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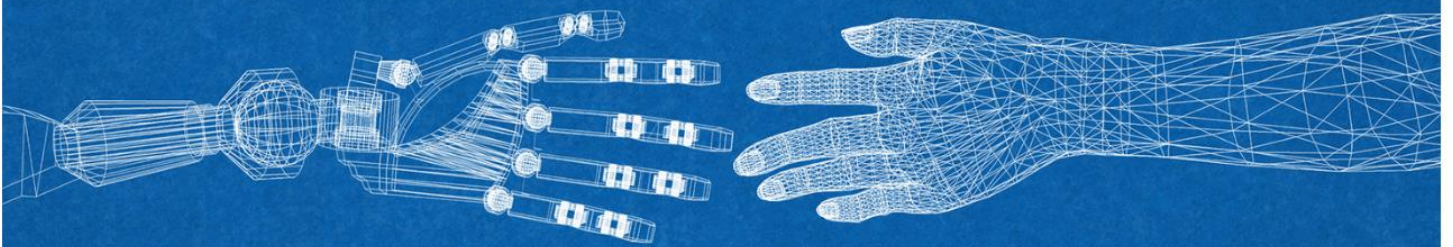
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Event Description:

The "**Atlantic Dialogues on Technology and Regulation**" are a series of events held annually developed in partnership between the Faculty of Law of the Catholic University of Portugal (UCP), through the **Católica Research Centre for the Future of Law**, and the Law School of the Getulio Vargas Foundation (FGV), Rio de Janeiro, through the **Center for Technology and Society**.

The objective of the **Atlantic Dialogues on Technology and Regulation** is the analysis of global technological evolutions, their impacts on the regulatory systems of the different continents of the world and the potential synergies between such systems.

The first edition of the Dialogues will take place in Lisbon, on 3 and 4 April 2025, and will be dedicated to four essential themes for the future of technology and regulation: **Artificial Intelligence, Data Protection, Cybersecurity and Regulation of Digital Platforms**.

The dialogues will have a multi-stakeholder format, promoting high-level multidisciplinary analyses based on interaction between representatives from academia, the business sector, the public sector, and civil society.

The call for papers for the **Atlantic Dialogues on Technology and Regulation 2025** will focus on Artificial Intelligence, Data Protection, Cybersecurity, and Digital Platforms. Contributions from all disciplines related to the conference themes, in English or Portuguese, are welcome.

This call for papers accepts authors willing to produce full papers to be published in the official publications of the **Atlantic Dialogues on Technology and Regulation**. Papers must be original and submitted exclusively to this process – therefore, they must not have been submitted to any other publication previously.

Thematic axes and relevant topics:

1. *Artificial intelligence.*

The legal regulation of AI is, necessarily, based on ethics. In fact, the definition of a legal framework that is functional for the excellence of technological development and the trust of citizens depends on respect for the applicable ethical principles and values. Therefore, the guidelines that generally structure an ethical approach serve as a reference for the debate on regulation and, of course, the strictly technical and legal options. Thus, among other topics, this axis will deal with:

- Human supervision and control;
- Security, reliability, and transparency;
- Privacy and protection of personal data;
- Non-bias and non-discrimination;
- Social responsibility and environmental sustainability;
- Accountability;

- Governance models;
- AI sovereignty;
- Public and home security applications;
- Elections and democracy;
- Impacts of generative AI.

2. *Cybersecurity.*

This axis of work will explore the different dimensions of cybersecurity governance and regulation, with particular attention to information security, security of critical infrastructures, security of political and democratic infrastructures and cybercrime. Topics of particular interest include, but are not limited to:

- National approaches to cybersecurity regulation or comparison of such approaches;
- Institutional cybersecurity governance arrangements or comparison of such arrangements;
- Existing or proposed international instruments for the protection of cybersecurity or cybercrime and their impacts;
- Technologies aimed at improving cybersecurity;
- Offensive and defensive use of artificial intelligence;
- Technical and Legal aspects of cyberattack attribution;
- Alternative strategies to promote cybersecurity (cybersecurity insurance, etc.);
- Role of technical standardization in cybersecurity governance and compliance;
- Case studies on cyberattacks and cyber defence governance;
- International regulation of cyberwarfare;
- International agreements on cybersecurity, cyberdefence, or cybercrime.

3. *Data protection.*

This thematic axis seeks to promote discussions on the legal, ethical, and technological challenges associated with privacy and data protection in an increasingly connected world, as well as the exploration of regulatory strategies that balance innovation and the protection of individual rights. The topics of this axis include, among other topics:

- International data protection laws and regulations (*e.g.*, GDPR, LGPD, CCPA);
- Privacy architecture in digital platforms (*e.g.*, data anonymization and pseudonymization techniques; Privacy by Design; cryptography; blockchain);
- Impact of data collection on individual freedom and user autonomy;
- Conflicts of jurisdiction in cases of privacy violation by global platforms;
- International information-sharing agreements and regulatory cooperation;
- Automated decision-making, Internet of Things (IoT) and its implications for data protection;
- Users' rights over their personal data: portability and deletion;
- Tools and resources for users to have greater control over their information.

4. *Regulation of Digital Platforms.*

This thematic axis deals with the regulation of digital platforms, a complex and urgent challenge given their wide-ranging influence on the economy, politics, and daily life. These platforms not only mediate communication and commerce, but also shape public opinion, influence behaviour, and have significant impacts on the inclusion and representation of minority groups. This axis seeks critical analysis of regulatory strategies to deal with these challenges, including, among others:

- Regulatory strategies to address the market power of digital platforms (*e.g.*, DMA, etc.);

- Algorithmic transparency: automated decisions, explainability, inferences, access to data and trade secrets (*e.g.*, DSA, etc.);
- Platforms' liability for user-generated content;
- Anti-competitive practices and digital monopolies;
- Consumer protection and users' rights on online platforms;
- Protection of children and adolescents on online platforms;
- Cybersecurity and data protection issues on digital platforms;
- Information pluralism and the impact of digital platforms on content diversity;
- Freedom of expression, hate speech, and protection of minority groups;
- Information integrity and combating disinformation on digital platforms;
- International cooperation and regulatory harmonization;
- Platform work and platform workers' rights;
- Strategies to capture attention and direct behaviour on digital platforms.

Organization: *Católica Research Centre for the Future of Law* and *Center for Technology and Society at FGV Law School, Rio de Janeiro.*

Scientific Committee: Eduardo Magrani; Filipa Urbano Calvão; Filipe Medon; Henrique Sousa Antunes; Luca Belli; Walter Britto Gaspar; Yasmin Curzi.

Date: April 03 and 04, 2025.

Venue: Catholic University of Portugal - Lisbon

Target audience

The event is open to researchers from all areas of knowledge, including law, technology, political science, economics, sociology, communication, philosophy, among others.

Requirements for submission of articles

Submitted articles must meet the following requirements:

- Be unpublished;
- Have a minimum of 4000 and a maximum of 6000 words, excluding bibliographic references;
- Be written in Portuguese or English;
- Follow OSCOLA formatting standards, with references in footnotes.

Submission Procedure

Step 1: Submission of abstracts

Abstracts must be submitted electronically, in editable format (.doc or similar), until September 15, 2024, to the electronic address: cts@fgv.br. Abstracts should contain up to 2000 words and present an introduction to the topic addressed, the methods applied, and prospective results and discussion. Authors must indicate up to 5 keywords and provide, in the body of the email, a short biography (up to 150 words), full name and affiliation. The archive of the abstract and, subsequently, of the final version of the article should be anonymized.

Abstracts will be reviewed and shortlisted by October 15, 2024 by a scientific committee composed of experts in the fields of Technology and Regulation. The selection criteria will be as follows:

- Originality and relevance of the theme;
- Consistency of the methodology used;
- Clarity and conciseness of the exposition;
- Internal coherence of the text.

Step 2: Submission of the draft version and peer review

Authors of shortlisted papers must submit the draft version of their papers by December 15, 2024.

The authors of the selected articles will be notified by February 15, 2025. The texts will then be peer-reviewed with recommendations sent by 30 June 2025.

Your review should include a recommendation for: **Publication** (no or minor changes); **Publication subject to substantial revisions**; or **Rejection**. These opinions will be taken into account for the final decision regarding publication of the submitted articles.

The final version of the articles, incorporating the reviewers' comments, must be submitted by July 31, 2025.

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The selected papers will be presented at the 2025 edition of the **Atlantic Dialogues on Technology and Regulation**, which will be held in Lisbon on April 3 and 4, 2025.

- June 17, 2024: initial announcement of the Call for Papers
- July 15, 2024: second release of the Call for Papers
- 15 September 2024: deadline for submission of extended abstracts (2000 words)
- October 15, 2024: announcement of the pre-selection and opening of the deadline for submission of preliminary versions of the articles.
- December 15, 2024: Deadline for submission of draft versions. Guests for the event will be chosen based on these preliminary versions.
- February 15, 2025: announcement of the final selection of articles participating in the event.
- Event on April 3rd and 4th, 2025.
- Peer review process and submission of feedback on draft versions: June 30, 2025.
- Delivery of finalized versions by July 31, 2025.

More information

The costs of travel, accommodation and food for the participants will be borne by the participants themselves.

For more information, please contact the organization of the event by e-mail: cts@fgv.br.