

AI SUMMIT

The impact of AI on the judiciary

DRAFT AGENDA DIGI/2026/01

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24 – 25 September 2026
(Riga, Latvia)



Activity name	EJTN AI Summit: The impact of AI on the judiciary	Activity reference	DIGI/2026/01
Dates	Thursday 24 September 2026 (9:00 – 17:00 CET) Friday 25 September 2026 (9:00 – 12:30 CET)	Format	F2F training
Hosting EJTN Member	Judicial Academy of the Republic of Latvia	Target audience	
Venue	11.novembra krastmala 31, Riga LV-1050 Latvia	Judges, Prosecutors and Court Staff from all Members, Associate Members and Observers signatories of the Justice Programme (AL, BA, XK, MD and UA)	

DESCRIPTION & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Artificial intelligence (AI) is reshaping society at an unprecedented pace, and the justice system is no exception. AI represents a cross-cutting transformation affecting all components of the justice system (e.g., evidence, judicial reasoning, legal research...). As the [European Judicial Training Strategy 2025 – 2030](#) recognises, digital transformation has the potential to enhance the efficiency and quality of justice systems and access to justice. In this context, training providers are called upon to develop training and empower justice professionals to navigate the digitalisation of justice system, in particular as regards the use of AI.¹

The series of EJTN training activities held in 2025 and ongoing throughout 2026 has already gathered a large number of participants and revealed several converging gaps: practitioners lack AI-specific training tailored to judicial work; existing AI tools and resources remain largely unknown; AI is being deployed unevenly across jurisdictions, urging a coordinated mapping of current practice; and no European forum exists to exchange on actual practices, experiences, and available tools.

The EJTN AI Summit responds to these needs by bringing together a diverse community of judges, prosecutors, court staff, relevant stakeholders and institutional partners from across Europe, with the aim of consolidating knowledge, exchanging practices, and laying the groundwork for coordinated action on AI in justice.

The format and methodology of the Summit is designed as a highly practical and interactive training activity built around peer-to-peer learning. It centres on active participation, practitioner exchange, and collective knowledge production. Keynotes map the institutional and policy landscape;

practitioner and stakeholder panels broaden the perspective beyond the judiciary; and three rounds of workshops groups foster peer-to-peer dialogue, culminating in a closing plenary to consolidate and present the outcomes of the 1.5-day training. The Summit is expected to produce a report which will serve as a reference document for future training development, cooperation, and coordinated action on AI in justice at European level.

Upon completion of the training, participants will be able to:

- Contribute to the development of a coordinated European response to the digitalisation of justice, specifically regarding the impact and use of AI;
- Exchange concrete experiences and best practices on the use of AI in judicial work with peers from different jurisdictions and judicial functions;
- Map the tools and resources available for the use of AI in justice, both at the level of European institutional partners and across participating countries, and identify ways to access and build upon them;
- Identify the main opportunities and risks associated with the use of AI in judicial work;
- Apply fundamental rule of law safeguards to the deployment of AI in justice;
- Recognise the phenomenon of 'Shadow AI', its implications, and the existing liability frameworks;
- Assess the admissibility and evidentiary challenges posed by AI-generated or AI-processed digital evidence, including deepfakes;
- Apply AI literacy skills, including prompting techniques, and identify cybersecurity risks associated with the use of AI tools in judicial work.

¹ The Summit is fully aligned with the objectives and actions of the European Judicial Training Strategy 2025–2030 (See Actions 1, 4, 7, 8, 11 & 15).¹

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Thursday, 24 September 2026
Day 1 – Morning (8:45 – 13:45)

8:45 - 9:00	Welcome and participants registration	Verónica MOLINA HAO EJTN Project Coordinator – Criminal Justice & Digitalisation
9:00 – 9:15	Opening Words <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome participants - EJTN's role: coordination, judicial training, digitalisation - Objectives, methodology and expected deliverables of the Summit 	Ingrid DERVEAUX EJTN Secretary General Haffide BOULAKRAS EJTN DIGI WG Convener Laila JURCĒNA Director of the Judicial Academy of the Republic of Latvia
9:15 – 9:35	SESSION I European Commission Keynote	European Commission
9:35 – 10:15	SESSION II Partners' Panel – Institutional dialogue on AI in justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Present current projects, pilots, existing resources on AI in justice - Explore opportunities for cooperation and coordination between institutions <p><i>Interactive Q&A – Discussion with the audience</i></p>	UNESCO European Networks of Councils for the Judiciary (ENCJ) European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ) European Law Institute (ELI)
10:15 – 10:30	SESSION III Keynote speech: Reimagining justice in the era of AI	Expert TBC
10:30 – 10:50	Coffee break	
10:50 – 11:30	SESSION IV Participants' Panel – AI in judicial practice: first-hand operational experiences <i>Guiding questions:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AI use in daily judicial work: how AI is impacting day-to-day judicial work? - Challenges encountered: what works, and what does not? - How do experiences differ across judicial functions and jurisdictions? <p><i>Interactive Q&A – Discussion with the audience</i></p>	(1) Judge (2) Prosecutor (3) Court Staff <i>If interested in being a panellist, please apply via the application procedure</i>

	<p><i>Each panellist will respond to a pre-selected question, followed by open interaction with the audience</i></p> <p><i>The final content of the panel will be determined on the basis of proposals received through the application procedure</i></p>	
11:30 – 12:45	<p>SESSION V Workshops & Peer-to-peer learning (Round I) Rule of law safeguards for the use of AI in justice: requirements for deployment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Transparency, traceability and explainability of AI systems</i> - <i>Procedural fairness and protection of fundamental rights</i> - <i>Ethical boundaries and “red lines”</i> - <i>Governance and control mechanisms for compliant use of AI systems</i> 	<p><i>Division in 4 WS groups</i></p> <p><i>Moderators</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Group 1. DIGI WG Convener</i> - <i>Group 2. Task Force Member 1</i> - <i>Group 3. TBC</i> - <i>Group 4. TBC</i>
12:45 – 13:45	Photo Group & Lunch break	
13:45 – 14:15	<p>SESSION VI CJEU Keynote – Setting the scene for the workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Artificial Intelligence Ethics Charter</i> - <i>Artificial Intelligence Strategy</i> <p><i>Interactive Q&A – Discussion with the audience</i></p>	<p>Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU)</p>
14:15 – 15:30	<p>SESSION VII Stakeholders’ Panel (Part I) – AI beyond the judiciary</p> <p>Academic/Researcher</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>How to address the impact of AI: initial resistance, automation and potential loss of critical skills</i> <p>Sociologist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Embracing the use of AI and its long-term transformation of judicial systems</i> - <i>Generational gaps and the adaptation to new entrants shaped by AI-driven environments</i> <p>Lawyer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Practical use cases: legal research, legislation and case-law analysis</i> - <i>Impact of AI use AI by lawyers in judicial proceedings</i> - <i>Procedural fairness and equality of arms</i> - <i>Risks of hidden bias</i> <p><i>Interactive Q&A – Discussion with the audience</i></p>	<p>(1) JuLIA project expert TBC</p> <p>(2) Sociologist and scientific director TBC</p> <p>(3) Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE)</p>
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee Break	

15:45 – 17:00	SESSION VIII Workshops & Peer-to-peer learning (Round II) Rule vs. reality: ‘Shadow AI’ and liability in the use of AI in justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rise and implications of ‘Shadow AI’ - Mapping of jurisdictions on AI use in judicial work and existing liability structures 	<i>Division in 4 WS (maintaining the same group composition)</i> Moderators (TBC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1. CEPEJ - Group 2. ENCI - Group 3. CJEU - Group 4. TBC
19:00	Short guided excursion and social dinner at ‘The National Library of Latvia’	

<p>Friday, 25 September 2026</p> <p>Day 2 – Morning (9:00 – 12:30)</p>
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8:45 – 9:00	Welcome and participants registration	Verónica MOLINA HAO EJTN Project Coordinator – Criminal Justice & Digitalisation
9:00 – 10:00	SESSION IX Stakeholders’ Panel (Part II) – AI beyond the judiciary 9:00 – 9:30. Legal Tech <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prompting techniques - Improving AI literacy in the judiciary - Cybersecurity vulnerabilities: data leakage 9:30 – 10:30. Expert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Digital forensics - Admissibility and authentication of AI-generated/processed digital evidence - Deepfakes and how to detect them Interactive Q&A – Discussion with the audience	(1) Legal Tech expert TBC (2) Expert TBC
10:00 – 10:45	SESSION X Workshops & Peer-to-peer learning (Round III) Practitioner voices: coordinating AI experiences, training needs and priorities across Europe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Follow up on Rounds I & II - Best practices exchanges: participants share concrete experiences of AI in their judicial work (open or selected contributor format – to be confirmed via application procedure) - Identification of training needs and coordination priorities for follow-up action <p>The final content of this WS will be determined on the basis of proposals received through the application procedure</p>	<i>Division in WS led by partners and experts (maintaining the same group composition)</i> Moderators (TBC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1. DIGI WG Convener - Group 2. Task Force Member 1 - Group 3. Task Force Member 2 - Group 4. Task Force Member 3

10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break	
11:15 – 12:15	<p>SESSION XI Closing Plenary – Presentation of WS outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Rapporteurs from each WS group present key insights, points of convergence and unresolved tensions</i> - <i>Collective reflection: what does the judiciary need the most in response to the impact of AI?</i> 	<i>Rapporteurs nominated from each WS group</i>
12:15 – 12:30	Closing remarks and next steps	<p>Ingrid DERVEAUX EJTN Secretary General</p> <p>Haffide BOULAKRAS DIGI WG Convener</p>
12:30	End of the EJTN AI Summit: The impact of AI on the judiciary	

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