Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar: Next steps for AI technology in the criminal justice system

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 18th April 2024

Taking place online

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8.30 Registration



9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede, Shadow Spokesperson, Ministry of Justice; and Shadow Spokesperson, Home Office

9.05 <u>Development of AI in the criminal justice system - assessing the current AI landscape and direction moving forward</u>

Phil Bowen, Director, Centre for Justice Innovation

Questions and comments from the floor

9.30 Key issues for policing supported by AI

Policing workforce and day-to-day work | Mitigating risks of AI technology including algorithmic biases | Establishing and maintaining operational partners | Improving productivity and efficiency | Priorities for service improvement and criminal justice outcomes

Georgie Morgan, Head of Justice and Emergency Services, techUK

Chief Inspector Scott Lloyd, Biometrics Capability Lead, South Wales Police

Melissa Hamilton, Professor of Law and Criminal Justice, University of Surrey

Silkie Carlo, Director, Big Brother Watch

Rick Muir, Director, Police Foundation

Questions and comments from the floor

10.20 Use of AI in government and public service - maximising the opportunities and minimising the risks associated with use of AI

in providing public services

Ruth Kelly, Chief Analyst, National Audit Office

Questions and comments from the floor

10.45 Chair's closing remarks

Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede, Shadow Spokesperson, Ministry of Justice; and Shadow Spokesperson, Home Office

10.50 Break

11.00 Chair's opening remarks

Rt Hon Sir Robert Buckland KC MP

11.05 Criminal law reform in the age of AI

Professor Penney Lewis, Commissioner for Criminal Law, Law Commission

Questions and comments from the floor

11.30 Assessing opportunities and issues with increased digitisation in the criminal courts

Access to justice | Case management and workload | Impact on court users and workforce | Balancing efficiency and legal obligations | Priorities for effective partnerships and best practice

Ellen Lefley, Lawyer, JUSTICE

Dia Thanki, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Alchemy Machines

Tana Adkin KC, Chair, Criminal Bar Association

Nazar Chernyavsky, Partner, Sayenko Kharenko; and Co-Chair, Technology Law Committee, International Bar Association

Senior representative, workforce

Questions and comments from the floor

12.20 Next steps for digitisation and AI policy in the justice system

Mike Freer MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Courts and Legal Services, Ministry of Justice Gina Gill, Chief Digital and Information Officer, Ministry of Justice

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks

Rt Hon Sir Robert Buckland KC MP

Sean Cudmore, Westminster Legal Policy Forum