

# France



## Facts

Population of 67,75 Mio.

EU-membership since 1951 (founding member)

center-liberalist Government

## France's strategy regarding AI regulation

*"From my point of view (...) I think we do need a regulation and all the players, even the U.S. players, agree with that. I think we need a global regulation (...) We want to be sure that this is safe, unbiased (...) that the language models we have are not biased and that what is (...) forbidden in society is forbidden in this model. So we need some rules."*

**Emmanuel Macron,**  
French President.

## Goal regarding the AI Act

- Make sure that facial recognition technology can still be used without too much ado in law enforcement.
- Avoiding innovation-inhibiting regulation in order to keep start-ups internationally competitive.
- Guaranteeing a responsible development and use of AI which serves the good of society.
- Limiting the scope of application to those AI where regulation is necessary.
- Don't use AI act as a way to try and solve too many problems at once.



## France's stance to the European AI Act

### Article 3 - Definitions



*"Precise, but not noxious."*

- France advocates that the European Union must avoid regulations with an innovation-inhibiting effect.
- Regarding that the European Union shall be a global player in the field of AI, next to the United States of America and China, we must take into consideration that a wide scope of application of the AI Act can impair the European business location. A too strong regulation keeps investments from international companies away.

### Article 5 - Prohibited artificial intelligences practices



*"When AI is being used, we must reconcile basic rights with the public benefit."*

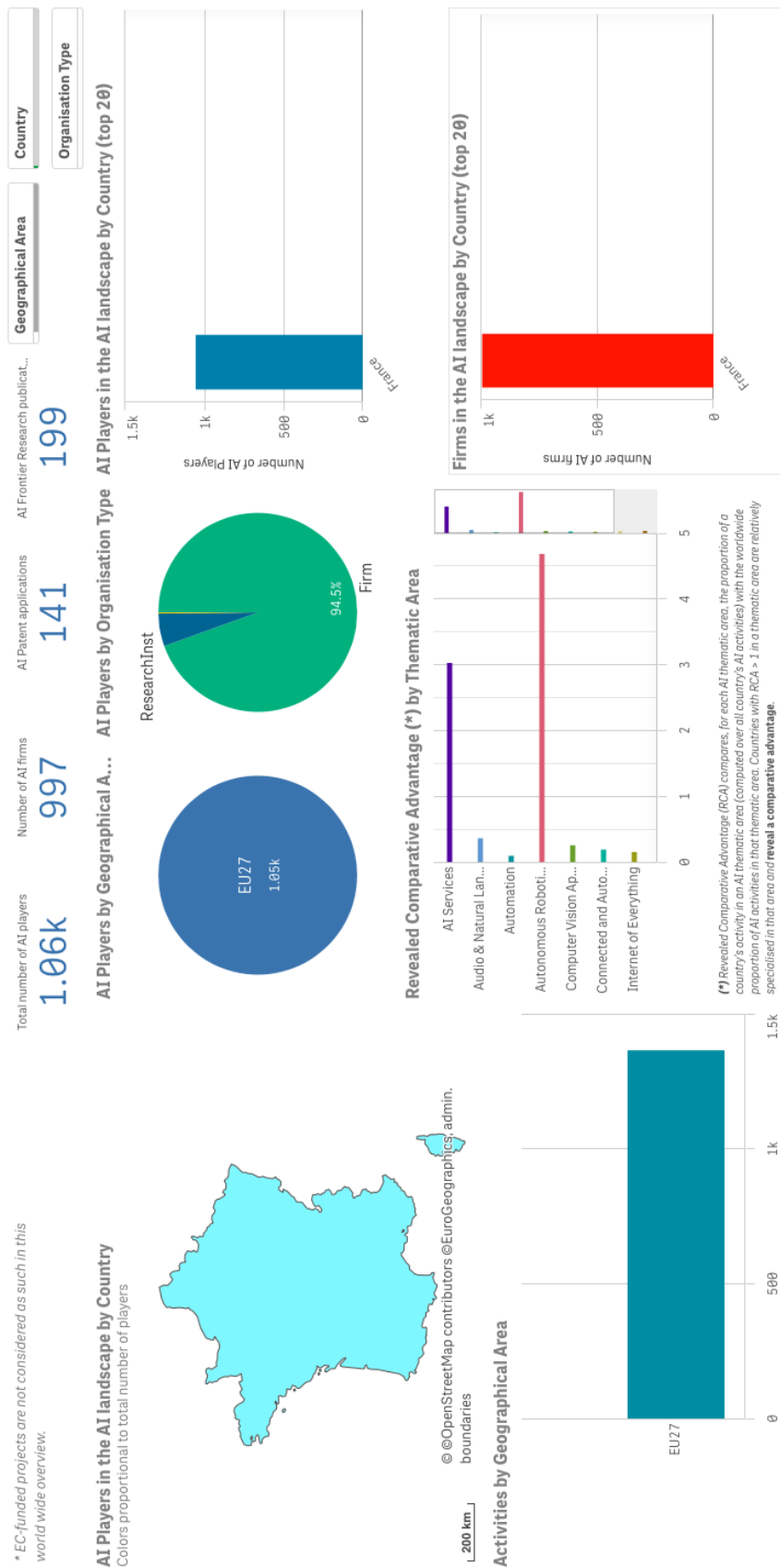
- In criminal persecution, the use of facial recognition technology shouldn't be prohibited. National security depends on its use to tackle crime and terrorism.
- Prohibitions shouldn't be too numerous as to make economic growth in this area possible.
- No social scoring should be executed via AI by the government.

### Article 6 - Classification rules for high-risk AI-systems



*"We must create a multi-level risk-based approach on AI."*

- The regulatory framework shouldn't hinder innovation.



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