Meet the Author Series: Algorithmic discrimination under EU law (Dr. Philipp Hacker)

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Debate with the author of an academic paper entitled "Teaching fairness to artificial intelligence: Existing and novel strategies against algorithmic discrimination under EU law", Common Market Law Review (Issue 55, 2018, pp. 1143–1185), written by Dr Philipp Hacker of Humboldt University in Berlin.

The article discusses the impact of artificial intelligence applications for EU anti-discrimination law which may struggle to adequately capture algorithmic decision making. The topic is also crucial for data protection law, if only because of the specific protection against automated decision making in the GDPR. The article suggests an integrated vision of anti-discrimination and data protection law to enforce fairness in the digital age. The GDPR toolkit, with independent data protection authorities and specific tools like a data protection impact assessment, could play an important role here.

12.15-12.45	Arrival and lunch
12.45-14.00	"Teaching fairness to artificial intelligence: Existing and novel strategies against algorithmic discrimination under EU law'" • Introduction by Dr Hielke Hijmans, Brussels Privacy Hub. • Critical remarks by Mr Paul Nemitz, European Commission • Critical remarks by Prof. Gloria González-Fuster, Brussels Privacy Hub • Reactions of the author
14.00-14.30	Discussion with discussants, authors and audience, chaired by Dr Hielke Hijmans