



LLM
AI in Legal Practice and Its Regulation

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Module

Artificial Intelligence & Intellectual Property

Lecturers

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Course description

Artificial intelligence has taken centre stage in contemporary societies. Among many other areas of law, artificial intelligence has had a significant impact on intellectual property. Is artificial intelligence-generated content eligible for protection by intellectual property rights? Do artificial intelligence systems qualify as authors or inventors? And are such systems, or their owners, liable to infringe those rights? Or are uses of works by artificial intelligence systems covered by current exceptions to copyright? How should trademark misuse by artificial intelligence systems be dealt with, particularly when it leads to consumer confusion? And how can trade secrets be protected, if at all, from dissemination by artificial intelligence systems?

These and other highly topical issues will be addressed in this course by renown experts in the field. More than seeking definitive answers to them, the course faculty will endeavor to introduce students to the foundations of the national, European and international intellectual property regimes, and to situate those issues in the broader context of the rules and principles that govern the contemporary intellectual property system, stimulating students' interest in undertaking their own research on the topics addressed.

The course will comprise a total of 36 teaching hours, of which 24 will be lecture-based and 12 consist of tutorials aimed at guiding students in their individual research work.

Syllabus (the lecturers of each topic and the dates and times of the lectures are indicated between brackets)

1st Week

9. **Introduction: Fundamentals of Intellectual Property and the Challenges Posed by AI** (Dário Moura Vicente – Friday, 7 May 2027, 18:00-20:00).
10. **AI, Copyright and Neighbouring Rights: Overview and Context** (João Pedro Quintais – Saturday, 8 May 2027, 9:30-11:15).
11. **AI, Copyright and Neighbouring Rights: Practical Issues** (Sofia Casimiro, **Corporate** – Saturday, 8 May 2027, 11:30-13:30).
12. **AI Policies and Copyright** (Ana Ramalho - Monday, 10 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).



13. **Tutorials** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Tuesday, 11 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).
14. **Tutorials** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Wednesday, 12 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).

2nd Week

15. **AI and Patents** (João de Oliveira Geraldes – Friday, 14 May 2027, 18:00-20:00)
16. **AI and Trademarks: Overview and Context** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Saturday, 15 May 2027, 9:30-11:15).
17. **AI and Trademarks: Practical Issues** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Saturday, 15 May 2027, 11:30-13:30).
18. **AI Regulation and IP** (Manuel Lopes Rocha – Monday, 17 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).
19. **Tutorials** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Tuesday, 18 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).
20. **Tutorials** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Wednesday, 19 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).

3rd Week

21. **AI and Unfair Competition** (Thomas Hoeren – Friday, 21 May 2027, 18:00-20:00).
22. **AI and Trade Secrets** (João de Oliveira Geraldes – Saturday, 22 May 2027, 9:30-11:15).
23. **The Enforcement of IP Rights and AI** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Saturday, 22 May 2027, 11:30-13:30).
24. **IP Licensing and AI** (Manuel Lopes Rocha – Monday, 24 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).
25. **Tutorials** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Tuesday, 25 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).
26. **Tutorials** (Vítor Palmela Fidalgo – Wednesday, 26 May 2027, 9:00-11:00).

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