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President of the Royal Statistical Society, Dr Andrew Garrett comments on the Al Regulation White Paper

"Artificial intelligence is an important emerging technology – providing great opportunity for innovation but also involving some risks – so it is welcome that the government has outlined five principles to ensure it is used both innovatively and safely.

"However, there are risks to splitting responsibility between various existing regulators. What we need is a coherent, clear and easily communicated framework that can be applied to all sectors. It is hard to see how fragmentation of regulation helps with this.

"We look forward to examining the proposals in full and participating in the consultation."

Notes:

• The white paper can be seen here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ai-</u>regulation-a-pro-innovation-approach