

Vilnius University Faculty of Law

ŽALNIERIŪTĖ MONIKA, Research Professor Dr.

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Main areas of scientific interest, research and expertise

AI & Technology Law, Critical AI Studies, International Law & Technology, Human Rights & Technology, Feminist and Decolonial Theory, LGBTI Rights.

Education

- 2011-2014 PhD in Law, European University Institute (Florence, Italy).
- 2010-2011 LLM *Comparative, European and International Law,* European University Institute (Florence, Italy).
- 2009-2010 LLM European Law, Leiden University (Leiden, Netherlands).
- 2006-2009 LLB (1st Class) *European and International Law*, University of the West of England (Bristol, United Kingdom).

Main publications

- Žalnieriūtė, Monika; Limantė, Agnė (eds.). The Cambridge Handbook of AI and Technologies in Courts. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2026.
- Matulionytė, Rita; Žalnieriūtė, Monika (eds.). Cambridge Handbook on Facial Recognition in the Modern State. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2024.
- Bednarz, Zuzanna; Žalnieriūtė, Monika (eds.). Money, Power and AI. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2023.
- Žalnieriūtė, Monika. Against Procedural Fetishism: A Call for a New Digital Constitution // Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2023, Vol. 30(2), p. 227–264.
- Žalnieriūtė, Monika; Bennett Moses, Lyria; Williams, George. Rule of Law and Automation in Government Decision-Making // Modern Law Review, 2019, Vol. 82(3), p. 425-455.

Main scientific and research projects

- 2025-2027 Sole Principal Investigator, Horizon Europe, Marie Skladowska Curie Fellowship 'AI in Courts: Judicial Values in the Age of AI' (M. Zalnieriute, €216,240)
- 2023-2025 Lead Principal Investigator 'AI and Courts: Legal Challenges and Solutions' (M. Zalnieriute, A. Limante, Lithuanian Research Council, €150,000)
- 2021-2025 Sole Principal Investigator, 'AI Decision-Making, Data Privacy and Discrimination Laws' (M. Zalnieriute, (Australian Research Council, \$426,530 AUD)
- 2021-2023 Principal Investigator, 'Government Use of Facial Recognition Technologies: Legal Challenges and Solutions' (R. Matulionyte, M. Zalnieriute, A. Limante, E. Kavoliunaite) (Lithuanian Research Council, €150,000)
- 2016-2018 Sole Principal Investigator, Melbourne Law School Postdoctoral Fellowship 'Digital Rights of Marginalized Groups: LGBTI & Big Data' (M. Zalnieriute) (approx. \$375,000 AUD)

Membership in editorial boards

- Referee / Reviewer, Modern Law Review
- Editor and Reviewer, Cambridge University Press
- Referee / Reviewer, Oxford University Press
- Referee/ Reviewer, Hart Publishing, Bloomsbury
- Special Guest Editor and Reviewer, Internet Policy Review.

Significant expert activity, membership

- Expert report 'AI Decision-Making and the Courts: A Guide for Judges, Tribunal Members and Court Administrators', *Australasian Institute of Judicial Administration*, December 2023 (F. Bell, L. Bennett Moses, M. Legg, J. Silove and M. Zalnieriute, (previous edition June 2022)).
- Expert policy report, United Nations Internet Governance Forum Dynamic Coalition on Platform Responsibility, *Glossary of Platform Law and Policy Terms*, December 2020.
- Expert report 'The Privacy and Data Protection Regulatory Framework for C-ITS and AV Systems,' *Report for the National Transport Commission*, 2018 (D. Vale, M. Zalnieriute and L. Bennett Moses).
- World Health Organization expert report 'Tackling Food Marketing to Children in a Digital World: Trans-Disciplinary Perspectives,' WHO Office for Europe, Copenhagen, Denmark, 2016 (M. Tatlow-Golden, E. Boyland, J. Jewell, M. Zalnieriute, E. Handsley, J. Breda) translated to Russian
- Council of Europe expert report 'A Council of Europe Analysis on ICANN's Procedures and Policies in the Light of Human Rights, Fundamental Freedoms and Democratic Values,' *Council of Europe*, Strasbourg, DGI(2014)12 (M. Zalnieriute and T. Schneider) citations and mentions by EU Parliament, EU Commission).

Awards

- 2025 Lithuanian State Data Protection Inspectorate "Data Protection Award" (Lithuania)
- 2024 Lithuanian Ministry of Justice "Human Rights Award" (Lithuania)
- 2020 Australian Research Council, Discovery Early Career Award (Australia)
- 2019 'Emerging Thought Leader' UNSW Law & Justice Nomination (Australia)

• 2019 'Emerging Scholar of Note' Award, Justice and Social Democracy International Conference, Australia.

Popularization of science

- *The Guardian,* 'Telstra phone records might reveal who decided to use security guards in Victoria's hotel quarantine, Interview, 08 October 2020
- Gizmodo Magazine, 'Victoria Won't Release COVIDSafe Access Figures,' Interview, 1 July 2020
- Australian Financial Review, 'Why the Coalition blinked on the facial recognition database,' Interview, 25 October 2019

Languages

English, Lithuanian.