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Please join an academic symposium on digitization in procurement on Thursday, March 19, 2026. The symposium will be led by Professors Gabriella Racca (University of Turin) and Christopher Yukins (GW Law), with the kind cooperation of the academic network Public Contracts in Legal Globalization.

Leading scholars on public procurement and digitization will be presenting their papers (to be published in a forthcoming text) at the symposium, joined by colleagues from around the world.

To date, digitization of procurement has been dealt with as a topic apart. This symposium will focus on the points of intersection between digitization and other emerging solutions in procurement, such as artificial intelligence (AI) and procurement-for-innovation, with an eye to procurement reforms underway in the European Union, the United States and the United Nations.

INTRODUCTION

Gabriella M. Racca – *University of Torino, Italy*

Christopher R. Yukins – *George Washington University, USA*

INTERVENTIONS

Luca Martinelli – *Head of Unit, Publications Office, European Union*

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OPEN DEBATE

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France - Patricia Valcárcel – *Universidad de Vigo, Spain* - Steven Van Garsse – *Hasselt University, Belgium* -

Andrea Sundstrand – *Stockholm University, Sweden* - Anna Maria La Chimia – *University of Nottingham, UK*

CONCLUSIONS

Jean-Bernard Auby – *Émérite de Droit Public, Université de SciencePo, France*

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