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The Global AI Regulatory Landscape

EU AI Act enforcement, US sectoral approach, POPIA, and the 2026–2028 compliance calendar for FSI

Dec 2027

EU AI Act Annex III high-risk deadline, reset from Aug 2026

2026 DIGITAL OMNIBUS

€35M

maximum fine for breach of the Article 5 prohibitions

EU AI ACT

5

US federal agencies with active FSI AI guidance in 2025–26

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The global AI regulatory landscape entered its enforcement phase in 2025. The highest-risk provisions of the EU AI Act were due to apply from August 2026 but, under the Digital Omnibus (Regulation (EU) 2026/1744), are now deferred to 2 December 2027.

For FSI organizations the picture is defined by three certainties: the Annex III deadline is a firm compliance target rather than a reprieve; US sectoral guidance is tightening; and any multi-jurisdiction FSI organization must design

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