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ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND JUSTICE: SOME PERSPECTIVES IN THE EU CONTEXT

The *COVID-19* pandemic exposed the weaknesses of European judicial systems, accelerating the shift toward greater digitalization of justice. In response, the European Union has promoted an integrated approach to fully leverage the potential of artificial intelligence while safeguarding fundamental rights. The *AI Act* marks the first attempt to establish a harmonized legal framework for the use of AI within the EU, emphasizing the importance of maintaining human oversight in decision-making processes. In the judicial context, AI is classified as high-risk technology due to its potential impact on individual rights and freedoms. According to the strategy of the Court of Justice of the European Union, algorithms should play a supportive role without undermining the autonomy of judges. Nonetheless, concerns persist about the unpredictability of AI outcomes and the risk of excessive dependence on technology. It will be crucial to monitor how the EU adapts its regulatory framework, once fully in force, to ensure that judicial proceedings remain fair, secure, and respectful of fundamental rights at all levels.