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Digitilisation and automation is arguably changing our economies and societies with lasting effect and increasing speed. These changes do not halt at agriculture: Today already, innovations in sensor and drone technology, robotics, or artificial intelligence are being implemented to increase the efficiency of agricultural food production. China is certainly among those countries striving to be world leaders in digital agriculture. The talk shall provide a broad overview of Chinese efforts in digitilising its agricultural sector and their legal implications, while reflecting on the challenges relating to China's ongoing trade dispute with the United States – in which the agricultural sector is a major bargaining chip. In addition, the talk shall reflect on digitilisation in a global context and explore the tensions of legal and machine logic.



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