

**IRIS26, International Legal Informatics Symposium 2026**

**February 18-21, 2026, University of Salzburg**

**Please submit contributions and abstracts by 31.10.2025**

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The International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS will take place for the 29th time in 2026 and has established itself as largest and most important scientific conference in Austria and Central Europe in the field of legal informatics.

The focus of the conference is on the exchange of information between leading Austrian, German-speaking, and international legal informatics scholars on the legal dogmatic, technical, economic, social, and philosophical issues of law in the knowledge and network society; as an open platform for theory and practice.

The main theme for 2026 is: Human-machine collaboration in cyberspace

This topic was already a focus in 2001, then under "On the way to the ePerson"; now, after 25 years, an inventory is being taken: People – Agents – Robots and the complex regulation of cooperation: Attribution and liability for agents and robots, restrictions on use and liability for AI, challenges of the data-driven economy and administration, etc. It is, in a sense, a continuation of IRIS25 and the currently dominant topic in legal informatics: What do we think about generative AI, especially LLMs?

Despite extensive research, many questions remain unanswered, which is also due to the insufficient theoretical reflection of the basic question: after millennia of law, with the agent or Robots are creating new actors that can act (almost) like humans, but are still treated as "special entities." This makeshift construct isn't really sufficient, but a better solution is still lacking. IRIS26 aims to analyze the issue in an interdisciplinary and holistic manner and identify possible solutions.

The registration fees are now unfortunately necessary, but are kept very low.

There are significant discounts for students and private scholars; these are very welcome!

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Location 2026: Churfurstgasse 1, 5020 Salzburg; online via [univiennea.zoom.us](https://univiennea.zoom.us)

We're a symposium, not a symposium—besides academics, there should be no shortage of relaxation, enjoyment, sports, and culture. We're planning a get-together at the Juridicum, a Heuriger (wine tavern), and an evening event at Vienna City Hall.

• October 31, 2025 – Submission of papers and abstracts

• 1 December 2025: Preliminary Programme 1st Version

• December 19, 2025: Final contributions

• 19 January 2025: Proofs

• 19 January 2026: Final program

• February 18-21, 2026: Conference

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