TRUMP ADMINISTRATION UNVEILS ITS PLAN FOR WINNING THE AI RACE

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On Wednesday, 23 July 2025, the Trump administration reaffirmed its commitment to being at the forefront of innovation and deployment of artificial intelligence (AI).

The first building block is the release of a “Winning the Race: America's AI Action Plan,” a 28-page framework that maps out the White House's policy initiatives for the next year. The AI Action Plan has three pillars: innovation, infrastructure, and international diplomacy and security. To accelerate innovation, the Trump administration will identify and repeal existing federal regulations that hinder AI innovation and adoption. At the same time, the Action Plan acknowledges the role of state-level policymaking, emphasizing a balanced approach: on the one hand the federal government will direct AI-related federal funding away from states with burdensome regulations that could stifle AI innovation. On the other hand, the AI Action Plan reaffirms the importance of respecting states' rights to enact prudent laws, so long as those laws do not unduly restrict technological progress.

To accelerate the build out of America's AI infrastructure, the action plan proposes reforming the environmental permitting process to allow for quicker development of data centers, semiconductor foundries, and energy sources. On the diplomacy front, the plan advocates for exporting America's “full AI technology stack” to America's allies while keeping it out of the hands of the nation's adversaries. The plan aims to use these three pillars to “usher in a new golden age of human flourishing, economic competitiveness, and national security.”

President Trump then also signed three executive orders implementing the priorities laid out in the action plan. The executive orders focus on streamlining the permitting process, expanding exports of US AI technology, and removing ideologically biased models from government use. See below a full list of the executive orders:

- Accelerating Federal Permitting of Data Center Infrastructure
- Promoting The Export of the American AI Technology Stack
- Preventing Woke AI In the Federal Government

Our Policy and Regulatory team will be analyzing and providing additional context on these executive orders and others that we expect to be forthcoming.

The Trump administration is not alone in its pursuit of AI-related federal policy advancements. Several congressional committees have been focusing on this effort by holding hearings and drafting legislation in this area, which we expect to continue over the coming months. Our Policy and Regulatory team is closely monitoring these developments and is ready to advocate for your policy priorities in this rapidly evolving landscape.

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