MEPs to look into Artificial Intelligence in criminal law on Thursday

The use of Artificial Intelligence by the police and judicial authorities, including facial recognition, will be discussed by the Civil Liberties Committee on Thursday.

The hearing will focus on the benefits and risks of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the criminal law framework, predictive policing, facial recognition, as well as the ethical and fundamental rights implications.

The list of speakers includes representatives from the Council of Europe, the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI), the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) and the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS). Experts from academia, think tanks and civil society will also speak at the hearing.

**When:** Thursday, 20 February, from 14.00 to 17.30

**Where:** European Parliament, Antall building, room 4Q2

**Draft programme** of the hearing.

You can follow the meeting live.

The Culture and Education Committee will hold a public hearing with experts on the use of AI in education, culture and audiovisual sectors on Wednesday afternoon.

The Industry and Internal Market Committees will also discuss Artificial Intelligence and new initiatives in the digital sector with Commissioner Thierry Breton on Wednesday afternoon.

Commissioner Thierry Breton will also exchange views with members of the Legal Affairs Committee on Thursday morning, following the first exchange of views on the committee's AI reports on Wednesday.

**Background**

The Commission is expected to propose new legislation during the beginning of its term on the human and ethical implications of AI. It should present the first plans for a European approach to AI on Wednesday.
Further information
Background information about the hearing

EP Research: Understanding algorithmic decision-making: Opportunities and challenges

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