

Government Automated Decision Systems: A Task Force for New York City

Wednesday, May 23, 2018
10am-12pm
Fordham Law School
150 W. 62nd Street, New York, NY
Room 7-119

Agenda

Welcome - *N. Cameron Russell, Fordham CLIP; Eric Mathevet and Christelle Papineau, GALATEA*
Opening Remarks - *Céline Castets-Renard, Fordham CLIP*
Panelist Introductions
Roundtable Discussion

Context

Government use of automated decision-making systems has broad and varied effects on people. NYC Council Member James Vacca introduced a bill that was enacted into NYC Local Law 49 in 2018. This NYC Algorithms Law gives the city up to 24 months to create a task force required to present the Mayor and, ultimately, the public with recommendations on identifying automated decision-making systems in New York City government, developing procedures to identify and remedy harms, developing a process for public review, and assessing the feasibility of archiving automated decision-making systems and relevant data.

The questions the task force must address are very tricky, but its findings and recommendations can serve as a national or international model for other cities and states grappling with the opportunities and challenges presented by the use of automated decision-making systems. At the same time, in the European Union, the adoption of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) also tries to address this issue and gives some rights to data subjects on automated decision-making, including with respect to profiling (GDPR, Art. 22).

Goals

The goals for this event are to discuss these complex issues, brainstorm as a working group, and provide some recommendations to assist and potentially guide the future task force to achieve its mission.

Participants

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