

# Munich Digital Day 2025

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Munich



**10.00 am-4pm CEST**

TIME / DURATION	SESSION
9.30-10am	<b>Registration</b>
10-10.15am	<b>Welcome</b> <p>Dr Stephan Ulrich Partner, Corporate M&amp;A, Düsseldorf Office Head Christopher Götz, LL.M. (New York) Partner, Head of Digital Business, Germany</p> <p>Simmons &amp; Simmons LLP</p> <b>Description</b> <p>Brief welcome from Simmons &amp; Simmons</p>
10.20-10.50am	<b>Keynote: GDPR and AI Act – Unlocking synergies instead of duplicating regulations</b> <p>Michael Will President of the Bavarian State Office for Data Protection Supervision (BayLDA)</p> <b>Description</b> <p>As the regulatory landscape for digital technologies evolves, ensuring alignment between the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the upcoming AI Act is critical. This presentation explores how organizations can navigate both frameworks effectively, leveraging shared principles and compliance processes to reduce friction and regulatory overlap.</p>

11.00-11.25am	<p><b>Fine-tuning under the AI Act – What companies need to know</b></p> <p>Christopher Götz, LL.M. (New York), Partner (Munich)  Dr Tina Gausling, LL.M. (Columbia University), Counsel (Munich)  Simmons &amp; Simmons LLP</p> <p><b>Description</b></p> <p>One question looms large for developers and deployers of AI systems: What are the legal implications of fine-tuning? This session will explore how fine-tuning affects the potential shift in responsibilities between providers and deployers. We'll also cover compliance considerations for organizations adapting general-purpose AI models to specific use cases, and what this means for documentation, transparency, and risk management obligations.</p>
11.30-12.00pm	<p><b>Supercharging AI, Data &amp; People: How IT runs and transforms the business</b></p> <p>David Vorih  Member of the Siemens Group IT Board &amp; CIO of Siemens Financial Services</p> <p><b>Description</b></p> <p>This session provides insights on how Siemens Financial Services (SFS) enables a successful digital transformation of its business - highlighting the relevance of IT as the digital backbone. With a future-proof platform strategy in place, they are further forging the path for open, digital business models that empower Siemens and SFS to collaborate with customers and partners. While data and AI capabilities amplify the existing digital business and drive the pioneering spirit, these technologies also present new regulatory hurdles and the need to cultivate new skills and mindsets.</p>
12-1pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>
1.10-1.30pm	<p><b>Status Update: Germany's national implementation of the EU AI Act</b></p> <p>Evelyn Graß  Head of Division VIA2 – Artificial Intelligence  at the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy  Vice Chair of the OECD Working Party AI Governance</p> <p><b>Description</b></p> <p>While the EU AI Act sets out harmonized rules across the EU, Member States retain certain responsibilities for enforcement and implementation aspects. This session provides an up-to-date overview of the German government's draft legislation to implement the EU AI Act, including supervisory structures, national enforcement strategy and the interplay with existing regulatory frameworks – drilling down on various sectors (e.g. financial sector).</p>

1.35-2.05pm	<p><b>Antitrust Considerations In The Provision And Deployment Of AI Solutions</b></p> <p>Dr Andrea Pomana, Partner (Frankfurt) Sarah Smith, Partner, Head of UK Competition and Antitrust (London) Simmons &amp; Simmons LLP</p> <p><b>Description</b></p> <p>As AI solutions become increasingly integrated across sectors, questions around market dominance, data access, and competition law are moving to the forefront. This session will unpack the key antitrust issues emerging in the development and deployment of AI — from exclusivity clauses and data pooling to potential gatekeeping concerns. We'll explore recent enforcement trends and provide practical insights for ensuring compliance while fostering innovation.</p>
2.10-2.30pm	<p><b>AI Liability</b></p> <p>Kai Zenner Head of Office &amp; Digital Policy Advisor of MEP Axel Voss of the European Parliament</p> <p><b>Description</b></p> <p>The second von der Leyen Commission wants to shift the focus from regulation to innovation, in particular by simplifying the current legislative framework. Yet, despite this new course, the Work Program 25 proposes many new policy initiatives. What does it mean for the EU strategy on Artificial Intelligence? The presentation give an outlook with a focus on the AI Act and AILD.</p>
2.30-2.50pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>
2.55-3.15pm	<p><b>Turning Point Health AI: From Political Will to Industrial Action</b> (panel discussion)</p> <p>Dr Stephanie Nottrott, Partner, Head of Dispute Resolution (Munich) Simmons &amp; Simmons LLP Nick Schneider Head of Division 511 - New Technologies and Data Use at the German Federal Ministry of Health Joe Lennerz Chief Scientific Officer at BostonGene (USA)</p> <p><b>Description</b></p> <p>This panel brings together key stakeholders from the German government, US health industry and legal field to explore how political and legal momentum around AI and health data (e.g. European Health Data Space, AI Act) can translate into meaningful business models. Amongst others, our speakers will discuss their take on AI regulation and use of health data, comparing the different approaches taken by the US and the EU, AI use cases as well as a vision for the next decade.</p>

3.20-3.40pm	<p><b>AI regulatory landscape in the US – An overview</b></p> <p>Robin Power Kynaston General Counsel, Privacy, Data &amp; AI Governance at Honeywell</p> <p><b>Description</b> In this session, we will provide an overview of emerging AI laws and regulations in the United States and discuss their impact on internationally operating companies.</p>
3.45-4pm	<p><b>Closing remarks</b></p> <p>Christopher Götz, LL.M. (New York) Partner, Head of Digital Business, Germany Simmons &amp; Simmons LLP</p> <p><b>Description</b> Brief closing remarks followed by drinks .</p>

