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New Trends in Digital Regulation: Inside the authority: mandate, enforcement and capacity in the AI society

12-14 April 2026

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Draft Programme

12 April	**The authority in the new rulebook: mandate, fragmentation and regulating under pressure**
09.30 - 10.05	Welcome and introduction to the course Who is in the room — structured participant mapping **Marco Botta** | EUI **Natalia Menéndez González** | EUI **Anna Renata Pisarkiewicz** | EUI
10.05 - 11.00	The authority's mandate: agency, independence and the role of international regulation **Andrea Simoncini** | UNIFI
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 - 12.30	Horizon scan: the next supervisory frontiers **Giovanni Sartor** | EUI (tbc)
12.30 - 13.45	Lunch break
13.45 - 14.45	When the authority automates: algorithmic decision-making in public administration and the constitutional safeguards **Erik Longo** | UNIFI
14.45 - 15.15	Coffee break

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15.15 - 16.30 SIMULATION 1
"Who is competent?": A mapping exercise

Marco Botta | EUI
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13 April **From rulebook to practice: how authorities oversee and enforce**

09.30 - 10.30 Monitoring the responsible use of algorithms: from legal obligation to practice
Gerald Hopster | Dutch DPA, Algorithmic Oversight

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 - 12.00 Risk management of AI in practice: interplay between relevant standards and conformity assessment
Rossella Andronico | European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)

12.00 - 13.15 Lunch break

13.15 - 14.15 Country case study: Ireland
Síona Ryan | Irish Competition and Consumer Protection Commission

14.15 - 14.45 Coffee break

14.45 - 16.30 SIMULATION 2
The supervisory decision: an enforcement exercise

Gerald Hopster | Dutch DPA, Algorithmic Oversight
Rossella Andronico | EDPS
Síona Ryan | Irish Competition and Consumer Protection Commission

19.30 Course dinner: table quiz on the digital rulebook

14 April **Authorities and AI: building technical capacity, from comutation methods to regulatory sandboxes**

09.30 - 10.30 From Gen. AI to Agentic AI – technical introduction
Paolo Boldi | University of Milan

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 - 12.00 Computational antitrust: the use of AI by NCAs
Thibault Schrepel | VU Amsterdam

12.00 - 13.30 Lunch break

13.30 - 14.45 Hands-on clinic: building supervisory capacity through sandboxes — designing a sandbox and drafting the exit report
Kari Laumann | Norwegian DPA

14.45 - 15.15 Coffee break

15.15 - 16.15 The technologist inside the authority: embedding data science in case teams to investigate tech-heavy markets
Emanuel Weitschek | AGCM

16.15 - 16.30 Closing remarks
Pier Luigi Parcu | EUI