

Arachne+ — The European Commission's Data-Mining Tool for Flagging Fraud and Conflicts of Interest in EU Funds

AI in the Public Sector · Good practice · Belgium

Quality score: 80/100

Evidence strength: Strong

Summary

The EU's Arachne+ tool mines beneficiary, contract and ownership data — including Moody's Orbis and World Compliance records — to flag fraud and conflict-of-interest risk in EU funds, though several member states still don't use it or run parallel systems.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	2/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	3/3
Scalability beyond pilot	3/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-24

[European Commission \(Anti-Fraud Knowledge Centre / DG EMPL-REGIO\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-24

[European Commission — What is Arachne+?](#) — accessed 2026-09-24

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