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24th Commonwealth Law Conference, Malta Al regulations; Concept and governance



Approaching Al as a Regulator



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Lawyers' ethical obligations



Confidentiality

Competent and independent advice

Fair and reasonable costs

Trust in the legal system

Lawyers should not enter confidential, sensitive or privileged information into public AI (like ChatGPT). If using commercial tools, lawyers must review contractual terms to ensure information will be kept secure.

Lawyers must provide competent and independent legal advice. Al is not a substitute for a lawyers own forensic judgment. Lawyers must verify all Al outputs.

Costs must be fair and reasonable. Lawyers cannot increase costs to cover extra time spent verifying or correcting Al output.

Lawyers should not bring the legal profession or justice system into disrepute by using AI irresponsibly.

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- >>> Monitor developments
- >>> Identify and alert the profession to risks
- >>> Provide guidance & encourage ethical use
- >>> Promote technological literacy



Opportunities from Al









Lawyer wellbeing

Re-think legal services

Access to justice

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