings Professor of Practice in Data Science, University of Virginia - Andrea Renda Senior Research Fellow, CEPS - Ariel Conn Head of the IEEE-SA Research Group on Issues of Autonomy and AI for Defense Systems, IEEE (moderator) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are the implications of autonomous weapons on human rights? - What is the impact of AI, particularly profiling and surveillance technologies, on human rights and the democratic order? - What sorts of power imbalances are exacerbated in the age of AI?



5:10 PM - 5:15 PM	Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Alexander Bornyakov Deputy Minister, Ministry of Digital Transformation of Ukraine
5:15 PM - 5:20 PM	Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mike Rounds United States Senator (recorded)
5:20 PM - 6:00 PM	Panel: Operationalizing International Agreements on AI <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Marielza Oliveira Director for Partnerships and Operational Programme Monitoring Communications and Information, UNESCO- Karine Perset Head of AI Unit and OECD.AI, Digital Economy Policy Division, Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD)- Jan Kleijssen Director for Information Society, Council of Europe- Marc Rotenberg President, Center for AI & Digital Policy (moderator) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- What have been the latest developments in AI international policy frameworks (OECD AI Principles, the Council of Europe’s Committee on AI, and UNESCO’s Recommendation on the Ethics of AI)?- How can we effectively operationalize international instruments guiding AI’s adoption? How different does operationalization look across jurisdictions and cultures?- What is the role of evidence-based instruments and capacity-building efforts?
6:00 PM - 6:35 PM	Panel: Coordinating Measurement and Evaluation of AI <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Elham Tabassi Chief of Staff in the Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)- Sebastian Hallensleben Chair of JTC 21, CEN and CENELEC; Head of Digitalisation and AI, VDE Association for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies- Gry Hasselbalch Senior Expert, International Outreach for a Human-Centric Approach to AI (InTouchAI.eu)- Eileen M. Lach Former General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer, IEEE (moderator) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Practically, how do we ensure AI systems are developed, measured, and assessed for their fitness-for-purpose, and in accordance with fundamental values?- What role do interoperable benchmarks, standards, certifications, and impact assessments play in ensuring that AI systems are safe and aligned with our values?- What are the successes and bottlenecks in developing and deploying these instruments effectively?



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- How can effective instruments for measurement and evaluation of AI change the landscape for AI governance?
6:35 PM - 6:55 PM	<p>Fireside Chat: The AI Regulatory Landscape in the US</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Keith Sondering Commissioner, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission- Avi Gesser Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- How has the US AI regulatory landscape evolved in the past year on a federal and state level?- Can we effectively promote coordination across regulatory agencies - within the US and outside?- How does the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) ensure AI's use in hiring and other employment decisions comply with federal civil rights laws?
6:55 PM - 7:00 PM	<p>Keynote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. Alondra Nelson Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Director for Science and Society, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy
7:00 PM - 7:30 PM	<p>Panel: Keeping Ahead of the AI Regulatory Compliance Curve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Navrina Singh Founder & CEO, Credo AI- Miriam Vogel President and CEO, Equal AI; Chair, National AI Advisory Committee (NAIAC)- Peter Schildkraut Partner, Arnold and Porter (moderator)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- How does AI regulatory compliance give businesses a competitive advantage? Why should businesses prepare now for future AI regulations and standards?- What is a practical approach for businesses to prepare for regulations that largely remain in development, may lack internal coherence, and seem likely to differ markedly across jurisdictions?- What can be done to mitigate risks? How do codes of conduct and other governance and compliance tools help? What sort of oversight is required?- What are the implications of data policy compliance for practices such as document-retention?
7:30 PM - 7:45 PM	<p>Fireside Chat: A Judicial and Legal Perspective for AI Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Prateek Sibal Programme Specialist, UNESCO- Isabela Ferrari Federal Judge, Brazil
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- What are the current perspectives of judicial and legal actors on AI governance and its enforcement?- What is the role of AI capacity building in ensuring judges and lawyers maintain their vital role as safeguards of the rule of law?



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- What have we learned from the online course on AI and the Rule of Law (launched by UNESCO and TFS in March 2022)?
7:45 PM - 7:50 PM	Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Lee J. Tiedrich Distinguished Faculty Fellow in Ethical Technology, Duke Initiative for Science & Society; Member of GPAI Multi-stakeholder Expert Group; Co-Chair of GPAI IP Subcommittee; Member of GPAI AI & Climate Steering Committee and PETS Steering Committee
7:50 PM - 8:00 PM	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Nicolas Mialhe, Founder and President, The Future Society- Mantalena Kaili, Executive Director, ELONtech



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