

Law as Code: law that people can review and machines can execute

Who we are

The Rulemapping Group sets out to secure trust in state action through a bureaucracy that works. Its foundation is the Rulemapping method: it translates complicated bodies of rules into visual logic and reveals the assessment structure of a norm that remains hidden in the bare legal text. The approach has grown out of two decades of practice. On this basis, the company is advancing two developments that are decisive for state modernisation and a digital public administration: Law as Code and Rule AI.

Law as Code

Law as Code is an open approach, not the product of a single vendor. The Rulemapping Group provides the building blocks that make this approach usable in practice. At its core lies an open file format: the Rulemapping Logic Format (RUMML). RUMML is free to use and platform-independent. It models bodies of rules as machine-executable decision logic. The Open Source Rulemap Builder gives everyone who wants to model law as code a tool – from the single norm to the complete assessment logic. The goal is a standard used worldwide.

Rule AI

The Rulemapping Group's neuro-symbolic system enables legally compliant, AI-supported decision automation. The patent-pending technology combines a large language model with Rulemaps that set the logic. Rule AI works through each step the way lawyers do: transparent and traceable, with no black box and no hallucinations. A human can intervene at any point along the assessment path (Human-in-the-Loop); control stays with those who are accountable.

The Tools

A number of tools have grown up around the Rulemapping method: in the Rulemap Builder, teams create and edit their Rulemaps, and the Rulemap Catalog collects them. For advanced tasks, AI-powered tools are available, among them 'Arum', which produces a draft Rulemap from a legal text. The Rulemapping Academy trains professionals from legislation, public administration, legal practice and business in the method.

The Law as Code Institute

It develops the Law as Code approach further in the public interest, in cooperation with SPRIND and other partners. As the institutional home of the approach, the Law as Code Institute anchors the research and organizes collaboration between public administration, policymakers, academia, business and civil society. In this way the standard remains open, interoperable and independent.

The Rulemapping Group was founded in Berlin in 2024 and is funded by the Federal Agency for Breakthrough Innovation (SPRIND). The German federal government's modernisation agenda names Rulemapping as a solution for Law as Code. The founding team includes nebenan.de founders Till Behnke and Ina Remmers, legal tech pioneer Prof Stephan Breidenbach, and Matthes Scheinhardt, Dr Thilo Wend and Dirk Woywod.

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