

EU AI Act August 2026: The Deployer Compliance Checklist for Swiss Companies

MANAGEMENT SUMMARY & CORE TAKEAWAY

From 2 August 2026, EU AI Act high-risk obligations apply to all deployers — including Swiss companies whose AI outputs are used in the EU. This article provides the complete obligation catalogue, an operational checklist, and concrete action steps for C-suite executives.

CONTEXT & EXECUTIVE RELEVANCE

The EU AI Act is not an EU-only matter. Its extraterritorial scope (Art. 2(1)(c)) covers Swiss companies whose AI systems produce outputs used in the EU. Any organisation running AI-supported processes for EU customers, EU subsidiaries or EU employees is subject to deployer obligations — regardless of its registered headquarters.

The Swiss Data & AI Observatory 2026 (Colombus Consulting / Oracle / HEG, June 2026) reveals: 69% of Swiss companies are still in the exploration or experimentation phase for agentic AI, and 36% do not yet measure the tangible value of their AI projects at all. The 2 August 2026 deadline transforms a strategic question into a legal obligation.

COMPARISON & BENCHMARK MATRIX

AI system inventory completed	Comprehensive list of all AI systems in use, classified by risk level (high-risk / limited / minimal)
High-risk systems identified	Cross-checked against Annex III EU AI Act: HR, credit, education, critical infrastructure, law enforcement
Human-in-the-loop implemented	Documented intervention capability before each material AI-driven decision — not a formality
Audit log activated	Automatic logging of all decisions with timestamp, system version, input hash and output — minimum 6 months retention

SWISS COMPLIANCE & ARCHITECTURE GUIDELINES

- ☑ Full compliance with revised Swiss Data Protection Act (revDSG).
- ☑ Zero vendor lock-in on closed proprietary models.
- ☑ Seamless integration into Abacus, Bexio and M365 ecosystems.

Non-Binding Process Analysis

Let us review in 20 minutes where AI agents create immediate measurable efficiency in your workflows.

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