

Main Course Literature:

General textbook

- Andrew Murray, *Information Technology Law: The Law and Society* (5th edn, Oxford University Press 2023)

Topic specific reading recommendations:

Data Protection and the GDPR

Very Basic Introduction (as a general introduction or for those who really know that they won't work too much with the GDPR in the future):

- Alan Calder, *EU GDPR: A Pocket Guide, Second Edition*, Publisher: IT Governance 2018, ebook, 78 pages, available online in the LiU library.

Generally recommended GDPR Textbook (for everyone who may work with the GDPR in the future, so most students of IT law. Can also help in the exam!):

- Sanjay Sharma, *Data Privacy and GDPR Handbook*, Publisher: John Wiley and Sons, 2020, available online in the LiU library.
 - Most important Chapters: 3, 5, and 6; Second-most important Chapters 4 and 7. Everything else according to interest.

Further reading only for those interested in specific topic areas (read whichever parts of these books are of interest to you):

Health:

- Maria Tzanou (ed), *Health Data Privacy under the GDPR: Big Data Challenges and Regulatory Responses*, Routledge 2020. (online at LiU Library, not the newest but a good baseline for health researcher. It is a research handbook, not a textbook!)
- Santa Slokenberga, Olga Tzortzatou, and Jane Reichel, *GDPR and Biobanking: Individual Rights, Public Interest and Research Regulation Across Europe*, Springer 2021. (Available at LiU Library online, should be completely open access. Again, for those interested a good read)

Competition Law and Digital Markets (Online Trade etc.):

- Klaudia Majcher, *Coherence between Data Protection and Competition Law in Digital Markets*, Oxford University Press, 2023. Available online at LiU Library.

Cyber Security

First and foremost, it is crucial that you familiarise yourself with the legal texts in this field, and particularly the EU NIS2 Directive. In this context you can also take a look at the Website of ENISA and look for official texts on NIS2 via the search function there:

<https://www.enisa.europa.eu/search?keys=nis+2#contentList>

Textbooks that deal with NIS2 in more detail are currently still extremely rare, so for further reading we need to look into other types of academic publications. Here, you can read the following (but feel free to find others or more texts on the subject):

- Darina Shamatonova (2025) 'The importance of the NIS2 Directive and the potential challenges it entails'. *Journal of Advance Research in Social Science and Humanities*, 11(1), 46-48.
- Kianpour, M. et. al. (2025) 'Digital sovereignty in practice: analyzing the EU's NIS2 directive'. *Int. J. Inf. Secur.* 24, 167. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10207-025-01090-4>
- Jukka Ruohonen (2024) 'A Systematic Literature Review on the NIS2 Directive' available at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2412.08084>

Platform Regulation

Literature on the DSA:

- Book Chapter: Gentile, G. (2025). Between Online and Offline Due Process: The Digital Services Act. In: Engel, A., Groussot, X., Petursson, G.T. (eds) *New Directions in Digitalisation. European Union and its Neighbours in a Globalized World*, vol 13. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-65381-0_11
- Mathieu Fasel (2025) 'Is the Digital Services Act Here to Protect Users?' *Nordic Journal of European Law*, 7(4). <https://doi.org/10.36969/njel.v7i4.27292>
- Optional: Pieter Wolters & Frederik Zuiderveen Borgesius (2025) 'The EU Digital Services Act: what does it mean for online advertising and adtech?' <https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.05764>

Literature on the DMA:

- Book Chapter: Lundqvist, B. (2025). The Objectives of Regulating the Digital Economy Indicate That There Is a Right to Data in the Digital Markets Act with Direct Effect and Applicability. In: Engel, A., Groussot, X., Petursson, G.T. (eds) *New Directions in Digitalisation. European Union and its Neighbours in a Globalized World*, vol 13. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-65381-0_3
- Philipp Hacker et. al. (2022) 'Regulating Gatekeeper AI and Data: Transparency, Access, and Fairness under the DMA, the GDPR, and beyond'. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2212.04997>