

Malin Männikkö on hybrid roles in the latest issue of The Legal Technologist

Legal technology creates an enormous impact on legal professions around the world, yet very little is taught at the universities about these types of technologies and how they are used.

In the latest issue of The Legal Technologist, Malin Männikkö, at DLA Piper in Sweden, talks about how the hybrid role Legal Tech Associate was formed.

"The legal sector today offers a variety of alternative roles as career paths, such as legal technologists, legal tech managers, legal designers, knowledge management lawyers, the list goes on. However, it is still very much a choice to be a lawyer or business support. Although these exciting roles provide new frontiers for a legal career, it usually means leaving a lot of the legal work aside. For me, I wanted both."

"For the past two years I have worked at DLA Piper in Sweden as a Legal Technologist, and in parallel, I have also completed law school. In June 2022, I graduated with a Master of Laws with a focus on IT and media law. I realised that I was now at an important fork in the road, one road leading me the Associate way and the other down the road of Business Support. Instead of making me choose, my employer and I found a new way forward. Together we sat down to discuss a hybrid role; a role combining both the traditional associate work and the Legal Technologist work. The result was a new role, the Legal Tech Associate."

As Malin faces this autumn in her new role, she's looking forward to giving you updates along the way, from lessons learned to full transparency on how much work is actually involved within each of these roles she now holds. So stay tuned.

In the meantime, feel free to read the full article through the link below.

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