

European University of Rome
Jean Monnet Chair in Digital Transformation and AI Policy

**“Advanced Studies on Digital
transformation: fundamental rights, solidarity and democratic
framework”**

CALL FOR PAPERS

In its second year course, the Jean Monnet Chair in Digital Transformation and AI Policy at the European University of Rome will hold a new series of 6 seminars and lectures – between March and May 2024 – on the following topic (strictly connected to the 2022-2023 series):

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In a time of epochal changes, digital transformation and AI profoundly affect today’s social and economic context and are key driver for advancing the European values, identity and active citizenship towards the new technology debate. As stated in the European Declaration on Digital Rights and Principles for the Digital Decade, the EU’s approach to digital transformation is a key priority in order to ensure full compliance with fundamental rights, including data protection rules and equal treatment, principles such as technological and net neutrality, inclusiveness, as well as to enhance digital skills and competences and foster a high-performing digital education ecosystem.

As widely known, the proposed Regulation on AI is part of the European Union’s strategy for the digital single market, aiming at promoting the development of artificial intelligence, addressing its risks, guaranteeing legal certainty and facilitating investments and innovation in the sector. Its purpose is to define an ecosystem of trust and to propose a uniform legal framework for reliable artificial intelligence.

As a matter of fact, an horizontal, unified and systematic approach is a necessary condition to: a) define a common, reliable and predictable legal framework; b) build a consistent EU strategy and in turn a strategic leadership; c), strengthen Europe’s potential to compete globally.

AI systems are inherently capable of effecting health, safety and fundamental rights, that are key values at EU level. Thus, the AI regulatory framework shall address the interactions and intersections with these personal rights and advance a balanced approach consistent with innovation and competition policies through harmonized rules at EU level.

SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Law and economics scholars, Ph.D. candidates, researchers, as well as industry experts are invited to submit **draft papers** or **extended abstracts** no later than 6 March 2024.

Authors will be informed by 12 March 2024, at the latest, whether they have been selected for the “Seminars and Workshop Series”. Each paper will be evaluated by two independent reviewers.

Authors of selected papers shall finally submit the final version of their contribution - that will be eventually published on the conference website – by 3 April 2024.

Please send your submissions to Prof. Valeria Falce (Valeria.Falce@unier.it) and Dr. Nicola M.F. Faraone (nicolamariafrancesco.faraone.cultore@unier.it). You will receive a confirmation of receipt within a few days from submission.