

## AI: The Murky Regulatory Outlook . . .and What's Next

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In 2025, artificial intelligence (AI) will continue to dominate headlines and garner the attention of industry and government leaders as well as the average consumer, with there likely to be important policy and regulatory developments this year that will be key indicators of how AI innovation, development, and use will continue.

In the U.S., President Trump has surrounded himself with AI industry leaders and, in the first days of his Presidency, has signaled that he favors innovation over regulation and will be shifting away from the policy goals of his predecessor who was focused on mitigating the many risks associated with AI.

The European Union (EU) has led the way in efforts to regulate AI, emphasizing risk mitigation and oversight, with enforcement of its AI Act on the horizon. U.S. state and local governments are leading the way in the U.S. with laws and regulations specifically addressing AI systems that lean towards the EU's approach. These various laws, which differ in applicability and scope, create the possibility of there being a patchwork of overlapping and conflicting regulations and laws.

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