

## First Rules of the Artificial Intelligence Act are Now Applicable



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As of Sunday, 2 February, the first rules under the Artificial Intelligence Act (AI Act) started to apply.

This includes the AI system definition, AI literacy, as well as a very limited number of prohibited AI use cases outlined in the AI Act that pose unacceptable risks in the EU.

To facilitate innovation in AI, the Commission will publish guidelines on AI system definition. This aims to assist the industry in determining whether a software system constitutes an AI system.

The Commission will also release a living repository of [AI literacy practices](#) gathered from AI systems' providers and deployers. This will encourage learning and exchange among them while ensuring that users develop the necessary skills and understanding to effectively use AI technologies.

To help ensure compliance with the AI Act, the Commission will publish guidelines on the prohibited AI practices that are posing unacceptable risks to citizens' safety and fundamental rights.

These guidelines will explain the legal concepts and provide practical use cases, based on stakeholder input. They are not binding and will be updated as necessary. The Commission has launched several initiatives to promote innovation in AI, from the [AI innovation package](#) supporting startups and SMEs to the upcoming [AI Factories](#) which will provide access to the massive computing power that start-ups, industry and researchers need to develop their AI models and systems.

More information and the [AI Act](#).

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