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Welcome to this week's edition of the CAIDP Update, your source for the latest AI policy news and CAIDP actions.

In this week's news, we bring you updates on the Council of Europe's AI treaty, EU lawmakers' consideration of compromise amendments on AI regulation, the German Federal Constitutional Court's ban on police use of AI software, and President Biden's executive order on advancing racial equity for AI systems, among other important developments.

In CAIDP's latest actions, the organization has urged EU leaders to prioritize the completion of the AI Act and warned that the absence of a legal framework could put public safety and fundamental rights at risk. CAIDP Research Director Merve Hickok also emphasized the importance of legal rules in protecting human rights with AI in a recent interview for Wired.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the upcoming release of the CAIDP report, "Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values" on April 6th, 2023. This comprehensive report will provide valuable insights into the progress of countries towards safeguarding human rights and the rule of law through AI policy and practices.

Stay informed and join CAIDP in advocating for transparency and accountability in AI systems.

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AI POLICY NEWS

CoE Committee Unveils Guiding Principles for AI Convention

The Council of Europe Committee on Artificial Intelligence has released a revised 'Zero Draft' of the Framework Convention on Artificial Intelligence, Human Rights, Democracy, and the Rule of Law. The document sets out guiding principles including anti-discrimination, privacy, transparency, safety, and accountability that will apply to the design, development, and application of AI systems. CAIDP is participating as an expert Observer for the Committee on AI.



[CAIDP, Council of Europe AI Treaty](#)

EU Lawmakers Consider Compromise Amendments on AI Regulation

EURACTIV reports that EU lawmakers are considering compromise amendments for the AI Act. Last week, they were unable to reach agreement on some important aspects, such as regulations for biometric categorization and facial-scraping databases. The co-rapporteurs will need to establish a new timeline for further discussions, as the next technical meeting is scheduled for February 27th.



[CAIDP, EU AI Act](#)

German Constitutional Court Bans Police Use of AI Software

The German Federal Constitutional Court has ruled that the use of Palantir AI software by police in Hesse and Hamburg is unconstitutional. The case, brought by the German Society for Civil Rights, argued that the software's use for predictive policing raised the risk of mistakes and discrimination by law enforcement.



CAIDP, AI and Democratic Values

Biden Signs Executive Order Advancing Racial Equity for AI Systems

President Joe Biden has signed an Executive Order aimed at promoting racial equity and supporting underserved communities through the federal government. Among other requirements, the Order places new equity obligations on federal agencies that deploy AI systems, and directs agencies to "prevent and remedy discrimination, including by protecting the public from algorithmic discrimination."



CAIDP, AI Bill of Rights

Consumer Groups Concerned About EU-US AI Roadmap

The European Consumer Organisation (BEUC) and the Transatlantic Consumer Dialogue (TACD) have expressed concerns about the EU-US 'joint roadmap' on AI that was developed as part of the Trade and Technology Council. The consumer and digital rights organizations are calling on policymakers to ensure that the roadmap does not interfere with how AI is regulated in either the EU or the US as the deployment of AI systems can have major negative implications for people's privacy, capacity to make autonomous decisions, and hold businesses responsible in case of errors.



CAIDP, EU-US Trade and Technology Council

Global Leaders Call for Responsible Use of AI in Military Domain

Government representatives from around the world have agreed to a joint call to action at the REAIM summit, calling for the responsible development, deployment, and use of AI in the military domain. The two-day summit brought together 2,000 delegates with the establishment of a Global Commission on AI to raise awareness, clarify definitions, and determine responsible development, manufacture, and deployment.



CAIDP, AI and Democratic Values

Investors Urge EU to Ensure Human Rights Protection in AI Act

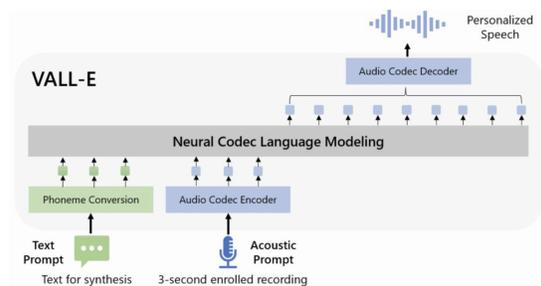
Investors representing over US\$1.66 trillion in assets under management have called on the European Parliament to ensure that the proposed AI Act protects human rights and does not limit civic freedoms and democratic processes. The investors have recommended the adoption of meaningful human rights impact assessment requirements for developing and deploying AI systems, the expansion of publicly viewable database requirements to ensure transparency, among other measures.



CAIDP, EU AI Act

Microsoft's VALL-E AI Program Raises Concerns

Microsoft has developed a new AI program called VALL-E that can recreate human voices using only a three-second audio clip. This advanced model has the capability to create more realistic-sounding voices compared to its predecessors. However, there are concerns that this technology that mimic actual human speakers could spread misinformation and also pose a significant risk to security.



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CAIDP ACTIONS

CAIDP Urges EU Leaders to Prioritize Completion of AI Act

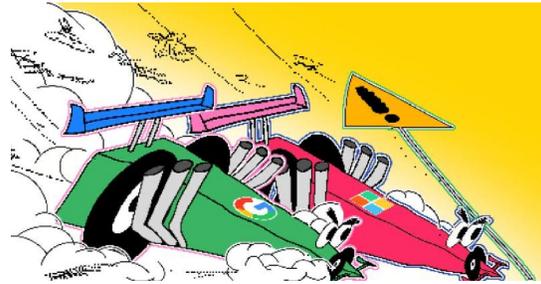
CAIDP has sent a [statement](#) to the European Union leaders regarding the EU AI Act, expressing support for the transparency and accountability provisions and making recommendations to ensure that the Act fulfills its purpose of protecting fundamental rights and public safety. CAIDP urged the Swedish Presidency to complete the trilogue in the first half of 2023, warning that the absence of a legal framework for AI systems could put public safety and health, and fundamental rights at risk.



[CAIDP, EU AI Act](#)

CAIDP Research Director on Protecting Human Rights with AI Law

CAIDP Research Director Merve Hickok participated in an interview for a [Wired](#) article titled "Chatbots Got Big—and Their Ethical Red Flags Got Bigger," along with other technology experts. She emphasized the insufficiency of self-regulation and ethical principles. According to Hickok, meaningful human rights protections in the realm of AI require legal standards.



[CAIDP, AI and Democratic Values](#)

CAIDP Joins Coalition Urging EU to Strengthen Protection of Migrant Rights

CAIDP joined a [coalition](#) of 200 civil society organizations and academics to call on the EU negotiators to better protect the rights of all people, regardless of their migration status. The campaign aims to prevent AI systems from violating the rights of migrants through practices such as "digital pushbacks" and biased biometric analysis.

[CAIDP, EU AI Act](#)



PUBLIC VOICE OPPORTUNITIES

UN Office of the Tech Envoy - Global Digital Compact and AI

The Office of the Tech Envoy is seeking comments on the Global Digital Compact, to be adopted at the Summit of the Future which will be held in September 2023. The Secretary-General has proposed that the Global Digital Compact outlines shared principles for an open, free and secure digital future for all.

CAIDP, Public Voice



AI AND DEMOCRATIC VALUES INDEX

CAIDP's Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values Index evaluates national AI policies and practices.

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- Valsamis Mitsilegas, Queen Mary University of London, about the AIDV Index

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GLOBAL ACADEMIC NETWORK (GAN) NEWS

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GAN Member

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Analyses From Members of the CAIDP Global Academic Network

More than a Glitch

Confronting Race, Gender, and Ability Bias in Tech

"When technology reinforces inequality, it's not just a glitch—it's a signal that we need to redesign our systems to create a more equitable world.

The word "glitch" implies an incidental error, as easy to patch up as it is to identify. But what if racism, sexism, and ableism aren't just bugs in mostly functional machinery—what if they're coded into the system itself? In the vein of

heavy hitters such as Safiya Umoja Noble, Cathy O'Neil, and Ruha Benjamin, Meredith Broussard demonstrates in *More Than a Glitch* how neutrality in tech is a myth and why algorithms need to be held accountable."

By Meredith Broussard

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AI POLICY EVENTS

- [Global Conference on Internet for Democracy](#), UNESCO, Paris, February 21-23, 2023
- [Release of *Artificial Intelligence and Democratic Values*](#), CAIDP, Washington DC, April 6, 2023
- [Committee on Artificial Intelligence Plenary meeting](#), Council of Europe, Strasbourg, April 19-21, 2023
- [Computers, Privacy, and Data Protection](#), Brussels, May 24-26, 2023

- [Committee on Artificial Intelligence Plenary meeting](#), Council of Europe, Strasbourg, May 31-June 2, 2023
 - [Committee on Artificial Intelligence Plenary meeting](#), Council of Europe, Strasbourg, September 13-15, 2023
 - [Global Privacy Assembly](#), Bermuda, October 15-20, 2023
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A virtual [event](#) to commemorate the 2nd anniversary of the paper, [On the Dangers of Stochastic Parrots: Can Language Models Be Too Big?](#)



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