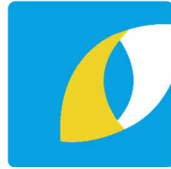




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**Legal Challenges Arising from Digital Transformation:
A Comparative Analysis of France, Germany, and Egypt**



27.09. – 30.09.2026
GUC Faculty of Law
Abdel Nasser, New Cairo 1, Cairo Governorate, Egypt

PROGRAMM

Sunday 27th September 2026

9h00 Arrival, Registration and Welcome at GUC

9h30 – 10h30 Opening Session

- Inaugural addresses:
 - Prof. Dr. **Yasser HIGAZY**, President of the German University in Cairo (GUC)
 - Prof. Dr. **Yassin EL SHAZLY**, Dean of the Faculty of Law of the Ain Shams University
- Introduction about the conference by the two chairs:
 - Prof. Dr. **Michael JAENSCH**
 - Dr. **Géraldine DEMME**

10h30 – 11h00 Coffee break

Module 1

Intellectual Property and Artificial Intelligence

Chair of the session

Prof. Dr. **Michael JAENSCH**, HTW Berlin, Founding Dean Faculty of Law, GUC

11h00 – 12h00 Lectures and discussions

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| 11h00 – 11h20 | Prof. Dr. Yassin EL SHAZLY , Dean of the Faculty of Law of the Ain Shams University. <i>Intellectual Property Law: Ownership and Protection of Works Generated by AI</i> |
| 11h20 – 11h40 | Prof. Dr. Stephanie ROHLFING DIJOUX , Université Paris Nanterre. <i>Artificial Intelligence and Intellectual Property Protection: Challenges and Opportunities</i> |
| 11h40 – 12h00 | Discussion |

12h00 – 13h30 Lunch Break

Module 2

Data Protection

Chair of the session

Dr. Géraldine DEMME, Maître de conférences, Université Paris Nanterre

13h30 – 15h00 Lectures and discussions

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| 13h30 – 13h50 | Dr. Mina ZAHER , Ass. Prof., Directeur de l'Institut Franco-Egyptien de Droit (IFED) de l'Université Ain Shams <i>The Protection of Personal Data in the Context of Private International Law</i> |
| 13h50 – 14h10 | Mohamed WAHBA , PhD Student, Teaching Assistant, Université Ain Shams. <i>Civil liability Arising from Data Protection - Comparative Study in France, Germany, and Egypt</i> |
| 14h10 – 14h30 | Rasmus SALANDER , akademischer Mitarbeiter, Universität Potsdam. <i>Cross-border Data Transfer under the European Union's GDPR</i> |
| 14h30 – 15h00 | Discussion |

16h00 Intercultural event at the French Institute in Egypt

Monday 28th September 2026

Module 3

Technological Risks, Liability and the Duty to Protect

Chair of the session

Dr. Inès TAHA, Lecturer, Faculty of Law, GUC

9h30 – 12h00 Lectures and discussions

9h30 – 9h50 **Lojine HANTERA**, Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Law, GUC. *Liability for damages caused by AI or robotics*

9h50 – 10h10 **Dr. Nolwen LE GUENNEC**, Post-doctorante, Université Paris Nanterre – Universität Potsdam. *Extending the Precautionary Principle to the Digital Sphere: Conditions and Use Cases*

10h10 – 10h30 Discussion

10h30 – 11h00 Coffee break

11h00 – 11h20 **Prof. Dr. Kerstin PEGLOW**, Université Paris Nanterre. *German and European Consumer Protection Law Facing Digitalization*

11h20 – 11h40 **Prof. Dr. Laurent SERMET**, Vice-Président chargé de la recherche et des partenariats, Université Française d'Égypte, Le Caire. *Artificial Intelligence versus Freedom. The Human Rights Perspective*

11h40 – 12h00 Discussion

12h00 – 13h30 Lunch Break

Module 4

Public Governance and State Sovereignty in the Digital Age

Chair of the session

Prof. Dr. **Stephanie ROHLFING DIJOUX**, Université Paris Nanterre

13h30 – 15h30 Lectures and discussions

13h30 – 13h50 Prof. Dr. **Stéphane PILLET**, Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3 /
Coordinateur pour l'Institut Franco-Egyptien de Droit (IFED),
Université Ain Shams. *Technological Innovation and State
Sovereignty from a Historical Perspective*

13h50 – 14h10 **Salma SOLIMAN**, Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Law, GUC.
Cyber Warfare in Armed Conflict

14h10 – 14h30 Discussion

14h30 – 14h50 Dr. **Inès TAHA**, Lecturer, Faculty of Law, GUC. *Tax System
and Digital Transformation in Egypt*

14h50 – 15h10 **Maxime BIGAL**, Doctorand, Universität Potsdam. *The
European Approach to Digital Taxation*

15h10 – 15h30 Discussion

15h30 – 16h00 Coffee break

Module 5

Criminal Law and Emerging Technologies

Chair of the session

Prof. Dr. **Stéphane PILLET**, Université Lyon III Jean Moulin / Université Ain Shams

16h00 – 17h00 Lectures and discussions

16h00 – 16h20	Ségolène SIMONNET , Docteure en droit privé, Enseignante-chercheuse contractuelle, Université de Tours. <i>Criminal Law in the Age of Technology: What Becomes of Doubt?</i>
16h20 – 16h40	Dr. Ahmed ELKAHWAGY , Assistant Professor of Criminal Law, Alexandria University, Lecturer at GUC. <i>Cryptocurrencies, Blockchain and Criminal Law</i>
16h40 – 17h00	Discussion

Tuesday 29th September 2026

Module 6

Living in the Digital Age

Chair of the session

Prof. Dr. **Kerstin PEGLOW**, Université Paris Nanterre

9h30 – 12h30 Lectures and discussion

09h30 – 09h50 **Salma Ismail HASSAN-SABRY**, Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Law, GUC. *Autonomous Ships, Digital Navigation Systems, and Legal Challenges in International Waters*

09h50 – 10h10 Prof. Dr. **André NIEDOSTADEK**, LL.M., Professur für Wirtschafts-, Arbeits- und Sozialrecht, Hochschule Harz, *Repairing Instead of Litigating? The Limits of Legal Conflict Resolution in the Digital Age*

10h10 – 10h30 Discussion

10h30 – 11h00 Coffee break

11h00 – 11h20 **Thomas ABDO**, Doctorant, Université Paris Nanterre - Europa-Universität Viadrina. *Smart Cities in the Digital Age: Environmental Law Perspectives and Sustainable Urban Development*

11h20 – 11h40 **Marie ROSSIER**, Doctorante, Université Paris Nanterre / Universität Potsdam. *Digitalization as a Legal Challenge: Comparative Perspectives between different Civil Law systems*

11h40 – 12h00

Prof. Dr. **Michael JAENSCH**, HTW Berlin, Founding Dean
Faculty of Law, GUC. *Self-executing Smart Contracts*

12h00 – 12h30

Discussion

12h30 – 13h30

Lunch Break

13h30 Cultural Programm

Wednesday 30th September 2026

Workshops

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9h30 30 GUC students and the young researchers involved in the program meet and are divided into six groups according to their interests and the topics proposed.

9h30 – 12h30	Thematic Deepening through collaboration between students and young researchers
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With the support of PhD and Master's students, each group will explore one of the six programm modules in greater depth.

Objective: After the lecture series, identify and analyze the major legal challenges related to digital transformation and develop reflections tailored to the French, German, and Egyptian contexts. The results will be presented in a plenary session in the form of brief oral reports.

10h30 – 11h00 Coffee break / 12h30 – 14h00 Lunch Break

14h00 – 16h30	Report on the results of the workshops by students and young researchers
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14h00 – 14h20 : Groupe 1 / 14h20 – 14h40 : Groupe 2 / 14h40 – 15h00 : Groupe 3

15h00 – 15h30 Coffee break

15h30 – 15h50 : Groupe 4 / 15h50 – 16h10 : Groupe 5 / 16h10 – 16h30 : Groupe 6

16h30 – 17h00	Summary of the conference by the co-directors and closing session
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19h30	Farewell Dinner Cruise on the Nile
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