



## Final report

### International Workshop and Creation of a Working Research Group on the Law's Response to the Challenges of Digital Transformation

14th – 15th November 2024 in Valtice

**The main output** of the project was the organisation of a joint workshop on the topic of European Union law's response to the challenges of digital transformation. The workshop was held in Valtice on 14th – 15th November 2024. It was designed for 24 participants; unfortunately, 3 of them (1 academic and 2 students) could not come because of illness. Participants of the workshop were 4 academics (3 from Faculty of Law, Palacký University in Olomouc; 1 from Vienna University) and 17 students (10 from Faculty of Law, Palacký University in Olomouc; 7 from Vienna University). The attendance list is annexed to this report.

Each of the students presented (individually or in pairs) their current research topic in the field of law and digital technologies. After their presentation students were provided with the valuable feedback of the attending experts and further discussion in which they practised answering the questions about their research. The level of expertise of the workshop agenda was guaranteed by the experts in the field - Assoc. Prof. Václav Stehlík (Faculty of Law, Palacký University in Olomouc) and Prof. Thomas Jaeger (Vienna University). Other academics - Assoc. Prof. Jozef Andráško, Dr. Matúš Mesarčík and Prof. Tomáš Gábriš prepared for students the lectures covering individual issues of the main topic of the workshop, namely European Union law's response to the challenges of digital transformation.

**Thematically**, the project responded to current societal and strategic needs not only in the Czech Republic and Austria, but also from EU law and international law perspective. Individual topics can be found in the working plan of the workshop which is annexed to this report. The workshop was much appreciated by all participants, both academic as well as students.

**Part of the session was also the debate on the future cooperation.** Both law schools plan to keep in touch and carry out the second round of this workshop also in autumn 2025. We plan to cover both current participants and evaluate their progress as well as new students who would like to specialise in the topics covered.

Both law schools also plan to keep in close touch in relation to opportunities of further cooperation. The project was a good start for further academic cooperation also in other areas including establishment of research links, support talented students and deeper discussion of common joint research topics. In all aspect both cooperating institutions agreed that the aim of the project was fulfilled. Both participating institutions very much appreciate this common event, are very grateful for the support under *Aktion scheme* and look forward to continuing their cooperation.



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**Dissemination of the project outcome:**

Faculty of Law, Palacký University: <https://www.pf.upol.cz/nc/zprava/clanek/workshop-propojil-mlade-pravni-vedce-z-olomouce-a-z-vidne/>

University of Vienna: [Erfolgreicher Austausch beim International Workshop in Valtic;](#)

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Signature:

In Olomouc: 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024

In Vienna: 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024

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Annex 1: Working plan of the workshop

Annex 2: Attendance lists



## Annex 1:

### International Workshop and Creation of a Working Research Group on the Law's Response to the Challenges of Digital Transformation 14th – 15th November 2024 in Valtice

#### Working plan

#### 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024

| Time schedule | Activity  | Involvement/Responsibility   |
|---------------|---|--|
| till 14:00    | Arrival to Valtice and check-in to hotel  | All participants   |
| 14.30         | <b>Opening of the workshop</b> &<br>Presentation of studies and research in the field of the Artificial intelligence and Law and Digital Technologies at participating universities | <b>Václav Stehlík</b> (Palacký University), <b>Thomas Jaeger</b> (University of Vienna)  |
| 14:45 – 16:00 | <b>1st block of students' presentations</b> & Discussion &<br>Feedback from the academic participants   | <b>Daniel Vaculík &amp; Simona Kurtinová:</b> Role of regulatory sandboxes in innovation and regulation of DLT<br><br><b>Jan Kutan &amp; Sandra Konečná:</b> Right of the individual on communication with authorities<br><br><b>Jan Grepl:</b> Social Consumer Profiling  |
| 16:00 – 16:30 | Coffee break  | All participants   |
| 16.30 – 17.00 | <b>1st academic lecture</b> & Discussion  | <b>Jozef Andraško:</b> Regulation of automated vehicles: EU law and international law approach   |
| 17.00 – 18:30 | <b>2nd block of students' presentations</b> & Discussion &<br>Feedback from the academic participants   | <b>Elisabeth Plamberger:</b> The EU AI Act (2021 proposal): Safe, transparent, accountable, non-discriminatory and environmentally friendly AI?<br><br><b>Lina Reiter:</b> GDPR and AI<br><br><b>Andrea A. Jacobs:</b> Transforming Public Services in the EU: Leveraging Digital Innovation for Enhanced Service Delivery, Transparency, and Efficiency.<br><br><b>Oliver Rybecky:</b> Ethics in Artificial Intelligence + Automated Decision-Making in the Public Sector: Legal Framework in the EU. |
| 18:30         | Dinner  | All participants   |



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| 20:00 – 22:00 | <b>Academic evening</b><br>Discussion and brainstorming of future academic cooperation and carrier opportunities of students in the field of AI and digital transformation | Academic staff and students |
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### 15th November 2024

| Time schedule | Activity   | Involvement/Responsibility   |
|---------------|--|--|
| 9.30 – 10.00  | <b>2nd academic lecture</b><br>& Discussion  | <b>Matúš Mesarčík:</b> Countering Disinformation Online in the European Union: Laws and Challenges   |
| 10:00-11:00   | <b>3rd block of students' presentations</b><br>& Discussion<br>& Feedback from the academic participants | <b>Sarah Bergsmann:</b> Robot Researchers': Impact of AI on Patent Law<br><br><b>Stela Košťálová:</b> AI on Wheels: Driving towards Trust<br><br><b>Daniela Hanousek:</b> Unveiling the Veil: Assessing EU Law's Effectiveness in Ensuring Transparency for HR AI Systems  |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee break   | All participants   |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | <b>3rd academic lecture</b><br>& Discussion  | <b>Tomáš Gábriš:</b> Digital Transformation of Legal Methodology: Resurfacing of Legal Dialectics  |
| 12:00-13:00   | <b>4th block of students' presentations</b><br>& Discussion<br>& Feedback from the academic participants | <b>Kristina Hrbková:</b> Artificial Intelligence and the Integrity of Justice: Evaluating AI's Role in Trial Monitoring to Uphold the Right to a Fair Trial<br><br><b>Marta Terletska &amp; Ana Koiava:</b> EU Digital Wallet: issues of implementation<br><br><b>Sandro-Giorgi Sarukhanishvili</b> Legal Frameworks for Regulating Big Data as Intangible Property in the Digital Economy for Fostering Fair Market Competition (it is his PhD. Theses) |
| 13:00         | <b>End of the workshop</b> , closing remarks   | Academic staff - summary of the workshop   |



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### ATTENDANCE LIST – Faculty of Law, Palacký University

| Full name                     | Role     | Attendance on 14th<br>November 2024 (Signature) | Attendance on 15th<br>November 2024 (Signature) |
|-------------------------------|----------|---|---|
| Václav Stehlík                | Academic |   |   |
| Ondrej Hamulák                | Academic |   |   |
| Jozef Andraško                | Academic |   |   |
| Matúš Mesarčík                | Academic |   |   |
| Tomáš Gábriš                  | Academic |   |   |
| Daniel Vaculík                | Student  |   |   |
| Kristina Hrbková              | Student  |   |   |
| Sandra Konečná                | Student  |   |   |
| Jan Grepl                     | Student  |   |   |
| Daniela Hanousek              | Student  |   |   |
| Jan Kutan                     | Student  |   |   |
| Andrea A. Jacobs              | Student  |   |   |
| Simona Kurtinová              | Student  |   |   |
| Marta Terletska               | Student  |   |   |
| Ana Koiava                    | Student  |   |   |
| Sandro-Giorgi Sarukhanishvili | Student  |   |   |





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Law and Comparative Law, University of Vienna**

| Full name                 | Role     | Attendance on 14th<br>November 2024 (Signature) | Attendance on 15th<br>November 2024 (Signature) |
|---------------------------|----------|---|---|
| Thomas Jaeger             | Academic |   |   |
| Patrik Marek              | Student  |   |   |
| <del>Isabel Dargatz</del> | Student  |   |   |
| Kerstin Schatz            | Student  |   |   |
| Sarah Bergsmann           | Student  |   |   |
| Stela Košťálová           | Student  |   |   |
| Elisabeth<br>Plamberger   | Student  |   |   |
| Lina Reiter               | Student  |   |   |
| Oliver Rybecky            | Student  |   |   |