



Seminar

Legal English: Navigating Blockchain Technology in the EU

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DRAFT PROGRAMME

Objectives: The seminar aims to equip participants with a solid foundation in legal English, focusing on key concepts, terminology, and expressions relevant to blockchain and emerging technologies. It covers the EU regulatory framework, including initiatives such as EBSI and MiCA, and explores legal implications related to digital assets, data protection, digital identity, and cybersecurity. Participants will also develop skills in effective legal communication, including clear writing, oral presentation, and strategies for conveying complex legal concepts to diverse audiences. Interactive workshops and case studies, including the EU AI Act, will provide practical experience for applying legal English and regulatory knowledge in real-world contexts.

Dr. Nishat Hyder-Rahman is currently a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB). Her research interests are at the intersection of technology, law and ethics, in the context of health/medicine and family matters. Nishat is equally interested in the use of the English language within the legal domain and has delivered several Legal English sessions for EIPA over the past few years. Previously, at Tilburg University, Nishat taught on several undergraduate courses linked to the English Language and Skills courses run by the university's Language Centre. Additionally, she is a freelance English language proofreader, focusing on legal (academic) texts, n.hyderahman@gmail.com

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TUESDAY 23 February 2027

- 08.30 Registration/Login of participants
- 09.00 **Welcome of participants and introduction to the programme**
- Objectives and expected outcomes
 - Introduction to the Legal English seminar methodology
- Cristina M. Mariottini
- 09.30 **General Legal English (I)**
- General introductory course to legal English which will address key concepts in different legal fields, expressions and other relevant aspects for a better understanding of legal texts in English, with a focus on blockchain technology
- Nishat Hyder-Rahman
- 10.15 **Q&A**
- 10.30 Coffee Break
- 11.00 **General Legal English (II)**
- General introductory course to legal English which will address key concepts in different legal fields, expressions and other relevant aspects for a better understanding of legal texts in English, with a focus on blockchain technology
- Nishat Hyder-Rahman
- 11.45 **Q&A**
- 12.00 **Legal English Workshop**
- During this session, participants will engage in interactive legal English exercises
- Nishat Hyder-Rahman
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.30 **EU Regulatory Framework for Blockchain**
- Overview of EU initiatives and regulatory frameworks governing blockchain (e.g., EBSI, MiCA)
 - Analysis of recent regulatory developments
- Cristina M. Mariottini
- 15.15 **Q&A**
- 15.30 Coffee Break



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- 16.00 **Blockchain Technology, Legal Processes and Document Integrity: Key Concepts and Terminology** Fundamentals of blockchain technology and its legal implications (token, digital asset, crypto-asset, DLT, NLP, ...)
• Examination of key issues such as data protection, digital identity, and cybersecurity
Cristina M. Mariottini
- 17.00 **Q&A**
- 17.15 End of Day 1

WEDNESDAY 24 February 2027

- 09.00 **Strategies for Effective Legal Communication in Emerging Technologies**
• Best practices for clear and persuasive legal writing and oral presentations
• Tailoring legal language for diverse audiences, including practitioners, regulators, and academics
• Overcoming challenges in communicating complex legal concepts
Nadia Rusinova
- 09.45 **Q&A**
- 10.00 Coffee Break
- 10.30 **Workshop**
Nadia Rusinova, Patrick Gielen
- 11.30 **The EU AI Act: Case study**
Patrick Gielen, Nadia Rusinova
- 12.30 **Closing Remarks**
- 12.45 **Evaluation**
- 13.00 **END OF SEMINAR**



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