



STRATEGIC EU COMPLIANCE & GOVERNANCE: Disinformation under the Digital Services Act (DSA)



AUDIENCE

Legal professionals,
public policy
experts and
compliance officers



DURATION

Half day
(2-4 hours,
depending on
desired depth)



FORMAT

Interactive expert-
led workshop with
group discussions
and case studies



MATERIALS

Presentation slides
Compliance and
strategy checklist
Access to follow-up
resources

The EU's Digital Services Act ('DSA'), applicable since February 2024 to all designated Very Large Online Platforms (VLOPs) and Very Large Online Search Engines (VLOSEs), sets out ambitious obligations to ensure transparency, accountability, and systemic risk mitigation – including disinformation.

This seminar outlines the key elements of the Act and examines recent enforcement trends, offering professionals a clear overview of this fast-evolving area.

By the end of this seminar, participants will:

- Understand the legal framework and compliance obligations under the Digital Services Act (DSA);
- Be able to identify how disinformation is treated as a systemic risk and what legal tools address it;
- Have explored the intersection of fundamental rights and platform regulation;
- Have analyzed real-world enforcement examples and developed practical insights for risk mitigation,
- Have discussed upcoming legislative developments and strategic responses.

Sample Agenda

This training is designed to foster engagement and interaction among participants, ensuring that they all leave with a clear understanding of the act and actionable insights for your company.

It can be adapted to your company's individual needs as every training includes a video (call) to optimize the training. For an optimal learning effect, we recommend face-to-face training, however, trainings can also be held online.

14:00 PM – 14:30 PM | Setting the Scene: Disinformation in the EU Regulatory Context

- The role of online platforms in shaping public discourse
- Why disinformation matters: Strategic and democratic implications
- Introduction to the DSA: Origins, goals and systemic risk approach
- Discussion: Platform responsibility and freedom of expression – where to draw the line?

14:30 PM – 15:30 PM | The Legal Framework: Transparency, Accountability & Risk Mitigation under the DSA & Related Legal Frameworks

- Scope of the DSA: Focus on Very Large Online Platforms (VLOPs) and Search Engines (VLOSEs)
- Key compliance obligations: Transparency, algorithmic accountability and content moderation
- Disinformation as a systemic risk: Legal definitions, thresholds and enforcement levers
- Risk assessments and mitigation: What platforms must do
- EMFA, Digital Markets Act and AI Act linkages

15:30 PM – 15:45 PM | Coffee Break

15:45 PM – 16:15 PM | Case Studies: Enforcement and Regulatory Trends

- Landmark enforcement examples from 2024–2025
- Cross-border cooperation and roles of national regulators vs. the European Commission
- Lessons learned from the first DSA risk assessments and audits

16:15 PM – 16:45 PM | The Rights Dimension: Balancing Regulation and Freedoms

- The interplay between the DSA and fundamental rights (freedom of expression, access to information)
- Transparency in algorithmic amplification and recommender systems
- Legal challenges and civil society responses

16:45 PM – 17:00 PM | Final Reflections and Open Q&A

- Key takeaways
- Participant questions and case-specific exchanges



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