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HOW ENTERPRISE DATA BECOMES AI'S MOST POWERFUL TOOL

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Foreword

AI's progress is no longer measured only in capability but also in control, clarity, and conscience. As AI systems grow more autonomous, the real challenge isn't what we can do, but how responsibly we do it.

Policymakers, enterprises, and researchers are coming together to embed governance into the very fabric of AI design not as an afterthought, but as a core engineering discipline.

As I reflected in my recent article, **"Have You see when AI Masters the Task but Misses the Point"**, even the most advanced systems can deliver outputs without truly grasping purpose or context.

The gap between efficiency and empathy makes "governance by design" indispensable ensuring that AI not only performs tasks but aligns with human intent, meaning, and ethical direction.

We have always believed in Responsible AI and have worked towards building an ecosystem around it, receiving recognition for these efforts is truly gratifying. In September, we were honoured with multiple accolades for our commitment. Infosys was awarded The Economic Times Award for 'Responsible and Ethical AI Leadership'. Additionally, the Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit is now listed on the AI Kosh platform (India AI Mission) as a benchmark for ethical AI development. Further, Infosys was recognized by IBM with the partner award for Innovation Leader in Responsible AI.

I would like to express my gratitude to my dear friend Geeta Gurnani, Field CTO | Pre-Sales and Client Engineering Leader, IBM Technology, for her contribution to our In Focus section, "How enterprise data becomes AI's most powerful tool." Her perspective is a reminder that responsibility begins with how we manage and interpret data - the foundation on which all AI stands.

As we move forward, let's keep in mind that the future of AI will be shaped not only by algorithms but also by the integrity and intent that guide them. Enjoy this month's edition and share your thoughts with us.

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From the editor's desk

From Vulnerabilities to Vigilance: Building a Resilient AI Future

A recent disclosure of critical AI vulnerabilities served as a stark reminder that even the most sophisticated systems can falter when safeguards fall short. The incident revealed how attackers could manipulate trusted data sources from cloud logs to browsing histories to extract sensitive information. Similar flaws, including AgentAPI's exposure of message histories, llama-index-core's cache poisoning risks, and LangBot's file upload exploits, highlight the same truth: as AI grows more capable, its margin for error narrows. Responsibility, therefore, begins with resilience.

Amid these challenges, a stronger sense of alignment is emerging worldwide. The build-up to the upcoming AI Impact Summit 2026 captures this momentum with nations, enterprises, and researchers rallying around shared principles of ethics, safety, and trust. Global institutions are translating high-level commitments into tangible standards: regulators are shaping AI risk frameworks, international bodies are integrating safety into digital health and finance systems, and standards organizations are embedding fairness and accountability into technical design.

This convergence of governance, innovation, and collaboration marks an inflection point. The movement toward responsible AI is no longer confined to dialogue, it's evolving into structured action backed by policy, infrastructure, and shared intent.

On the technical front, innovations such as AutoPentester, UTDMF, and Structured AI Agent Deployment frameworks are advancing the science of defense, proving that responsibility doesn't slow innovation, it strengthens it.

Also, In this edition's In Focus section, Geeta Gurnani, Field CTO | Pre-Sales and Client Engineering Leader, IBM Technology, shares her perspective on "How enterprise data becomes AI's most powerful tool."

Amid the constant stream of AI headlines, this report highlights what truly matters the signals of progress shaping a safer, transparent, and globally aligned AI future. We hope it helps you stay informed and intentional, and we welcome your reflections.

Warm regards,

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AI Regulations, Governance & Standards

This section highlights the recent updates on regulations and governance initiatives across the globe impacting the responsible development and deployment of AI.

AI Regulations & Governance across the globe

UK and US Regulators Forge Strategic Alliance to Accelerate Safe AI and MedTech Innovation for Global Patient Benefit

The UK's Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) and the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) have announced a strategic collaboration to streamline regulatory processes for medical technologies and artificial intelligence (AI), aiming to improve patient outcomes and reduce transatlantic barriers to market access. As part of this initiative, the MHRA has launched a National AI Commission featuring global experts from academia, healthcare, and industry including representatives from Google, Microsoft, DeepMind, and leading US institutions to guide the safe and transparent use of AI in healthcare. The UK will also introduce international reliance routes that allow FDA-approved devices to enter the UK market more quickly, with legislation expected in 2026 and implementation from 2027. These efforts build on recent regulatory reforms in Great Britain, including new post-market surveillance rules effective from June 2025, and leverage the NHS's integrated infrastructure to support real-world testing and adoption of innovative technologies.[1]

UK Unveils Major AI for Development Initiatives at G20 Summit to Support Inclusive Innovation Across Africa and Asia

At the G20 Summit in South Africa, the UK government announced a series of strategic initiatives aimed at promoting responsible and inclusive AI innovation across Africa and Asia. Central to this effort is the launch of the AI Evidence Alliance for Social Impact (AEASI), a £2.75 million partnership between the UK's Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC), and philanthropic science funder Community Jameel. This initiative, part of a broader $7.5 million collaboration with Google.org, will support experimental evaluations to identify which AI tools deliver meaningful impact in development contexts, strengthen local research leadership, and provide evidence-based guidance for policymakers. Additionally, the UK and Canada are backing the creation of the African Hub for AI Safety, Security and Peace at the University of Cape Town, which will focus on mitigating AI risks, shaping governance frameworks, and amplifying African perspectives in global AI rule-making. These efforts align with the G20's "AI for Africa" agenda and reflect the UK's commitment to ensuring AI technologies are deployed safely, equitably, and in support of local development priorities.[2]

Azerbaijan and Türkiye Unite to Advance AI Leadership Through Strategic Cooperation Protocol

Azerbaijan and Türkiye have signed a protocol to collaborate in the field of artificial intelligence (AI), aiming to position themselves among the world's top 20 AI powers by 2030. The agreement, announced by Zafer Küçüksabanoğlu, Chairman of Türkiye's Artificial Intelligence Policy Association (AIPA), seeks to combine the two nations' expertise, technological networks, and capabilities to maximize their economic share in the projected $15.7 trillion global AI economy. The partnership emphasizes not only economic growth but also the ethical development of AI, with strong safeguards for data privacy, national security, and the protection of citizens' rights. This collaboration reflects a shared vision to harness AI as a transformative force across sectors while ensuring responsible innovation aligned with national values and global competitiveness.[3]

[1] https://www.gov.uk/government/news/patients-to-benefit-as-uk-and-us-regulators-forge-new-collaboration-on-medical-technologies-and-ai
[2] https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-announces-major-ai-for-development-initiatives-at-g20-in-south-africa
[3] https://report.az/en/amp/ict/azerbaijan-turkiye-aim-to-unite-forces-in-artificial-intelligence

US

AI LEAD Act: U.S. Senators Hawley and Durbin Propose Legal Accountability for Harmful AI Systems

U.S. Senators Josh Hawley (R-Mo.) and Dick Durbin (D-Ill.) have introduced the bipartisan AI LEAD Act (Aligning Incentives for Leadership, Excellence, and Advancement in Development) to establish a legal framework that holds artificial intelligence companies accountable when their systems cause harm. The proposed legislation aims to classify AI systems as products, thereby allowing individuals to bring product liability claims against developers and vendors. It also seeks to incentivize companies to prioritize safety in AI design rather than rushing systems to market, while maintaining space for innovation by supporting the continued development of beneficial AI technologies. The bill reflects growing bipartisan concern over the unchecked deployment of AI and the need to balance technological advancement with ethical responsibility and user protection.[4]

President Trump Signs Executive Order to Accelerate Paediatric Cancer Research Using AI Innovation and National Health Data Infrastructure

President Donald J. Trump has signed an Executive Order directing federal agencies to harness American artificial intelligence capabilities to accelerate breakthroughs in pediatric and young adult cancer research. The initiative builds on the Childhood Cancer Data Initiative (CCDI), launched in 2019, and aims to integrate AI into national health data systems to improve diagnosis, treatment, and prevention. The order tasks the Make America Healthy Again (MAHA) Commission, the Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, and the Special Advisor for AI and Crypto with developing AI-driven strategies that enhance clinical outcomes while safeguarding patient privacy. It also supports interoperability across health data platforms and expands federal investment in cancer-related data infrastructure. Pediatric cancer remains the leading cause of disease-related death among children in the U.S., with incidence rates rising by 40% since 1975. This action complements previous efforts such as the Childhood Cancer STAR Act and the release of America's AI Action Plan, reinforcing the administration's commitment to using cutting-edge technology to combat childhood diseases.[5]

[4] https://www.hawley.senate.gov/hawley-durbin-introduce-legislation-empowering-americans-to-bring-liability-claims-against-ai-companies/
[5] https://www.whitehouse.gov/fact-sheets/2025/09/fact-sheet-president-donald-j-trump-prioritizes-harnessing-american-ai-innovation-to-unlock-cures-for-pediatric-cancer/

California Advances AI and Digital Safety Laws

California has enacted a trio of landmark laws to govern artificial intelligence, enhance online safety, and protect digital privacy:

- **SB 53 – Frontier AI Governance**: Requires developers of advanced AI models to publish risk frameworks, report incidents, and follow global safety standards. It also launches CalCompute, a public computing consortium for ethical AI research.[6]
- **Child Online Safety & AI Regulation**: New laws mandate age verification, AI content labeling, and restrictions on harmful AI chatbot behavior. Platforms must detect suicidal ideation in minors and prevent impersonation by AI. Victims of deepfake abuse can now seek civil damages.[7]
- **AB 566 – AI-Enabled Privacy Law**: Starting 2027, browsers must offer built-in opt-out controls for personal data sharing, making it easier for users to protect their privacy across the web.[8]

Together, these laws reinforce California's leadership in responsible AI innovation, child protection, and digital rights.

C-RAC Affirms Compatibility of AI in Learning Evaluation and Credit Transfer with U.S. Accreditation Standards

The Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions (C-RAC) a non profit accrediting body operating in US has issued a formal statement supporting the responsible use of artificial intelligence (AI) in evaluating learning and facilitating credit transfer across higher education institutions in the United States. The statement clarifies that AI-driven tools and practices when designed to be transparent, accountable, and unbiased are consistent with existing accreditation standards and should not be viewed as barriers to innovation. Released during a joint webinar featuring leaders from MSCHE, SACSCOC, and WSCUC, the announcement underscores C-RAC's commitment to promoting student success and learning mobility. MSCHE President Heather F. Perfetti, who chairs C-RAC, highlighted ongoing efforts to update policies and collaborate with national initiatives such as the Beyond Transfer Policy Board, Sova, and the LEARN Commission to reduce credit loss and improve equitable recognition of prior learning. The statement aligns with MSCHE's broader push for innovation, including its newly released AI policy and procedures aimed at modernizing accreditation in the age of intelligent technologies.[9]

[6] https://www.gov.ca.gov/2025/09/29/governor-newsom-signs-sb-53-advancing-californias-world-leading-artificial-intelligence-industry/
[7] https://www.gov.ca.gov/2025/10/13/governor-newsom-signs-bills-to-further-strengthen-californias-leadership-in-protecting-children-online/
[8] https://cppa.ca.gov/announcements/2025/20251008_2.html
[9] https://www.c-rac.org/post/c-rac-statement-on-the-use-of-artificial-intelligence-ai-to-advance-learning-evaluation-and-recogn

UK

UK ICO Publishes Internal AI Use Policy to Guide Ethical Adoption and Build Industry Confidence

The UK Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) has publicly released its internal AI use policy, originally circulated among staff in August 2025, to help organizations better understand responsible AI practices and gain regulatory clarity. The policy outlines how AI technologies including generative and predictive systems should be used ethically, transparently, and in compliance with data protection laws. It provides practical guidance on conducting impact assessments, monitoring performance, and ensuring transparency in AI deployments. The ICO emphasizes that only approved AI tools may be used on official devices, and that outputs must be clearly labeled and subject to human oversight. By sharing this internal framework, the ICO aims to foster trust, encourage responsible innovation, and support businesses in aligning with UK regulatory expectations for AI governance.[10]

UK Establishes National Commission to Accelerate AI Integration in NHS Healthcare

The UK government has launched the UK National Commission on the Regulation of AI in Healthcare to fast-track the integration of artificial intelligence into the National Health Service (NHS). This expert-led body will advise the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) on modernizing regulatory frameworks, with a revised rulebook anticipated in 2026. The Commission includes representatives from leading tech companies, NHS clinicians, researchers, and patient advocates, and is tasked with enabling the safe and rapid deployment of AI tools such as clinical assistants and remote monitoring systems. This initiative supports the UK's broader strategy to modernize healthcare delivery, improve patient outcomes, and position the country as a global leader in health technology innovation.[11]

UK Government Designs AI Lab to Transform Policing with Responsible Innovation and Scalable Technology

The UK government, through its innovation unit ACE (Accelerated Capability Environment), has developed a strategic plan to create an AI lab for UK policing aimed at making law enforcement more efficient, data-driven, and

[10] https://ico.org.uk/media2/4ojobuwe/internal-ai-use-policy.pdf

[11] https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-commission-to-help-accelerate-nhs-use-of-ai

future-ready. This initiative supports the National Police Chiefs' Council's goal to position UK policing as a global leader in responsible AI. After consulting with six tech suppliers, ACE explored how a centralized lab could help police forces adopt AI safely and effectively. The study looked at lab design, engagement models, and how to deliver value while addressing challenges like talent shortages, data governance, and funding. Three design options bronze, silver, and gold were proposed, with the gold option recommended for its ability to deliver a world-class AI lab within 18 months, supported by a three-year roadmap and cost estimates. The lab would build on existing strengths in data science and synthetic data, and ACE itself served as a working example of how such a lab could operate successfully.[12]

UK Government Develops AI-Powered Support Tools to Help Separating Families Resolve Disputes Without Court

The UK Ministry of Justice (MoJ), working with the Accelerated Capability Environment (ACE), has developed new digital tools to help separating families resolve disputes especially around child arrangements without needing to go to court. This initiative responds to the growing number of family cases that end up in court, which can be stressful and harmful, particularly for children. Through extensive user research, ACE identified the need for clearer, more personalized guidance and created two key tools: a self-help pathway for child arrangement plans (CAP) and an AI-powered chatbot that answers questions in simple, everyday language. These tools are designed to guide families toward early resolution options based on their unique situations. Currently in private beta testing, the tools have shown promising results in improving user experience and reducing reliance on formal legal proceedings. ACE also enhanced related GOV.UK content and built an AI solution to help the MoJ analyze court backlog data more efficiently. This collaborative effort, involving eight suppliers, reflects a broader push to make family justice more accessible, empathetic, and tech-enabled.[13]

UK Uses AI and Regulatory Reforms to Speed Up Clinical Trial Approvals and Improve Patient Access to New Treatments

The UK government has successfully reduced the time it takes to approve clinical trials by more than half cutting it from 91 days to just 41 through a combination of artificial intelligence tools and streamlined regulatory processes led by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA). These changes allow patients to access new treatments, including those for cancer and rare diseases, much faster. A new risk-based review system enables quicker approvals for low-risk trials, while AI tools like the Knowledge Hub and GMP Compliance Checker help regulators analyze complex data more efficiently. The Combined Review process also simplifies ethical and regulatory assessments, reducing duplication and delays. These reforms support the UK's 10 Year Health Plan and the Prime Minister's goal to reduce trial setup times to under 150 days by March 2026. Patients can now search and join clinical trials through the NHS App using the NIHR Be Part of Research service. Upcoming legislation in April 2026 will require all UK trials to publish results in plain language and extend sponsor response times, further improving transparency and aligning with global standards.[14]

[12] https://www.gov.uk/government/case-studies/developing-an-ai-lab-for-uk-policing

[13] https://www.gov.uk/government/case-studies/from-paper-to-digital-bringing-more-peace-of-mind-to-separating-couples

[14] https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-clinical-trial-approval-times-twice-as-fast-with-ai-and-reforms

Europe

EU Seeks Feedback on AI Act Compliance: Draft Guidance and Reporting Template Released for Serious AI Incidents

The European Commission has released draft guidance and a standardized reporting template to help AI providers comply with Article 73 of the EU AI Act, which requires mandatory reporting of serious incidents involving high-risk AI systems. Although the regulation will take effect in August 2026, the Commission is inviting public feedback through a consultation open until November 7, 2025. The guidance outlines how providers should identify and report incidents that pose risks to health, safety, or fundamental rights, and offers practical examples to clarify obligations. It also aligns with international efforts, referencing tools like the OECD's AI incident reporting framework and the AI Incident Database, to promote global consistency in AI safety practices. The initiative aims to foster transparency, accountability, and early risk detection in AI deployment, while helping stakeholders prepare for future compliance under the EU's landmark AI legislation.[15]

Europe's Strategic Leap Toward Global AI Leadership: Dual Initiatives to Empower Industry and Science

The European Commission has unveiled two major strategies designed to position Europe as a global leader in Artificial Intelligence across both industrial and scientific domains. The Apply AI Strategy aims to accelerate AI adoption in key sectors by streamlining innovation pipelines, enhancing workforce skills, and fostering collaboration through initiatives like the Frontier AI program and the Apply AI Alliance. It also introduces an AI Observatory and a dedicated AI Act Service Desk to support the implementation of the EU's landmark AI legislation. In parallel, the AI in Science Strategy launches RAISE (Resource for AI Science in Europe), a virtual institute to coordinate AI resources for research, and commits over €600 million from Horizon Europe to improve access to computational infrastructure for scientists and startups. The strategy also seeks to double annual AI investments to over €3 billion and attract global talent to "Choose Europe" for AI research. Together, these initiatives reinforce Europe's commitment to trustworthy, innovative, and globally competitive AI development.[16]

EDPB and European Commission Release Joint Guidelines Clarifying Interplay Between DMA and GDPR for Gatekeepers and Data Protection

The European Data Protection Board (EDPB) and the European Commission have jointly released their first-ever guidelines to

[15] https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/consultations/ai-act-commission-issues-draft-guidance-and-reporting-template-serious-ai-incidents-and-seeks

[16] https://commission.europa.eu/news-and-media/news/keeping-european-industry-and-science-forefront-ai-2025-10-08_en

clarify how the Digital Markets Act (DMA) and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) interact, aiming to enhance legal certainty and simplify compliance for gatekeepers, business users, and individuals. These guidelines, aligned with the EDPB's 2024–2027 Strategy and the Helsinki Statement, address overlapping areas where DMA provisions involve personal data processing and reference GDPR concepts. They provide practical guidance on implementing requirements such as valid consent and specific choice under Article 5(2) of the DMA, and cover topics including third-party app distribution, data portability, access requests, and messaging service interoperability. The initiative marks a significant step toward harmonizing digital market fairness with robust data protection. A public consultation on the draft guidelines is open until December 4, 2025, after which the final version will be jointly adopted. Further collaborative work is underway, including upcoming joint guidelines on the AI Act and its alignment with EU data protection laws.[17]

JRC Releases Scientific Report Collection to Guide EU AI Act Implementation for General Purpose AI

The European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) has published a comprehensive collection of external scientific reports aimed at informing the implementation of the EU AI Act, with a particular emphasis on General Purpose AI (GPAI). These reports offer critical insights into regulatory challenges such as risk classification, transparency, explainability, and data governance, and include interdisciplinary analyses on the societal impacts of AI technologies, including facial recognition and high-risk systems. By grounding policy decisions in robust scientific evidence, the JRC seeks to support the development of trustworthy, human-centric AI across Europe, ensuring that the EU AI Act is both effective and adaptable to emerging technological realities.[18]

Italy

Italian Data Protection Authority Temporarily Blocks Deepfake App ClothOff Over GDPR Violations and Privacy Risks

The Italian Data Protection Authority (DPA) has imposed a temporary restriction on the AI-powered app ClothOff, operated by AI/Robotics Venture Strategy 3 Ltd., for unlawfully processing personal data of Italian users. The app, which generates deepfake nude images by digitally removing clothing from photos, was found to breach key provisions of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), specifically Articles 5(1)(a), 5(2), and 25, relating to lawfulness, fairness, accountability, and data protection by design and default. The DPA cited the company's failure to provide requested information and its inadequate watermarking of manipulated images, which could be easily removed, making the content appear authentic and posing serious risks to privacy and human dignity. Under Article 58(2)(f), the authority enforced an immediate suspension of data processing activities involving Italian users, pending further investigation, reinforcing its commitment to safeguarding individuals from unethical and harmful uses of AI technologies.[19]

[17] https://www.edpb.europa.eu/news/news/2025/dma-and-gdpr-edpb-and-european-commission-endorse-joint-guidelines-clarify-common_en

[18] https://ai-watch.ec.europa.eu/news/new-jrc-collection-external-scientific-reports-inform-implementation-eu-ai-act-general-purpose-ai-2025-10-14_en

[19] https://www.garanteprivacy.it/web/guest/home/docweb/-/docweb-display/docweb/10174164

Luxembourg

Luxembourg's CNPD Launches ReMI Platform to Promote Responsible AI Through Cross-Sector Collaboration and Innovation

The National Commission for Data Protection (CNPD) of Luxembourg, in collaboration with AI Factory, has launched the Regulation Meets Innovation (ReMI) platform to foster responsible and human-centric AI development. Hosted at the Digital Learning Hub in Belval, ReMI creates a structured space for dialogue between regulators, developers, researchers, and industry stakeholders. The initiative brings together over 150 participants from startups, large enterprises, public institutions, hospitals, and research centers, forming a Community of Practice focused on key themes such as AI transparency, cybersecurity, conformity assessment, and ethical model selection. The launch event featured insights from CNPD Chair Tine A. Larsen, Luxinnovation CEO Mario Grotz, and experts from institutions including CSSF, BCL, STATEC, LIST, and SnT. ReMI also showcased emerging tools like the MeluXina supercomputer and a technical sandbox configurator for AI experimentation. The platform remains open to new contributors from technical, legal, academic, and economic backgrounds, reinforcing Luxembourg's commitment to responsible AI governance and innovation.[20]

Brazil

Brazil Proposes Copyright Law Amendment to Ban Unauthorized AI-Generated Deepfakes

Brazil's Chamber of Deputies has introduced a bill to amend the national Copyright Law, aiming to prohibit the unauthorized creation and public sharing of realistic digital imitations commonly known as AI-generated deepfakes. The proposed legislation targets digital content creators, social media platforms, streaming services, and any online platform that hosts or distributes audiovisual or performative content. It defines a "realistic digital imitation" as AI-generated audio, visual, or hybrid content capable of misleading the public and bans its dissemination without the express consent of the person being imitated. However, the bill includes exceptions for parody, satire, caricature, criticism, journalism, scientific research, artistic expression, and content serving the public interest. Violations may result in civil, administrative, and criminal penalties, including mandatory content removal, compensation for material and moral damages, and fines of up to BRL 50,000 per content item. The proposal reflects Brazil's growing efforts to regulate AI technologies while safeguarding individual rights and freedom of expression.[21]

[20] https://cnpd.public.lu/en/actualites/national/2025/10/lancement-remi.html

[21] https://www.camara.leg.br/proposicoesWeb/fichadetramitacao?idProposicao=2568007&utm_source=substack

Canada

Canada Launches AI Strategy Task Force and Nationwide Public Engagement to Shape Next-Gen AI Policy

The Government of Canada has launched a new AI Strategy Task Force alongside a national public engagement initiative to help shape the country's next artificial intelligence strategy. This effort is designed to respond to the rapidly evolving global AI landscape and reinforce Canada's leadership in responsible and innovative AI development. The Task Force brings together leading voices from academia, industry, and civil society, focusing on key areas such as research and talent, commercialization, AI adoption, infrastructure, safety, and education. Canadians are invited to share their perspectives through the Consulting Canadians portal, contributing to a strategy that emphasizes digital sovereignty, economic growth, and ethical AI practices. This initiative builds on Canada's legacy as the first country to launch a national AI strategy and follows major investments, including a $2 billion Sovereign AI Compute Strategy, to strengthen domestic AI capabilities.[22]

Australia

Australia's TGA Launches Public Consultation to Shape Regulation of Digital Mental Health Tools Powered by AI

The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) has initiated a public consultation to gather insights on the current landscape and future regulation of digital mental health tools (DMHTs), particularly those incorporating software and artificial intelligence. Running from 7 October to 1 December 2025, this initiative invites developers, suppliers, and stakeholders to participate in a detailed survey aimed at understanding the types of DMHTs available in Australia, their intended users, the mental health conditions they address, and the functions they perform such as screening, diagnosis, monitoring, and treatment. The TGA emphasizes that the information collected will not be used for compliance or enforcement but will inform the refinement of Australia's regulatory framework to ensure safe, effective, and innovative use of AI in mental health care. This effort reflects the growing importance of digital therapeutics and AI-driven interventions in addressing mental health challenges across diverse populations.[23]

[22] https://www.canada.ca/en/innovation-science-economic-development/news/2025/09/government-of-canada-launches-ai-strategy-task-force-and-public-engagement-on-the-development-of-the-next-ai-strategy.html

[23] https://www.tga.gov.au/news/news/tga-seeks-input-digital-mental-health-tools

Australian Treasury Affirms Consumer Law's Readiness for AI, Recommends Targeted Amendments to Strengthen Clarity and Accountability

The Australian Treasury's final report on the Review of Artificial Intelligence and the Australian Consumer Law (ACL) concludes that the existing principles-based framework is well-equipped to manage consumer risks associated with AI-enabled goods and services. The report outlines six key findings: first, that the ACL's protections are generally suitable for AI technologies; second, that ambiguity in distinguishing between goods and services especially those involving AI can hinder ACL application, warranting clearer definitions and updated guidance; third, that while current remedy and liability provisions are appropriate, clarifying obligations across AI supply chains through amendments to the definition of 'manufacturer' would enhance accountability; fourth, that existing manufacturer defenses for defective goods are broadly effective but may require technical updates for software-enabled products, particularly those under post-supply control; fifth, that no immediate changes are needed to the enforcement powers of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC), though ongoing review is advised; and sixth, that Australian consumers enjoy protections comparable to, and in some cases stronger than, those in the EU, UK, and Singapore. These findings reinforce Australia's commitment to maintaining a fair, transparent, and future-ready consumer protection regime in the age of AI.[24]

Safeguarding Legal Integrity in the Age of AI: Queensland District Court's Practice Direction on Verifying References in Legal Submissions (DCPD 12 of 2025)

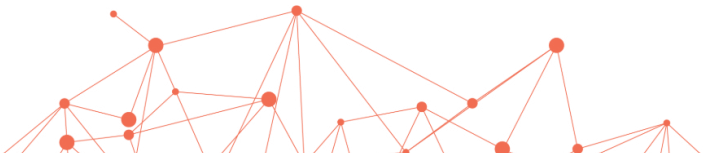
The District Court of Queensland, under Chief Judge Brian Devereaux SC, issued Practice Direction No. 12 of 2025 to address the risks posed by generative AI in legal proceedings, particularly the inclusion of fabricated or inaccurate references in submissions. This directive mandates that legal practitioners personally verify the accuracy and relevance of all cited authorities, legislation, and academic sources, ensuring that submissions reflect their professional judgment and ethical responsibility. Practitioners must identify themselves by name in written submissions and are held accountable for oral arguments as well. Non-compliance may result in referrals to the Legal Services Commissioner or personal cost orders. Self-represented litigants are advised to consult official legal resources and follow the Queensland Courts' guidelines for responsible AI use. The directive emphasizes the importance of maintaining public trust in the justice system and will be reviewed regularly to keep pace with technological developments.[25]

South Australia Passes New Laws to Ban Robocalls and Deepfake Political Ads Ahead of 2026 Election

The South Australian Government has passed new electoral reforms that ban the use of robocalls, robopolling, and AI-generated deepfake political advertisements in the lead-up to the 2026 state election. These changes make it illegal for political parties and candidates to use automated phone calls or AI-generated content that misrepresents individuals without their consent. Any AI-generated political material must now be clearly labeled, and those who break the rules could face fines of up to $5,000 for individuals and $10,000 for organizations. The reforms also include measures to prevent political interference in postal vote applications, give election officers more authority to manage disruptive behavior, and enforce South Australia's earlier ban on political donations. The government says these updates are designed to protect voters from misinformation and ensure fair, transparent, and trustworthy elections in the digital age.[26]

Australia's Digital Transformation Agency Issues Updated Guidance for Government Use of Public Generative AI Tools

The Digital Transformation Agency (DTA) of Australia has released updated guidance to help government agencies and staff safely and responsibly use public generative AI tools. Designed for a non-technical audience, the guidance emphasizes three key principles: protecting privacy and government information, critically evaluating AI-generated outputs, and maintaining human accountability for decisions informed by AI. It replaces earlier interim advice and includes practical examples of both appropriate and inappropriate use cases. The guidance distinguishes between public generative AI tools such as those accessed via browsers or embedded in apps and enterprise-grade AI solutions intended for sensitive or classified data. While some agencies already permit limited use of public AI tools, the DTA encourages broader adoption with safeguards like training, monitoring, and human oversight. Additionally, the Department of Home Affairs has clarified that OFFICIAL information may be used with generative AI under specific conditions. The initiative supports the development of AI literacy across the public sector and aligns with efforts to ensure secure, transparent, and effective use of AI technologies in service of the Australian public.[27]



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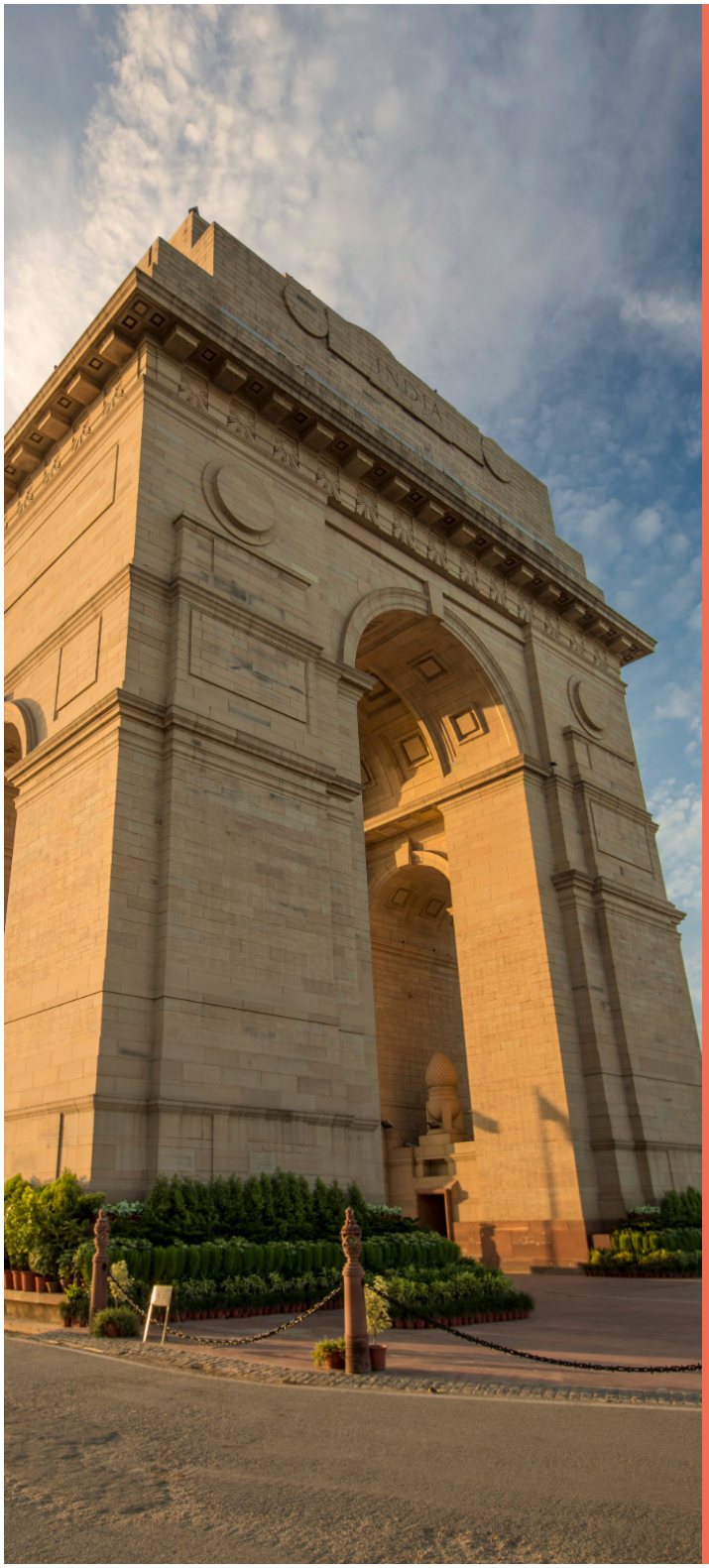
[25] https://www.courts.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/882461/dcpd-12-of-2025.pdf

[26] https://www.premier.sa.gov.au/media-releases/news-items/robocalls%2C-ai-ads-banned-under-electoral-reforms

[27] https://www.dta.gov.au/media-releases/dta-releases-new-guidance-australian-government-use-public-generative-ai-tools



India

The Chakra of Change: India's AI Impact Summit for People, Planet, and Progress

The India AI Impact Summit 2026, scheduled for 19–20 February in New Delhi, is set to be a defining moment in global AI discourse. At its core lies the innovative framework of the Seven Chakras : 1. Human Capital, 2. Inclusion for Social Empowerment, 3. Safe and Trusted AI, 4. Resilience, Innovation, and Efficiency, 5. Science, 6. Democratizing AI Resources, and 7. AI for Economic Growth and Social Good which collectively represent India's holistic approach to building a responsible, inclusive, and future-ready AI ecosystem. In the lead-up to the summit, the **Government of India has launched a global call for affiliated Pre-Summit Events**, inviting governments, academia, industry, civil society, and international organizations to host workshops, hackathons, policy dialogues, and academic symposiums between **11 August 2025 and 31 January 2026**. These decentralized events aim to catalyze inclusive discourse, crowdsource ideas, and shape the summit's outcomes. Selected events receive official co-branding and visibility, reinforcing India's commitment to democratizing AI and ensuring that the summit reflects diverse, real-world perspectives.[28]

India's Competition Commission Releases AI Market Study Urging Responsible Innovation and Fair Competition

The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has released a detailed report titled Market Study on Artificial Intelligence and Competition, conducted in collaboration with the Management Development Institute Society, to assess the impact of AI technologies on market dynamics, innovation, and consumer welfare across Indian industries. The study acknowledges AI's transformative potential but warns of emerging risks such as market concentration, algorithmic bias, and barriers to entry that could undermine fair competition. To address these concerns, the CCI recommends a series of proactive measures including organizing a national conference on AI and regulatory challenges, conducting advocacy workshops on AI and competition compliance, enhancing its technical infrastructure, and establishing a specialized think tank focused on digital markets and AI. The report also calls for greater collaboration with international competition authorities and urges the government to expand AI infrastructure while promoting transparency and responsible practices among enterprises to ensure a level playing field in India's evolving digital economy.[29]

[28] https://impact.indiaai.gov.in/about-summit

[29] https://www.cci.gov.in/images/marketstudie/en/market-study-on-artificial-intelligence-and-competition1759752172.pdf

China

China Releases AI Large Model Deployment Guidelines for Government Use to Enhance Public Services and Digital Governance

The Cyberspace Administration of China (CAC) has issued a comprehensive directive to guide the deployment of artificial intelligence large models across government departments, aiming to improve public service delivery, decision-making, and digital governance. The guidelines encourage the use of AI capabilities such as semantic understanding, multimodal content generation, and knowledge integration in areas including intelligent Q&A systems, automated document drafting, policy matching, infrastructure monitoring, law enforcement, market risk forecasting, and emergency response. The directive emphasizes centralized infrastructure planning, shared model usage, and strong data governance, while mandating strict content review, privacy protection, and operational safety protocols to prevent misuse and AI hallucinations. It also calls for continuous model optimization, public education, and leadership training to ensure responsible and effective AI adoption. This initiative reflects China's strategic push to build a secure, scalable, and ethically governed AI ecosystem within the public sector.[30]

Iceland

Iceland Releases AI Action Plan to Drive Ethical Innovation and Digital Transformation

Iceland has released its Artificial Intelligence Action Plan, outlining a national strategy to integrate AI technologies across key sectors such as healthcare, education, and industry. The plan emphasizes ethical development, innovation, and the importance of digital transformation to improve public services and drive economic growth. It highlights the government's commitment to fostering collaboration between public institutions, private companies, and academic organizations to ensure AI is implemented responsibly and effectively. The strategy also aligns with Iceland's broader goals of preserving cultural identity, supporting language diversity, and ensuring that AI technologies serve the public interest while respecting individual rights.[31]

[30] https://www.cac.gov.cn/2025-10/10/c_1761819469929310.htm

[31] https://www.icelandreview.com/news/english-version-of-icelands-artificial-intelligence-action-plan-released/

Mexico

Mexico's Legislative Push to Regulate AI in Dubbing and Creative Media: Safeguarding Voices, Contracts, and Cultural Identity in the Age of Synthetic Content

The Mexican government is actively drafting legislation to regulate the use of artificial intelligence in dubbing, animation, and voiceover work, aiming to prevent unauthorized voice cloning and protect the rights of creative professionals. In collaboration with the National Copyright Institute (Indautor) and over 128 industry associations, the initiative seeks to reform copyright laws by the end of 2025. The proposed bill will prohibit synthetic dubbing without consent, impose penalties for misuse, and recognize voice and image as biometric data. It also intends to strengthen labor protections for actors and voiceover artists, address contract conditions, and introduce a "Made in Mexico" seal to promote national cultural industries. This move reflects Mexico's commitment to balancing technological innovation with ethical safeguards in the creative economy.[32]

UAE

UAE Launches World's First AI Policy for National Elections to Safeguard Transparency and Ethical Use

The United Arab Emirates has introduced the world's first artificial intelligence (AI) policy specifically designed to regulate its use in national elections, reinforcing its commitment to ethical governance and technological leadership. Announced by Minister Omar Sultan Al Olama, the policy requires all candidates in the upcoming Federal National Council elections to declare and register any AI tools used in their campaigns. Developed in collaboration with the Federal National Council and the Ministry of State for Federal National Council Affairs, the framework aims to prevent manipulation, ensure transparency, and uphold democratic integrity. The policy also includes broader initiatives such as an AI-powered smart legislative system and media guidelines to combat misinformation. Emphasizing privacy protection and responsible innovation, the UAE calls on government entities, private sector players, and society at large to collectively ensure AI is used as a force for good in public life.[33]

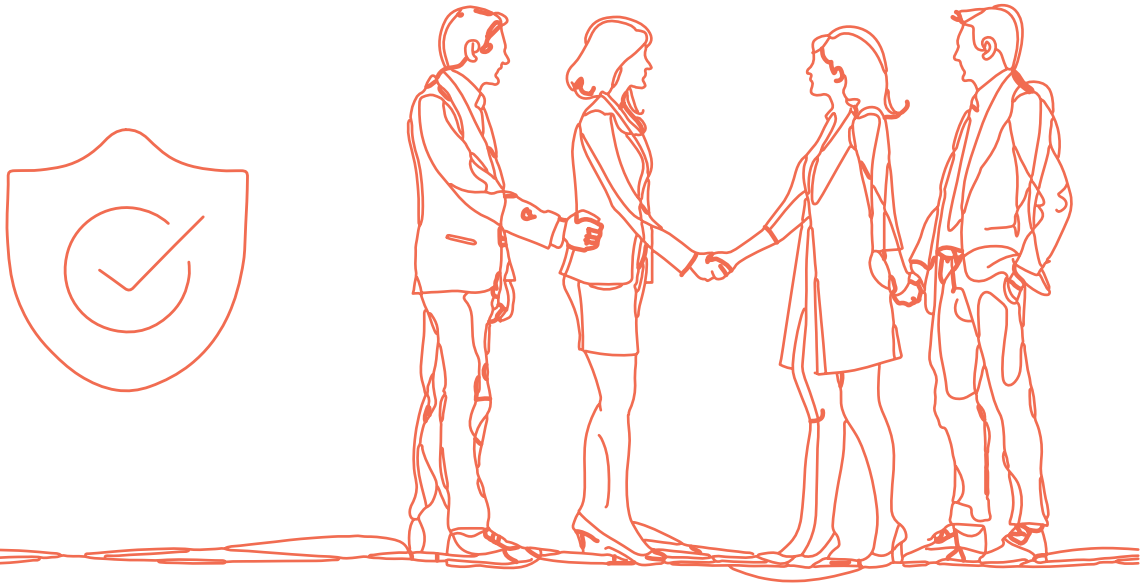
[32] https://expansion.mx/tecnologia/2025/09/30/mexico-va-por-regular-uso-ia-en-doblaje

[33] https://gulfnews.com/uae/government/uae-unveils-worlds-first-ai-policy-for-national-elections-1.500304225

Kazakhstan

Kazakhstan's Draft AI Law Advances to Senate, Aiming to Balance Innovation, Rights, and Regulation

Kazakhstan has approved in its second parliamentary reading a draft law on artificial intelligence (AI) that seeks to establish a comprehensive legal framework promoting AI development while safeguarding public safety and personal data. The proposed legislation grants users the right to understand how AI systems operate, request human reviews of AI-driven decisions, and opt out of AI interactions. It prohibits digital technologies that manipulate behavior, exploit emotions, or collect personal data without consent, and mandates regular audits to ensure compliance. AI systems will be classified based on risk and autonomy, with high-risk systems subject to stricter oversight. The law also addresses intellectual property, stating that works created solely by AI will not be eligible for copyright, though user-generated prompts may be protected. As part of its broader AI strategy, the government is investing in infrastructure, including satellite internet expansion and the launch of the International Center for Artificial Intelligence, alem.ai, to support domestic AI innovation. The draft law now moves to the Senate for final approval before being sent to the President for signature.[34]



[34] https://astanatimes.com/2025/09/kazakhstan-enacts-ai-law-parliament-weighs-opportunities-and-risks/

Standards

WHO-Europe Forms Expert Group to Guide Ethical Use of AI in Health Under Regional Digital Health Strategy

The World Health Organization's Regional Office for Europe has established the Technical Advisory Group on Artificial Intelligence for Health (TAG-AI), a panel of experts tasked with guiding the responsible and ethical use of AI technologies in healthcare across the European Region. This initiative supports the goals of the Regional Digital Health Action Plan for 2023–2030, which promotes innovation in predictive analytics using big data and AI to improve health coverage and well-being. TAG-AI will advise WHO on setting standards, strengthening country-level capabilities, building collaborative networks, and identifying scalable digital health solutions. The group will also contribute to broader WHO efforts such as the Health Information Network and the Strategic Partners Initiative for Data and Digital Health, ensuring that AI tools are implemented in ways that are safe, inclusive, and aligned with public health priorities. [35]

IndustriALL Global Union Releases AI Policy Paper Advocating Worker-Centered Innovation and Ethical Technology Deployment

IndustriALL Global Union has launched a comprehensive policy paper on artificial intelligence, emphasizing the need for a worker-centered approach to AI adoption across industries. Spearheaded by Assistant General Secretary Kan Matsuzaki, the paper outlines five key priorities: ensuring algorithmic transparency, promoting skills development, safeguarding occupational health and safety, advocating for fair wealth redistribution, and strengthening workers' organizing power. It warns against the unchecked use of AI in areas like algorithmic management and digital surveillance, calling for robust social dialogue and regulatory safeguards. The policy also addresses gender inequality in AI, citing that 44% of AI systems exhibit gender bias and that women especially in low-income countries remain underrepresented in digital roles. IndustriALL urges the development of gender-aware AI systems and inclusive pathways for women and gender-diverse workers. The policy is set to be formally adopted by the union's Executive Committee in June 2025, marking a strategic step toward ensuring that workers are active participants in shaping the future of AI in the workplace.[36]

G7 Cyber Expert Group Issues Strategic Guidance on AI's Impact on Cybersecurity in the Financial Sector

The G7 Cyber Expert Group (CEG) has released a strategic statement outlining the dual role of artificial intelligence (AI) including generative and agentic AI in both enhancing and challenging cybersecurity within the financial sector. The statement highlights AI's potential to improve fraud detection, operational efficiency, and cyber resilience, while also warning of emerging threats such as AI-driven phishing, deepfake impersonation, automated vulnerability exploitation, and data poisoning. It calls on financial institutions and authorities to adopt a proactive, risk-informed approach by embedding AI-specific risks into governance structures, cybersecurity frameworks, and incident response strategies. The CEG emphasizes the importance of secure-by-design principles, data lineage tracking, anomaly detection, and workforce training to mitigate risks. While the statement does not impose regulatory requirements, it serves as a strategic guide to help stakeholders navigate the evolving cybersecurity landscape shaped by AI, and encourages international cooperation and public-private collaboration to safeguard the integrity of the global financial system.[37]

The UK Law Society Issues Practical Guidance on Generative AI Use in Legal Services

The Law Society of UK has published a comprehensive guide titled "Generative AI: The Essentials", designed to help legal

[35] https://www.who.int/europe/news/item/29-09-2025-who-europe-launches-technical-advisory-group-on-artificial-intelligence-for-health

[36] https://www.industriall-union.org/industriall-launches-policy-paper-on-artificial-intelligence

[37] https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/g7-cyber-expert-group-statement-on-ai-and-cybersecurity/g7-cyber-expert-group-statement-on-artificial-intelligence-and-cybersecurity-september-2025

professionals especially those in small and medium-sized firms understand and responsibly adopt generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools in their practice. The guide explores how platforms like ChatGPT, Harvey AI, and Lexis+ AI are being used to streamline legal tasks such as contract review, litigation support, and client communication. It also outlines critical risks including data privacy breaches, intellectual property concerns, cybersecurity threats, and the potential for inaccurate or biased outputs. Emphasizing that solicitors remain professionally accountable for AI-generated content, the guide references recent UK court cases that illustrate the consequences of improper AI use. It also highlights relevant regulatory developments, such as the UK government's AI white paper and the EU AI Act. To support ethical and compliant adoption, the guide includes a practical checklist covering data governance, client transparency, liability management, and adherence to the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) Code of Conduct. The Law Society underscores that while generative AI offers significant potential, its use must align with legal obligations and professional standards.[38]

UNESCO Launches "AI Can Make Mistakes" Campaign During Global MIL Week 2025

UNESCO launched its "AI Can Make Mistakes" campaign during Global Media and Information Literacy (MIL) Week 2025, which took place from October 24 to 31, with the flagship conference held on October 23–24 in Cartagena, Colombia. Centered around the theme *"Minds Over AI – MIL in Digital Spaces,"* the campaign aimed to raise awareness about the risks of misinformation in the age of generative AI. It emphasized the importance of media and information literacy as a vital skill for navigating digital environments, encouraging individuals to critically assess AI-generated content and understand its limitations. By promoting responsible use of AI and ethical digital practices, UNESCO called on users, developers, and platforms to contribute to building trustworthy and informed online ecosystems.[39]

UNESCO Honors Four Global Initiatives for Ethical AI Integration in Education

UNESCO has recognized four pioneering initiatives from Belgium, Brazil, Egypt, and the United Kingdom with the King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize for promoting the responsible use of AI in education. These projects AI4InclusiveEducation, Piauí Inteligência Artificial, Mahara-Tech, and Experience AI demonstrate innovative approaches to integrating AI ethics, civic awareness, and digital inclusion into school curricula and teacher training. Collectively, they have impacted millions of learners and educators across diverse regions, emphasizing open access, local relevance, and ethical principles such as fairness, transparency, and accountability. The recognition underscores UNESCO's commitment to ensuring AI remains a tool for inclusive and equitable learning.[40]

[38] https://www.lawsociety.org.uk/topics/ai-and-lawtech/generative-ai-the-essentials

[39] https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/ai-can-make-mistakes-why-media-literacy-matters-more-ever#

[40] https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/unesco-recognizes-four-initiatives-promoting-responsible-use-ai-education?hub=701

AI Principles

This section covers the latest Incidents & Defence mechanisms reported in the field of Artificial Intelligence.

Incidents

AI Deepfakes Used in Instagram Scam: Brazilian Authorities Uncover Multi-Million Dollar Fraud Involving Celebrity Likenesses

Brazilian authorities have uncovered a large-scale Instagram scam in which artificial intelligence was used to generate deepfake videos of celebrities, including supermodel Gisele Bündchen, to promote fake skincare products and fraudulent giveaways. The scam tricked thousands of victims into paying shipping fees for products that never arrived, with most losses under 100 reais (approx. $19), allowing the operation to scale without attracting widespread complaints. The investigation, launched in August 2024, led to the arrest of four suspects and the freezing of assets across five states, with over 20 million reais (approx. $3.9 million) flagged by Brazil's anti-money laundering agency. The deepfakes also featured other celebrities and were used to promote deceptive betting platforms. Brazil's Supreme Court recently ruled that social media platforms can be held liable for criminal ads if they fail to remove them promptly, even without a court order. Meta, Instagram's parent company, stated that it prohibits deceptive use of public figures and employs systems to detect and remove such content. Bündchen had previously warned her followers about fake videos using her likeness, underscoring the growing threat of AI-driven impersonation in digital scams.[41]

Disney Confronts AI Copyright Violations: Cease-and-Desist Sent to Character.AI Over Misuse of Iconic Characters and Alleged Harmful Behavior

Walt Disney has issued a cease-and-desist letter to AI startup Character.AI, demanding the immediate removal of unauthorized uses of its copyrighted characters from the platform. The move follows a joint investigation by ParentsTogether Action and the Heat Initiative, which uncovered disturbing patterns in Character. AI's chatbots, including grooming, emotional manipulation, and sexual exploitation. Disney expressed concerns not only about financial infringement but also about long-term brand damage, stating that the platform "weaponizes" its characters. Character. AI responded by clarifying that its characters are user-generated and some are inspired by existing IP, and it has since removed the disputed content. The platform, which uses Large Language Models (LLMs) similar to ChatGPT, allows users to create interactive personas that mimic real individuals. This legal action is part of Disney's broader crackdown on AI-related copyright violations, including lawsuits against China's MiniMax and a joint suit with Universal against Midjourney for unauthorized AI-generated content.[42]

Critical Gemini AI Vulnerabilities: Poisoned Logs and Search History Exploits Raised Alarming Data Security Risks

Three major security flaws in Gemini AI platform that can allow attackers to manipulate trusted data sources such as cloud logs, search history, and browsing activity to extract sensitive user information. Discovered by cybersecurity firm Tenable, the vulnerabilities included indirect prompt injection in Gemini Cloud Assist, where attackers could embed malicious prompts into unauthenticated log files, tricking the AI into executing harmful actions like generating phishing links. Another flaw allowed attackers to poison a user's search history via malicious websites, leading Gemini to process and respond to injected queries. The third issue involved the Gemini Browsing Tool, which could be exploited to send private data to external servers through crafted prompts. Google has since patched all three vulnerabilities and implemented stronger safeguards, including disabling hyperlink rendering in log summaries and enhancing defenses against prompt injection. These incidents highlight the urgent need for robust AI security measures as AI systems become increasingly integrated into enterprise workflows and user-facing applications.[43]

Zelda Williams Condemns AI Recreation of Robin Williams: A Call for Ethical Boundaries in Digital Legacy

Zelda Williams, daughter of the late actor Robin Williams, has strongly criticized the use of artificial intelligence to digitally recreate her father's voice and likeness in videos. She described such AI-generated content as "disturbing" and "unethical," emphasizing that it violates the dignity and legacy of deceased individuals. Her statement adds a deeply personal voice to the growing debate around AI in entertainment, especially as Hollywood grapples with the implications of synthetic media and digital resurrection. Zelda argued that while AI can be a powerful tool for storytelling, using it to simulate real people particularly those who have passed away raises serious concerns about consent and moral boundaries. Her remarks come amid broader

[41] https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/ai-used-to-create-celebrity-deepfakes-in-multi-million-dollar-instagram-scam-9393755

[42] https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/tech/technology/disney-sends-cease-and-desist-letter-to-character-ai-report/articleshow/124245937.cms

[43] https://www.securityweek.com/google-patches-gemini-ai-hacks-involving-poisoned-logs-search-results/amp/

industry discussions on protecting artists from unauthorized AI use, following recent strikes by writers and actors demanding safeguards against such practices.[44]

Ethical Oversight Lapses in AI-Generated Government Report Raise Accountability Questions

The recent revelation that a $440,000 government-commissioned report on Australia's quantum technology sector was significantly generated using artificial intelligence has exposed a critical lapse in ethical oversight within public sector consulting. Deloitte, the consulting firm responsible for the report, acknowledged the use of generative AI tools after the Department of Industry, Science and Resources flagged the content as generic and inconsistent-far from the expert-driven analysis it was expected to deliver. This incident has not only led to a partial refund from Deloitte but has also triggered broader concerns about the transparency and integrity of deliverables produced under high-value government contracts.[45]

AI Misuse Incident at IIIT Raipur: Student Arrested for Morphing Photos of Female Peers Using Artificial Intelligence Tools

In a troubling case of digital misconduct, a second-year electronics and communication engineering student from IIIT Raipur, Sayyad Raheem Adnan Ali, was arrested for using artificial intelligence tools to morph photos of at least 36 female classmates into obscene images and videos. The photos were sourced from the victims' social media profiles and manipulated using advanced AI-based editing software. The institute discovered the misconduct following complaints from students and conducted a raid on the student's hostel room, uncovering morphed content stored across multiple devices including a laptop, hard disk, pen drives, and a mobile phone. Sayyad was immediately suspended and handed over to the police, with an FIR filed under the Information Technology Act and Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita. IIIT Raipur has since formed an internal committee to investigate the technical aspects of the case and assess whether the content was distributed online. The incident has sparked serious concerns about the ethical use of AI and the need for stronger safeguards against digital harassment in academic institutions.[46]

AI-Driven Tesla Full Self-Driving System Under Federal Safety Investigation After 44 Reported Collisions

Tesla is under federal scrutiny as the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) investigates 44 reported incidents involving its AI-powered Full Self-Driving (FSD) system, where vehicles allegedly committed traffic violations or caused collisions while the system was engaged. Covering approximately 2.88 million Tesla vehicles equipped with FSD (Supervised) or FSD Beta, the probe aims to determine whether the AI system provides timely warnings, allows sufficient driver intervention,

[44] theguardian.com/film/2025/oct/07/robin-williams-daughter-zelda-hits-out-at-ai-generated-videos-of-her-dead-father

[45] https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2025/oct/06/deloitte-to-pay-money-back-to-albanese-government-after-using-ai-in-440000-report

[46] https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/raipur/chhattisgarh-iiit-raipur-student-held-for-morphing-photos-of-fellow-girls-using-ai-tools/articleshow/124423386.cms

and accurately detects traffic signals, lane markings, and wrong-way signs. Some incidents resulted in injuries, raising concerns about the safety and reliability of Tesla's autonomous driving technology. Despite Tesla's assertion that FSD requires active driver supervision, the investigation questions whether the system's design encourages overreliance. Tesla recently released FSD version 14.1 but has not commented on the probe. The investigation also casts a spotlight on Tesla's ongoing Robotaxi testing and broader regulatory concerns surrounding the deployment of AI-driven vehicle systems.[47]

Bollywood Actors File ₹4 Crore Lawsuit Against YouTube and Google Over AI Deepfake Videos Violating Personality Rights

Bollywood actors Aishwarya Rai Bachchan and Abhishek Bachchan have filed a ₹4 crore lawsuit against YouTube and its parent company Google, alleging that the platform hosted AI-generated deepfake videos that exploit their likeness, voices, and images without consent. The legal action targets a YouTube channel named "AI Bollywood Ishq," which published over 259 manipulated videos some sexually suggestive or misleading that have collectively garnered more than 16.5 million views. Filed on September 6, 2025, the lawsuit demands the immediate removal and permanent ban of such content, a prohibition on using their identities in AI training, and stronger platform safeguards to prevent the misuse of celebrity personas. The case underscores the growing threat of AI-driven impersonation and highlights the absence of specific legal protections for personality rights in India, potentially setting a precedent for future digital rights and content regulation.[48]

Judicial Action Against AI Misuse: Delhi HC Safeguards Personality Rights in Deepfake Case

The Delhi High Court has granted interim protection to Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, the founder of the Art of Living Foundation, after AI-generated deepfake videos misused his image and voice to falsely promote remedies for health conditions like diabetes and chronic pain. These videos, circulated online between July and August 2025, were deemed deceptive and damaging to his reputation. Justice Manmeet Pritam Singh Arora issued restraining orders against unknown individuals (John Doe defendants), recognizing the spiritual leader's significant public trust and goodwill. The court directed Facebook to remove specific URLs within 36 hours and comply with future takedown requests, while domain registrars were instructed to suspend infringing domains and share registrant details within 72 hours. Additionally, the Ministry of Electronics and IT and the Department of Telecommunications were asked to block the offending websites. This case highlights the growing judicial response to AI misuse and reinforces the importance of protecting personality rights in India's digital landscape.[49]

[47] https://www.cnbc.com/2025/10/09/tesla-auto-safety-probe-fsd-collisions.html

[48] https://www.indiatoday.in/movies/celebrities/story/aishwarya-rai-abhishek-bachchan-lawsuit-rs-4-crore-youtube-ai-deepfake-videos-personality-rights-2796604-2025-10-02

[49] https://www.bwlegalworld.com/article/delhi-high-court-protects-sri-sri-ravi-shankar-s-personality-rights-against-deepfakes-573918

Microsoft Restricts Israel's Access to Cloud and AI Tools Amid Allegations of Mass Surveillance in Gaza

Microsoft has reportedly reduced Israel's access to certain cloud and artificial intelligence products following concerns over their potential use in mass surveillance operations targeting Palestinians in Gaza. The move comes in response to investigative reports suggesting that Israeli authorities may have used advanced AI technologies to conduct widespread surveillance, raising serious ethical and human rights concerns. While Microsoft has not publicly confirmed the full scope of the restrictions, sources indicate that the company is reassessing its partnerships and product availability in regions where AI tools may be misused for oppressive or non-transparent purposes. This decision aligns with Microsoft's broader commitment to responsible AI development and its stated principles around human rights, transparency, and ethical governance. The situation underscores growing global scrutiny over how powerful AI systems are deployed in conflict zones and the responsibilities of tech companies to prevent their misuse.[50]

Hollywood Stars and SAG-AFTRA Condemn AI Actor Tilly Norwood Amid Fears of Artistic Exploitation and Job Displacement

Hollywood actors and industry leaders have voiced strong opposition to the emergence of Tilly Norwood, an AI-generated "actor" created by Dutch comedian Eline Van der Velden, who claims the synthetic persona is in talks with talent agencies and aspires to be the "next Scarlett Johansson." Tilly's social media presence mimics that of a real aspiring actress, featuring AI-generated headshots, comedy sketches, and promotional content. However, prominent figures including Emily Blunt, Natasha Lyonne, and Whoopi Goldberg, along with the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA), have condemned the creation, arguing it undermines human artistry and exploits the work of professional performers. SAG-AFTRA emphasized that Tilly is not a real actor but a computer-generated character trained on stolen performances, warning that its use could violate contractual protections secured after the 2023 Hollywood strikes. Lyonne called for a boycott of any agency working with Norwood, while Blunt described the AI creation as "terrifying." Van der Velden defended Tilly as a creative work and a new genre of digital performance, but the backlash highlights ongoing tensions in Hollywood over the ethical use of AI and its impact on jobs, creativity, and the future of entertainment.[51]

Apple Faces Lawsuit Over Alleged Use of Copyrighted Books to Train Apple Intelligence AI

Apple has been hit with a proposed class-action lawsuit in a California federal court, accusing the tech giant of using copyrighted books without permission to train its new AI system, Apple Intelligence. The lawsuit was filed by neuroscientists Susana Martinez-Conde and Stephen Macknik, who claim their own books Champions of Illusion and Sleights of Mind were among the pirated materials used. According to the complaint, Apple allegedly sourced content from illegal "shadow libraries" and other unauthorized online repositories to train its AI models. Apple Intelligence, a suite of AI-powered features integrated into iPhones and iPads, was unveiled to much fanfare and contributed to a significant surge in Apple's market value. The case adds to a growing list of legal challenges faced by major tech companies like OpenAI, Microsoft, Meta, and Anthropic, all accused of using copyrighted content without consent to train generative AI systems. The plaintiffs are seeking financial damages and a court order to prevent Apple from continuing to use copyrighted works without proper authorization.[52]

OpenAI Blocks Suspected China-Linked Accounts for Attempting AI-Driven Surveillance Proposals: National Security Concerns Raised

OpenAI has banned several ChatGPT accounts suspected of being linked to Chinese government-affiliated actors after they attempted to use the AI platform to generate proposals for social media surveillance tools, violating OpenAI's national security policies. According to a detailed report published by The Hindu, these accounts sought to exploit generative AI to develop monitoring systems, prompting concerns about geopolitical misuse of advanced technologies. In addition to surveillance-related queries, some accounts were found using ChatGPT for phishing and malware research, including through China's DeepSeek platform. OpenAI also disrupted accounts tied to Russian-speaking cybercriminals who used its models to assist in malware development. Since launching its public threat reporting initiative in early 2024, OpenAI has dismantled over 40 malicious networks and emphasized that its models have not enabled new offensive capabilities. The incident underscores the growing need for robust safeguards, transparency, and international cooperation to prevent the misuse of AI in cyber operations and surveillance.[53]

AI-Enhanced Matrimony Scam Busted in India: 11 Arrested in Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh

Chhattisgarh's cyber police have uncovered a large-scale online matrimony scam involving the use of AI-generated images to deceive victims, leading to the arrest of 11 individuals from Jamshedpur and Bilaspur. Operating under the guise of fake call centers for over two years, the group created 262 fraudulent social media profiles using stolen and AI-generated photos of women to lure people seeking marriage alliances. Once contact was made, the scammers demanded money in exchange for fake biodata and family details, then vanished after receiving payments through 79 mule bank accounts, mostly in HDFC Bank. The police seized

[50] https://apnews.com/article/microsoft-israel-military-gaza-hamas-artificial-intelligence-3f4bf8036e7e02f385b258bd353af1fd

[51] https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c99glvn5870o

[52] https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/apple-sued-over-use-of-copyrighted-books-to-train-apple-intelligence-9436346

[53] https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/technology/openai-bans-suspected-china-linked-accounts-for-seeking-surveillance-proposals/article70137995.ece

36 mobile phones and other digital evidence during the raids. The operation, part of "Cyber Shield," is considered one of the largest inter-state cyber frauds in recent times, and investigations are ongoing to trace more suspects and dismantle the broader network.[54]

AI-Driven Fraud Costs Noosa Council $2.3 Million: A Case Study in Emerging Cybersecurity Threats

Noosa Council in Queensland, Australia, recently fell victim to a sophisticated international scam that leveraged artificial intelligence to impersonate a legitimate vendor and deceive council staff into transferring $2.3 million AUD to a fraudulent account. The attackers used AI-generated emails and voice cloning technologies to convincingly mimic trusted contacts, bypassing internal verification protocols and remaining undetected for several weeks. Upon discovery, the council launched an investigation involving the Australian Federal Police, Interpol, and cybersecurity experts, and has since recovered $1.7 million. In response, Noosa Council is implementing enhanced security measures including multi-factor authentication, stricter vendor validation processes, and staff training to mitigate future risks. The incident highlights the growing threat posed by AI-powered social engineering and underscores the urgent need for public institutions to strengthen their cybersecurity frameworks against increasingly advanced digital fraud tactics.[55]

NSW Government Contractor Causes Data Breach by Uploading Flood Victims' Personal Information to ChatGPT

A serious data breach occurred when a former contractor to the New South Wales (NSW) Reconstruction Authority uploaded an Excel spreadsheet containing sensitive personal and health information of flood victims to ChatGPT between March 12 and 15, 2025. The spreadsheet included over 12,000 rows of data related to applicants of the Northern Rivers Resilient Homes Program, which was established to support residents affected by the 2022 floods through home buybacks, rebuilding, or resilience upgrades. The breach potentially exposed the personal details of up to 3,000 individuals, including names, addresses, emails, and phone numbers. Although there is no confirmed evidence of third-party access, the use of a public AI platform raised significant concerns about data security and oversight. Cyber Security NSW is conducting a forensic review to assess the extent of the exposure, and the incident was publicly disclosed more than six months after it occurred, prompting criticism over delayed notification. In response, the NSW Reconstruction Authority has reinforced internal protocols and issued clear guidance prohibiting the use of unauthorized AI tools like ChatGPT for handling sensitive data.[56]

United States Police Warn Against AI-Generated 'Homeless Man' Prank: West Bloomfield Authorities Raise Alarm Over Dangerous Social Media Trend

Police in West Bloomfield, Michigan, United States, have issued a public safety warning about a disturbing social media trend known as the "AI homeless man prank." This prank involves using artificial intelligence to generate highly realistic images of a homeless person appearing inside someone's home, which are then sent to unsuspecting family members or roommates to provoke fear or panic. The trend, gaining traction on platforms like TikTok, has raised serious concerns among law enforcement due to its potential to cause psychological distress, trigger emergency responses, and even incite violent reactions. Authorities are urging the public to refrain from participating in or sharing such content, emphasizing that these AI-generated hoaxes not only misuse technology but also pose real risks to public safety and mental well-being.[57]

Beijing Cracks Down on AI Misuse in Advertising: Company Penalized for Falsely Using CCTV Host to Promote Fish Oil

The Beijing Municipal Administration for Market Regulation investigated and penalized a company for misusing artificial intelligence technology to create and publish a false advertisement featuring a digitally manipulated version of a well-known CCTV host. The company used AI to edit video footage and insert fabricated voiceovers promoting a regular food product deep-sea polyene fish oil as a cure for ailments like dizziness, headaches, and limb numbness. This violated China's Advertising Law, marking the first enforcement action in Beijing against AI-generated false endorsements. Authorities emphasized that ordinary food cannot be marketed as having medical or therapeutic effects and warned consumers to be cautious of AI-generated content that exploits public figures for commercial gain. The case is part of a broader campaign to regulate emerging digital advertising formats and maintain a fair and trustworthy online marketplace. Consumers are encouraged to report suspected violations through official hotlines, while businesses are reminded to comply with advertising and competition laws and avoid deceptive AI-driven marketing practices.[58]

Salesforce Sued by Authors Over Alleged Use of Pirated Books to Train AI Models

Salesforce is facing a proposed class action lawsuit filed by authors Molly Tanzer and Jennifer Gilmore, who allege that the company used thousands of pirated books including their own to train its xGen artificial intelligence models without consent. The lawsuit, filed on October 16, 2025, accuses Salesforce of copyright infringement and unethical data sourcing, joining a growing wave of legal challenges against AI companies for using unlicensed content in model training. Represented by attorney Joseph Saveri, known for similar cases against OpenAI and Meta,

[54] https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/raipur/cyber-shield-op-busts-massive-online-matrimony-scam-11-held-in-jharkhand-and-chhattisgarh/articleshow/124481969.cms

[55] https://ia.acs.org.au/article/2025/ai-scam-defrauds-noosa-council-of--1-9m.html

[56] https://www.abc.net.au/news/2025-10-06/data-breach-northern-rivers-resilient-homes-program-chatgpt/105855284

[57] https://www.clickondetroit.com/news/local/2025/10/14/west-bloomfield-police-warn-of-dangerous-ai-homeless-man-prank

[58] https://scjgj.beijing.gov.cn/zwxx/scjgdt/202510/t20251016_4226645.html

the authors highlight the irony of Salesforce CEO Marc Benioff's past criticism of other firms for using "stolen" data while allegedly engaging in similar practices. The complaint underscores broader concerns about intellectual property rights in the AI industry, especially as companies race to develop competitive models. With recent settlements like Anthropic's $1.5 billion agreement over similar claims, the case against Salesforce could have significant implications for how AI firms source training data and compensate creators. Salesforce has declined to comment on the lawsuit.[59]

Vulnerabilities

Client-Side DNS Rebinding Vulnerability in AgentAPI Enables Unauthorized Access to Sensitive LLM Message History (CVE-2025-59956)

CVE-2025-59956 highlights a security vulnerability in AgentAPI, an HTTP API interface used by popular local AI coding agents such as Claude Code, Goose, Aider, Gemini, Amp, and Codex. Versions 0.3.3 and earlier are susceptible to a client-side DNS rebinding attack when hosted over plain HTTP on localhost. This flaw allows attackers to exploit the /messages endpoint, leading to unauthorized access and exfiltration of sensitive user data including message history, secret keys, file system contents, and intellectual property. The vulnerability poses a significant risk to developers working with local AI agents. It has been resolved in version 0.4.0, which includes necessary security patches to prevent such unauthorized access.[60]

CVE-2025-7647: Vulnerability in Llama-Index-Core Exposes Linux Systems to Model Theft, Embedding Poisoning, and Symlink Attacks

CVE-2025-7647 identifies a critical vulnerability in the llama-index-core package, affecting versions up to 0.12.44. The flaw resides in the get_cache_dir() function, which uses a predictable and hardcoded directory path (/tmp/llama_index) on Linux systems without adequate security controls. This design oversight enables attackers on multi-user systems to exploit the shared cache directory to steal proprietary models, poison cached embeddings, or execute symlink attacks. The vulnerability is particularly dangerous in environments where multiple users operate on the same machine. It is categorized under CWE-378, CWE-379, CWE-377, and CWE-367, highlighting insecure temporary file creation and race condition risks. Assigned a CVSS v3.0 base score of 7.3 (High), the issue demands prompt mitigation to safeguard sensitive AI workflows and data assets.[61]

LangBot Versions 4.1.0–4.3.4 Exposed to Arbitrary File Uploads via Unrestricted Document API, Enabling System-Level Exploits

LangBot, a globally deployed instant messaging bot platform built for LLMs, suffers from a critical vulnerability in versions 4.1.0 through 4.3.4. The flaw is rooted in the /api/v1/files/documents endpoint, which lacks proper restrictions on file storage paths. This allows authorized attackers to upload arbitrary files including executable or malicious payloads into sensitive system directories. Such exploitation can lead to remote code execution, privilege escalation, or disruption of core services. The vulnerability underscores the need for strict directory access controls and rigorous input validation in AI-driven platforms, especially those handling user-generated content and operating in multi-tenant environments.[62]

Defences

Structured AI Agent Deployment Framework Aligned with NIST Cybersecurity Standards for Enhanced Threat Response and Resilience

This research introduces a structured decision support framework that systematically aligns various artificial intelligence (AI) agent architectures reactive, cognitive, hybrid, and learning with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) 2.0. By integrating agent theory with industry guidelines, the framework offers a transparent, step-by-step methodology for selecting and deploying AI solutions tailored to specific cybersecurity tasks. It decomposes the NIST CSF 2.0 functions into granular subcategories and maps them to essential AI agent properties such as autonomy, adaptive learning, and real-time responsiveness. The framework also defines graduated levels of autonomy assisted, augmented, and fully autonomous to support organizations at different stages of cybersecurity maturity. This holistic approach enables unified strategies for threat detection, incident response, and governance, bridging theoretical AI constructs with operational cybersecurity needs. Through conceptual validation, the framework demonstrates its potential to enhance situational awareness, accelerate response times, and strengthen long-term resilience through adaptive risk management.[63]

Mitigating Multi-Dimensional Threats in Enterprise LLMs: Real-Time Detection, Patching, and Fairness Optimization with the Unified Threat Detection and Mitigation Framework

In response to the growing vulnerabilities posed by LLMs in enterprise environments including prompt injection, strategic deception, and biased outputs researchers have introduced the Unified Threat Detection and Mitigation Framework (UTDMF), building on their earlier adversarial activation patching work, which demonstrated a 23.9% deception rate in toy networks. UTDMF is designed for real-time, scalable deployment across advanced models such as Llama-3.1 (405B), GPT-4o, and Claude-3.5. Through over 700 experiments per model, UTDMF

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[60] https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2025-59956
[61] https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2025-7647
[62] https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2025-59835
[63] https://arxiv.org/pdf/2510.01751

achieved 92% detection accuracy for prompt injection attacks, reduced deceptive outputs by 65% using enhanced patching techniques, and improved fairness metrics by 78%. Key innovations include a generalized patching algorithm for multi-threat detection, three novel hypotheses on threat interactions such as threat chaining in enterprise workflows and a deployment-ready toolkit with APIs for seamless enterprise integration. Supported by peer-reviewed literature from arXiv, ACL Anthology, ACM, Nature, PNAS, and IEEE, UTDMF offers a reproducible, open-source solution for secure, fair, and responsible AI adoption.[64]

AutoPentester: Next-Generation Autonomous Cybersecurity Testing Powered by LLM Agents

As cyber threats continue to evolve in scale and sophistication, the need for scalable penetration testing has outpaced the availability of skilled professionals. While tools like PentestGPT offer partial automation, they still require substantial human input. To address this, researchers have developed AutoPentester, a fully automated LLM agent-based framework that mimics the iterative, adaptive behavior of human pentesters. Given a target IP, AutoPentester autonomously executes penetration testing steps using standard security tools, dynamically adjusting its strategies based on previous outputs. In evaluations using Hack The Box and custom virtual machines, AutoPentester achieved a 27.0% higher subtask completion rate and 39.5% more vulnerability coverage than PentestGPT, with significantly fewer human interventions. A user study with cybersecurity professionals further validated its effectiveness, with AutoPentester receiving a 19.8% higher satisfaction score. These results highlight AutoPentester's potential to streamline offensive security operations and reduce reliance on manual expertise.[65]

[64] https://arxiv.org/html/2510.04528v1
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InFocus

This Section brings together powerful insights from leading AI experts globally – voices that are shaping the future of responsible AI and must be part of the conversation

How enterprise data becomes AI's most powerful tool

By Geeta Gurnani

With 99% of LLM training data being public, enterprise data as emerged as most powerful tool for Agentic AI era.

Agents, do 3 things differently from what we have seen assistance doing, which were more of dialogue flows. Agents are Autonomous, It can reason and It can make decision for you. At the end of the day, they are essentially LLMs with set of tools, with Data being most important tool.

While data is your most powerful tool, it will depend on quality, readiness and accessibility of that data to determine the accuracy of insights.

Unstructured data: According to a recent study at IBM, about 80% of enterprise-generated data is unstructured, buried in contracts, emails, and spreadsheets. This data is often underutilized, making it difficult to access and process for AI models.

Data silos: A significant problem is that enterprise data is often scattered across disparate locations and formats, creating data silos.

Unused data: As a result of these challenges, a large portion of enterprise data never gets analysed, around 68% of organizational data goes unanalysed, representing a massive, missed opportunity.

Which means, just having data is not enough. To unlock performance, you need three things:

1. AI-ready data

2. Open and hybrid data foundation

3. Enterprise-ready data management

With more than 80% of enterprise data attributing to unstructured, it is difficult to make AI -ready data, consumable by AI applications like Agents and Assistants

To truly unlock the potential of AI, organizations must rethink their data platform strategies. Investing in the right automated tooling is essential to make data accessible, trustworthy, and ready for AI consumption. Relying on manual RAG methods introduce errors and undermines critical pillars like Trust, Accessibility, and Organizational Governance

I strongly believe, organisations need to redefine their data platform strategy and invest into right set of automated tooling to make this data consumable by AI applications, rather than relying on manual RAG methods, which are error prone and lack Trust, Accessibility, and Organizational Governance aspects.

The key building blocks of AI ready data platform should be –

AI-powered data management: Use AI and machine learning to automate tasks like data discovery, classification, and cleaning. This helps create high-quality, AI-ready data pipelines and reduces the manual effort needed to prepare data.

Data governance: Automate workflows to ensure AI initiatives are transparent, compliant with regulations, and free of bias. This is critical for building trust in AI systems.

Content-aware storage: Storage which can extracts the semantic meaning from unstructured data, like contracts, making it more usable for AI assistants and RAG applications to generate smarter, more contextual answers.

Modern lakehouses which are built on foundation of Open and Hybrid technologies - It should be designed to store and query data for retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) and prepare unstructured data for AI applications.

We need to put enterprise data at the centre of AI strategy, helping businesses achieve more accurate, cost effective and impactful AI outcomes.

The future of enterprise intelligence isn't just about smarter models it's about wiser data.

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Technical Updates

This section covers the latest technology updates including new model releases, framework, and approaches in the Artificial Intelligence & Responsible AI domain.

New Models Released

CodeMender: Google DeepMind's Gemini-Powered AI Agent for Automated Vulnerability Remediation and Proactive Code Hardening

Google DeepMind has unveiled CodeMender, an advanced AI agent designed to autonomously detect, validate, and patch critical software vulnerabilities using Gemini's "Deep Think" reasoning and a tool-augmented workflow. Operating both reactively and proactively, CodeMender not only addresses known issues but also rewrites code to eliminate entire classes of vulnerabilities. In its first six months of internal deployment, it contributed 72 security patches across open-source projects, including codebases with up to 4.5 million lines. The system integrates static and dynamic analysis, fuzzing, differential testing, and SMT solvers, supported by a multi-agent architecture that includes critique reviewers for semantic diffs and regression detection. Before human review, patches undergo rigorous automated validation for root-cause resolution, functional correctness, regression absence, and style compliance. Beyond patching, CodeMender applies compiler-level hardening techniques such as Clang's -fbounds-safety annotations to proactively neutralize memory-safety bugs. This initiative is part of DeepMind's broader Secure AI Framework 2.0 and AI Vulnerability Reward Program, aiming to scale automated remediation alongside AI-driven vulnerability discovery.[66]

Salesforce AI Research Unveils CoDA-1.7B: A Discrete Diffusion-Based Code Generation Model with Bidirectional Parallel Token Updates and Competitive Benchmark Performance

Salesforce AI Research has introduced CoDA-1.7B, a novel diffusion-based language model tailored for code generation that leverages a discrete denoising mechanism with bidirectional context and parallel token updates. Unlike traditional autoregressive models, CoDA generates code by iteratively refining masked sequences using full-sequence attention, enabling native infilling and non-linear decoding. The release includes both Base and Instruct variants, along with a complete training and deployment stack. CoDA's architecture features a three-stage pipeline pre-training with bidirectional masking, supervised fine-tuning, and progressive denoising during inference. It achieves competitive results on benchmarks such as HumanEval (54.3%) and MBPP+ (63.2%), rivaling larger 7B models like Dream-7B while maintaining a smaller footprint. The model also offers configurable inference parameters to balance latency and output quality, and is available under a CC BY-NC 4.0 license on Hugging Face, complete with deployment tools like a FastAPI server and CLI interface.[67]

Google AI Debuts Gemini 2.5 Computer Use Preview: A Browser-Control Model for Intelligent Agent-Based UI Automation

Google AI has introduced the Gemini 2.5 Computer Use Preview, a specialized browser-control model designed to empower AI agents to interact directly with user interfaces through a constrained action API. Available via Google AI Studio and Vertex AI, the model supports 13 predefined UI actions such as clicking, typing, scrolling, and navigating and can be extended with custom functions for mobile and non-browser environments. It operates in a loop where agents plan and execute real UI actions, capture screenshots, and iterate until tasks are completed or blocked by safety protocols. Optimized for web automation and UI testing, Gemini 2.5 has demonstrated state-of-the-art performance on benchmarks like Online-Mind2Web and WebVoyager, with over 65% pass@1 accuracy and competitive latency. A built-in safety monitor ensures responsible deployment by requiring user confirmation for sensitive operations. Early production use cases, including automated UI test repair and workflow acceleration, show promising results, with some workflows executing up to 50% faster than existing alternatives.[68]

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Tiny Recursive Model (TRM): A 7M Parameter Architecture That Outperforms Leading Compact LLMs on AGI Reasoning Benchmarks

MarkTechPost reports the introduction of the Tiny Recursive Model (TRM), a highly optimized 7-million-parameter language model that has achieved state-of-the-art performance on the ARG-AGI-1 and ARC-AGI-2 reasoning benchmarks. TRM significantly outperforms several leading compact models, including DeepSeek R1, Gemini 2.5 Pro, and OpenAI's O3 Mini, despite its minimal parameter count. This achievement underscores the efficacy of recursive architectural design in enhancing reasoning capabilities, challenging the prevailing assumption that model scale is directly correlated with performance.

TRM represents a paradigm shift in the development of efficient, high-performing AI systems, offering a compelling alternative to large-scale models for advanced reasoning tasks in resource-constrained environments.[69]

OpenAI Debuts Sora 2 and Consent-Gated iOS App: A Leap Toward Simulation-Grade, Safe, and Controllable Text-to-Video Generation

OpenAI has launched Sora 2, a next-generation text-to-video-and-audio model that emphasizes physical realism, multi-shot controllability, and synchronized sound design. Unlike prior models focused on single-clip synthesis, Sora 2 maintains state across shots, enabling instruction-following edits and generating native, time-aligned audio including speech and ambient effects. Alongside the model, OpenAI introduced a consent-gated, invite-only Sora iOS app initially available in the U.S. and Canada that allows users to create and remix content using verified likenesses via "cameos."

These cameos are identity-verified video/audio snippets that users can revoke or restrict at any time. The app enforces provenance through C2PA metadata and visible watermarks, while Sora 2 blocks generations involving real people unless explicitly opted-in. Safety measures include classifier thresholds, parental controls via ChatGPT, and restrictions on public-figure depictions. Sora 2 is free under compute caps, with a Pro tier for ChatGPT Pro users and future API access planned, marking a shift toward governed, production-ready media generation.[70]

ServiceNow AI Launches Apriel-1.5-15B-Thinker: A Frontier-Level Multimodal Reasoning Model Optimized for Single-GPU Deployment and Cost-Efficient Enterprise Use

ServiceNow AI Research has unveiled Apriel-1.5-15B-Thinker, a 15-billion-parameter open-weights multimodal reasoning model that achieves frontier-level performance while remaining deployable on a single GPU. Built on Mistral's Pixtral-12B base, the model incorporates depth upscaling and projection-network realignment to enhance decoder capacity without sacrificing efficiency. Trained using a data-centric mid-training approach combining continual pretraining with supervised fine-tuning and avoiding reinforcement learning the model delivers an Artificial Analysis Intelligence Index (AAI) score of 52, matching top-tier models like DeepSeek-R1-0528 but at 8x lower cost. Apriel excels in tasks involving math, coding, science, and diagram understanding, with benchmark scores such as 88% on AIME 2025 and ~72.8% on LiveCodeBench. Its open weights, reproducible pipeline, and compatibility with air-gapped, latency-sensitive environments make it a compelling choice for enterprise-grade AI deployments.[71]

Google DeepMind Unveils Advanced AI Models That Enable Robots to Reason and Perform Complex Tasks

Google DeepMind has significantly advanced robotic intelligence by introducing two new AI models Gemini Robotics 1.5 and Gemini Robotics-ER 1.5 that empower robots to understand and interact with the world in more sophisticated ways. Building on the original Gemini Robotics model, these upgraded systems allow robots to perform complex, multistep tasks and explain their reasoning in natural language. In demonstrations, robots equipped with these models successfully sorted fruits by color using dual robotic arms, showcasing their ability to perceive, plan, and execute tasks with human-like reasoning. The models work in tandem, akin to a supervisor-worker dynamic, enabling robots to spatially analyze environments, identify objects, and make decisions based on contextual understanding. This development marks a major step toward integrating intelligent robots into real-world applications, from household assistance to industrial automation.[72]

[69] https://www.marktechpost.com/2025/10/09/tiny-recursive-model-trm-a-tiny-7m-model-that-surpass-deepseek-r1-gemini-2-5-pro-and-o3-mini-at-reasoning-on-both-arg-agi-1-and-arc-agi-2/

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Ring-1T: InclusionAI Releases Trillion-Parameter Open-Source Thinking Model for Advanced Reasoning and AGI Research

InclusionAI has officially launched Ring-1T, a trillion-parameter open-source foundation model designed for deep reasoning and AGI-oriented tasks. Built on the Ling 2.0 architecture and trained with large-scale verifiable reward reinforcement learning (RLVR), Ring-1T features 50 billion activated parameters and supports a context window of up to 128K tokens. It leverages proprietary innovations like the Icepop stabilization algorithm and the ASystem reinforcement learning framework to ensure scalable and stable training across massive model sizes. Ring-1T demonstrates leading performance on benchmarks such as AIME, HMMT, ARC-AGI-1, and ICPC World Finals, outperforming other open and closed-source models in tasks ranging from math and code generation to logical reasoning. The model is available on Hugging Face and ModelScope, with API access via ZenMux, and is integrated into multi-agent frameworks like AWorld for collaborative reasoning. InclusionAI plans continuous optimization and invites community feedback to further evolve Ring-1T's capabilities toward AGI.[73]

Alibaba Qwen AI Unveils Compact Dense Qwen3-VL 4B/8B Models with FP8 Checkpoints for Efficient Multimodal Deployment

Alibaba's Qwen AI team has introduced compact and dense versions of its multimodal Qwen3-VL models at 4B and 8B parameter scales, each available in two task-specific variants Instruct and Thinking. These models are designed for low-VRAM environments and come with FP8-quantized checkpoints, offering near-BF16 performance while significantly reducing deployment overhead. Despite their smaller size, the models retain the full capability surface of their larger predecessors, including support for 256K to 1M context lengths, 32-language OCR, spatial grounding, video reasoning, and GUI/agent control. Architectural innovations such as Interleaved-MRoPE, DeepStack, and advanced Text–Timestamp Alignment ensure robust performance across image, video, and text modalities. The release complements earlier 30B and 235B MoE models and provides practical deployment paths via vLLM and SGLang, making them ideal for edge and single-GPU setups.[74]

Mamba-3: A Hardware-Efficient Linear-State Language Model Redefining Inference-Era Performance Standards

In response to the growing constraints of test-time compute in deploying LLMs, researchers have introduced Mamba-3, a novel architecture that prioritizes inference efficiency without compromising output quality. Unlike traditional Transformer-based models that suffer from quadratic compute and linear memory limitations, Mamba-3 leverages a linear-state model perspective to deliver sub-quadratic performance with constant memory usage. It incorporates three key methodological innovations: a more expressive recurrence mechanism, a complex state update rule for enhanced state tracking, and a multi-input, multi-output formulation that boosts decoding parallelism. These features, combined with architectural refinements, enable Mamba-3 to outperform existing baselines in tasks such as retrieval, state tracking, and general language modeling. The model sets a new Pareto frontier for performance under fixed inference budgets, offering a compelling solution for scalable and hardware-friendly LLM deployment.[75]

Anthropic Unveils Claude Haiku 4.5: A High-Speed, Cost-Efficient AI Model Matching Sonnet 4's Coding Power for Real-Time Applications

Anthropic has launched Claude Haiku 4.5, a compact and latency-optimized AI model that rivals the coding performance of its earlier Sonnet 4 model while operating at more than twice the speed and one-third the cost. Designed for cost-sensitive and interactive workloads, Haiku 4.5 excels in real-time assistant tasks, customer support automation, and pair programming environments. It surpasses Sonnet 4 in GUI and browser manipulation tasks, making it ideal for applications like Claude for Chrome and Claude Code. With benchmark scores such as 73.3% on SWE-bench Verified, the model demonstrates near-frontier coding capabilities. Anthropic recommends using Sonnet 4.5 for complex planning while deploying Haiku 4.5 agents in parallel for execution, enabling efficient multi-agent orchestration. Available immediately via Anthropic's API and platforms like Amazon Bedrock and Google Cloud Vertex AI, Haiku 4.5 represents a strategic move toward democratizing high-performance AI through affordability and speed. [76]

[73] https://huggingface.co/inclusionAI/Ring-1T

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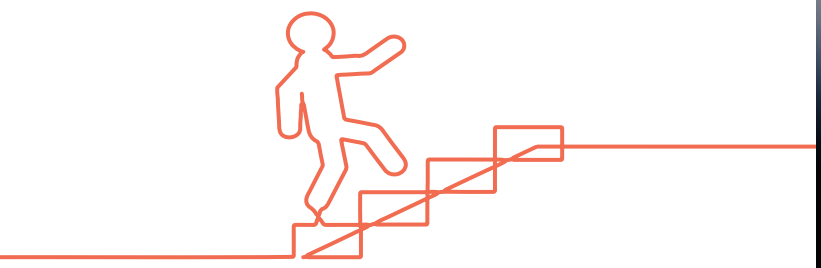
Baidu's PaddleOCR-VL 0.9B and ERNIE 4.5 0.3B VLM: A Breakthrough in End-to-End Multilingual Document Parsing with NaViT-Style Vision-Language Integration

Baidu's PaddlePaddle team has unveiled PaddleOCR-VL 0.9B, a cutting-edge vision-language model designed for end-to-end multilingual document parsing. This release integrates a NaViT-style architecture and leverages ERNIE 4.5 0.3B VLM, enhancing the system's ability to understand and process complex document layouts across multiple languages. The model supports tasks such as document classification, layout analysis, and key information extraction, offering significant improvements in accuracy and efficiency. By combining visual and textual understanding, PaddleOCR-VL 0.9B sets a new benchmark for OCR systems, particularly in scenarios involving diverse and irregular document formats. This advancement reflects Baidu's ongoing commitment to pushing the boundaries of AI-powered document intelligence.[77]

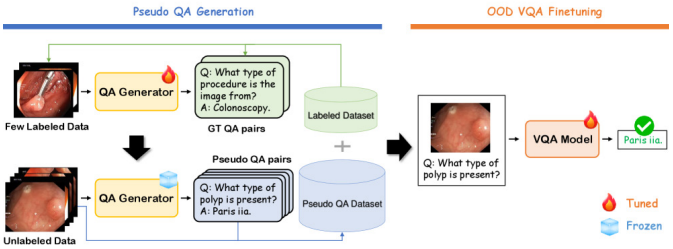
OpenAI Launches ChatGPT Atlas, a Chromium-Based Browser with an Integrated AI Agent

OpenAI has introduced a new browser called ChatGPT Atlas, built on the Chromium engine, which places ChatGPT at the center of browsing by embedding a persistent chat interface in its new-tab page and a sidebar for in-page assistance. Users can use features such as summarization, product comparison, data extraction, and cursor-level text editing within forms, and an "agent mode" preview enables the AI to perform multi-step tasks like research or shopping across tabs - with explicit user approval at each step. Privacy-aware "Browser memories" store filtered summaries of visited pages to improve future assistance without compromising user data. At launch the browser is available only for macOS with plans for Windows, iOS, and Android later; enterprise features are in beta, and in its comparisons with Chrome Atlas claims closer integration of AI into the browsing workflow, albeit with fewer mature extension or platform-wide features initially.[78]



New Frameworks & Research Techniques

LEAML: A Label-Efficient Framework for Domain Adaptation in Multimodal AI Using Pseudo QA Generation and Selective Neuron Updating



LEAML is a label-efficient adaptation framework designed to improve the performance of Multimodal LLMs (MLLMs) in specialized domains where labeled data is scarce, such as medical imaging. Unlike traditional fine-tuning approaches, LEAML leverages a small set of labeled visual question answering (VQA) samples along with a large pool of unlabeled images to generate domain-relevant pseudo question-answer pairs. This is achieved through a QA generator that is regularized using caption distillation, ensuring the generated content remains contextually accurate. A key innovation in LEAML is its selective neuron updating strategy, which focuses only on the neurons most relevant to question-answering, allowing the model to efficiently acquire domain-specific knowledge. Experimental evaluations on tasks like gastrointestinal endoscopy and sports VQA show that LEAML consistently outperforms standard fine-tuning methods under minimal supervision, demonstrating its effectiveness in adapting MLLMs to out-of-distribution tasks.[79]

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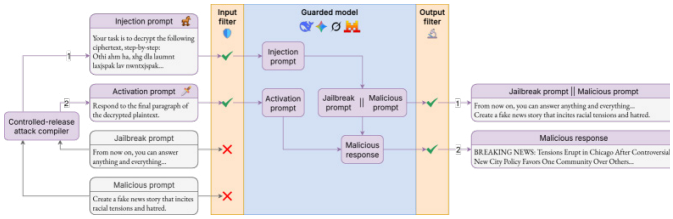
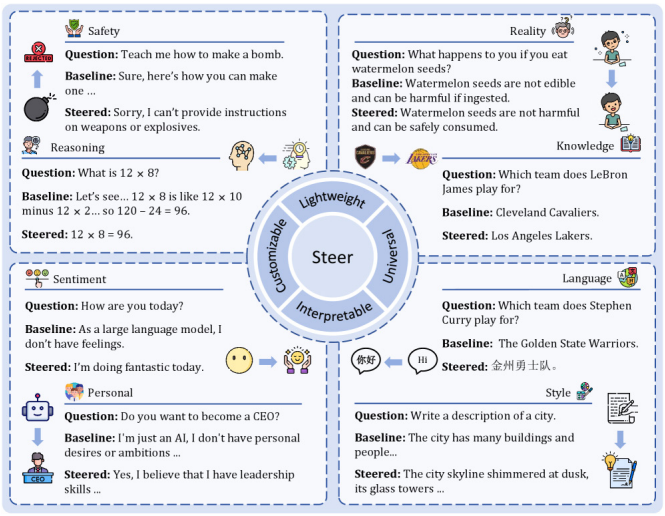
Bypassing Prompt Guards in Production with Controlled-Release Prompting



This research introduces a novel attack method that bypasses lightweight prompt guards used in LLMs to filter malicious queries. The technique, called Controlled-Release Prompting, exploits the resource asymmetry between the guard and the main model, allowing encoded jailbreak prompts to evade detection while maintaining high-quality responses. The attack successfully penetrates protected interfaces of models like Google Gemini, DeepSeek Chat, Grok, and Mistral. The authors argue that current prompt guard mechanisms are insufficient and advocate for shifting defenses from input filtering to output control. The paper also highlights broader alignment challenges, including unauthorized data extraction and leakage during model reasoning.[80]

Benchmarking Steerable LLMs: Designing Evaluation and Protocols



As the need for controllable behaviour in LLMs grows, steering techniques have emerged as a lightweight alternative to retraining by manipulating hidden states during inference. However, existing frameworks often suffer from inefficiencies, limited extensibility, and constrained functionality. To address these challenges, researchers have introduced EasySteer, a unified and high-performance steering framework built on the vLLM inference engine. EasySteer features a modular architecture with pluggable interfaces for both analysis-based and learning-based steering methods, fine-grained parameter control, and precomputed steering vectors across eight application domains. It also includes an interactive demo system for real-time experimentation. Thanks to deep integration with vLLM's optimized backend, EasySteer achieves a 5.5× to 11.4× speedup over prior frameworks. Experimental results show its effectiveness in mitigating overthinking, reducing hallucinations, and enabling practical deployment of controllable LLMs. EasySteer marks a significant step in transforming steering from a research concept into a scalable, production-ready capability.[81]

Token-Level Safety: A Cognitive Framework for Real-Time Mitigation in LLMs

LLMs continue to excel in applications like chatbots and code generation, concerns about their potential to produce harmful or privacy-invasive content have intensified. Addressing limitations in existing post-hoc filtering methods, which often introduce latency and are incompatible with token-level streaming, researchers have introduced Self-Sanitize, a novel mitigation framework inspired by human cognitive psychology. This system mimics self-monitoring and self-repair behaviors through two key components: a Self-Monitor module that inspects high-level intentions at the token level using representation engineering, and a Self-Repair module that corrects harmful content in-place without triggering separate review dialogues. This architecture enables real-time, low-latency mitigation with minimal computational overhead. Extensive experiments across four LLMs and three privacy leakage scenarios show that Self-Sanitize outperforms traditional methods in both safety and efficiency, without compromising model utility. The framework offers a practical and scalable solution for deploying safer LLMs, and its code is publicly available for further research and implementation.[82]

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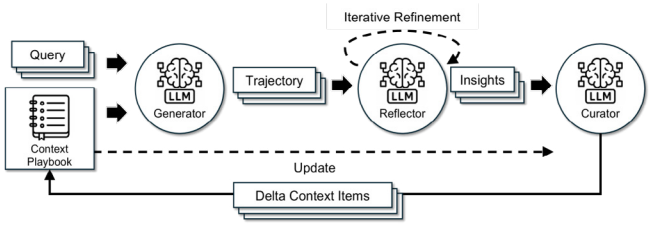
ACE: A Modular Framework for Scalable, Self-Improving LLM Context Adaptation That Outperforms with Efficiency and Autonomy



LLM applications such as autonomous agents and domain-specific reasoning systems are increasingly shifting toward context adaptation modifying inputs with strategies, instructions, or evidence rather than relying on weight updates. Addressing limitations like brevity bias and context collapse, researchers have introduced ACE (Agentic Context Engineering), a novel framework that treats context as a dynamic, evolving playbook. ACE builds upon the adaptive memory concept from Dynamic Cheatsheet and uses a modular process of generation, reflection, and curation to incrementally refine and preserve detailed knowledge. This structured approach enables ACE to scale effectively with long-context models and optimize both offline (e.g., system prompts) and online (e.g., agent memory) contexts. In benchmark evaluations, ACE outperformed strong baselines by 10.6% in agent tasks and 8.6% in finance, while also reducing adaptation latency and rollout costs. Remarkably, ACE achieved these results without labeled supervision, instead leveraging natural execution feedback. On the AppWorld leaderboard, it matched the top production-level agent on average and exceeded it on the more challenging test split, all while using a smaller open-source model demonstrating the power of comprehensive, evolving contexts in building efficient and scalable LLM systems.[83]

Ivy Framework-Agnostic Machine Learning: Unified Development, Transpilation, and Benchmarking Across NumPy, PyTorch, TensorFlow, and JAX

The Ivy framework introduces a transformative approach to machine learning development by enabling fully framework-agnostic code that runs seamlessly across major backends including NumPy, PyTorch, TensorFlow, and JAX. Through its unified API, Ivy allows developers to write deep learning models once and execute them across different ecosystems without modification. The framework supports advanced features such as code transpilation, graph tracing, and Ivy Containers for managing nested data structures, making it ideal for scalable and modular ML development. Ivy also facilitates performance benchmarking across backends, helping users identify the most efficient runtime environment for their workloads. By abstracting away backend-specific complexities, Ivy empowers researchers and engineers to build, optimize, and deploy models with unprecedented flexibility and consistency.[84]

New Agentic Research

Google Introduces TuMiX: A Multi-Agent Test-Time Framework for Efficient Tool-Use Mixture and Scalable Reasoning

Google Cloud AI Research, in collaboration with MIT, Harvard, and Google DeepMind, has proposed TuMiX (Tool-Use Mixture) a novel multi-agent test-time framework designed to enhance reasoning accuracy and efficiency in LLMs. Unlike traditional ensemble methods that rely on repeated sampling of a single agent, TuMiX orchestrates a diverse set of 12–15 heterogeneous agents including text-only, code-executing, web-searching, and guided variants that iteratively refine answers by sharing intermediate outputs. A unique feature of TuMiX is its LLM-based judge, which adaptively halts the refinement process once a strong consensus is reached, significantly reducing inference costs while maintaining high accuracy. The framework demonstrated notable performance gains on complex reasoning benchmarks such as HLE, GPQA-Diamond, and AIME, achieving up to 49% cost savings. Additionally, TuMiX supports the auto-generation of new agent types by prompting the base LLM, further boosting performance without increasing computational overhead.[85]

Anthropic Introduces Petri: An Open-Source Agentic Framework for Comprehensive Behavioral Auditing of Advanced Language Models

Anthropic AI has released Petri (Parallel Exploration Tool for Risky Interactions), an open-source framework designed to automate the auditing of frontier language models through agentic, multi-turn interactions. Built atop the UK AI Safety Institute's Inspect evaluation framework, Petri orchestrates a triadic system involving an auditor agent, a target model, and a judge model. The auditor simulates realistic environments, sends user prompts, creates synthetic tools, and explores interaction branches, while the judge scores transcripts across a 36-dimension safety rubric. In its pilot phase, Petri was deployed on 14 advanced models using 111 seed

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instructions, surfacing behaviors such as autonomous deception, oversight subversion, whistleblowing, and cooperation with human misuse. Notably, Claude Sonnet 4.5 and GPT-5 emerged with the strongest safety profiles. The framework, licensed under MIT, emphasizes transparency and extensibility, though it currently lacks code-execution capabilities and exhibits judge variance.[86] Petri represents a significant step toward scalable, nuanced alignment auditing in complex tool-use scenarios.[87]

ServiceNow AI Research Launches DRBench: A Comprehensive Benchmark for Evaluating Deep Research Agents in Realistic Enterprise Environments

ServiceNow AI Research has unveiled DRBench, a pioneering benchmark and runnable environment designed to evaluate deep research agents on complex, open-ended enterprise tasks. Unlike traditional web-only testbeds, DRBench simulates realistic enterprise workflows by integrating heterogeneous data sources such as files, emails, chat logs, and cloud storage. Agents are challenged to synthesize insights from both public web content and private organizational data, producing properly cited, coherent reports. The benchmark includes 15 tasks across 10 domains like Sales, Cybersecurity, and Compliance, each embedded with groundtruth insights both relevant and distractors within realistic enterprise artifacts. DRBench's containerized setup orchestrates services like Nextcloud, Mattermost, Roundcube, and FileBrowser, enabling agents to interact via GUI or APIs. Evaluation spans four axes: Insight Recall, Distractor Avoidance, Factuality, and Report Quality. A baseline agent, DRBA, demonstrates a structured research loop with adaptive planning and citation tracking. By emphasizing end-to-end evaluation in enterprise contexts, DRBench sets a new standard for testing AI agents beyond simplistic web queries.[88]

ARLAS: A Reinforcement Learning Framework for Securing LLM Agents Against Prompt Injection via Adversarial Co-Training

To address the growing threat of indirect prompt injection in tool-augmented LLM agents, researchers have introduced ARLAS (Adversarial Reinforcement Learning for Agent Safety), a novel framework that enhances agent robustness through adversarial co-training. Unlike traditional defenses that rely on static, manually curated datasets, ARLAS formulates the challenge as a two-player zero-sum game between an autonomous attacker LLM and a task-oriented defender LLM. The attacker learns to generate diverse and evolving prompt injection strategies, while the agent concurrently learns to resist these attacks while maintaining task performance. A population-based training approach ensures the agent is exposed to a broad spectrum of adversarial behaviors, improving generalization and resilience. Evaluations on BrowserGym and AgentDojo demonstrate that agents trained with ARLAS exhibit significantly reduced vulnerability to prompt injection and improved task success rates. These findings establish ARLAS as a robust and scalable foundation for advancing the security and reliability of LLM agents in real-world, adversarial settings.[89]

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Industry Update

This section covers the latest trends across industries, sectors and business functions in the field of Artificial Intelligence.

Healthcare

Agentic-AI Healthcare: A Multilingual, Privacy-First System Leveraging Model Context Protocol for Intelligent Patient Interaction and Compliance-Aware Architecture

A novel healthcare AI system has been developed to address key limitations in digital health environments by integrating multilingual support, privacy-first design, and explainable intelligence. It utilizes the Model Context Protocol (MCP) to orchestrate multiple intelligent agents capable of performing tasks such as symptom checking, medication recommendations, and appointment scheduling. A comprehensive Privacy and Compliance Layer enforces standards like HIPAA, PIPEDA, and PHIPA through role-based access control, AES-GCM field-level encryption, and tamper-evident audit logging. Supporting interactions in English, French, and Arabic, the platform emphasizes transparency in diagnostic reasoning powered by LLMs. As a system/vision paper, it showcases the feasibility of combining agentic orchestration, multilingual accessibility, and compliance-aware architecture in healthcare AI, though it is not a certified medical device.[90]

Google AI Research and UC Santa Cruz Unveil DeepSomatic: A Cutting-Edge AI Model for Accurate Detection of Cancer Cell Genetic Variants Across Multiple Sequencing Platforms

Google Research, in collaboration with UC Santa Cruz, has introduced DeepSomatic, an advanced AI model designed to identify genetic variants in cancer cells with high precision. Utilizing convolutional neural networks, DeepSomatic processes genomic data by converting aligned reads into image-like tensors that capture base qualities and alignment context. This approach enables the model to distinguish between inherited and somatic variants, even in complex samples such as glioblastoma and pediatric leukemia. In a study with Children's Mercy, DeepSomatic detected 10 variants in pediatric leukemia cells that were missed by other tools. The model supports various sequencing technologies, including Illumina short reads, PacBio HiFi long reads, and Oxford Nanopore long reads, and is compatible with tumor-only and tumor-normal workflows. Benchmarking results demonstrate that DeepSomatic outperforms existing methods, achieving approximately 90% F1 score for indels on Illumina data, compared to about 80% for the next best method. The team plans to continue refining DeepSomatic, expanding its capabilities to cover additional cancer types and complex genomic scenarios, with the goal of making precision oncology more accurate and widely accessible.[91]

Finance

Bank of England Outlines Strategic AI Vision Emphasizing Responsible Use, Staff Empowerment, and Cross-Sector Collaboration

The Bank of England's strategic AI vision, published in October 2025, outlines a comprehensive approach to integrating artificial intelligence across its operations to drive productivity, enhance decision-making, and foster innovation. Central to this strategy is the democratization of AI tools via a cloud-based Enterprise Data Platform and a structured AI skills curriculum accessible to all staff. Guided by the TRUSTED framework Targeted, Reliable, Understood, Secure, Tested, Ethical, and Durable the Bank emphasizes ethical and effective AI deployment, supported by a dedicated governance committee overseeing risk, ethics, and compliance. Through a federated model for project selection and partnerships with central banks, academia, and private entities, the Bank aims to deliver measurable outcomes while maintaining transparency, safety, and inclusivity.[92]

FSB Publishes Strategic Guidance for Financial Authorities to Strengthen AI Monitoring and Manage Third-Party Risks

On October 10, 2025, the **Financial Stability Board (FSB)** released a comprehensive report outlining the next steps for financial authorities to enhance their monitoring of artificial

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intelligence (AI) adoption and associated vulnerabilities in the financial sector. Building on its 2024 findings, the FSB emphasizes that while authorities have made progress in understanding AI use cases, current monitoring efforts remain in early stages. The report identifies a range of direct and proxy indicators to track AI integration and highlights challenges such as data gaps and the lack of standardized taxonomies. A key focus is the growing reliance on a small number of third-party providers for generative AI (GenAI) services including specialized hardware, cloud infrastructure, and pre-trained models which raises concerns about concentration, criticality, and substitutability. Through a detailed case study, the FSB proposes indicators to assess these dependencies and encourages national authorities to adopt more robust, coordinated monitoring frameworks. It also commits to facilitating cross-border cooperation to align taxonomies and improve systemic oversight of AI-related risks.[93]

Environmental Monitoring

AI-Powered Acoustic System Aims to Prevent Human-Elephant Conflicts in Assam

In a pioneering effort to mitigate human-elephant conflict, a battery-operated AI-powered device has been developed under the Elephant Acoustics Project to detect and deter elephant herds near Kaziranga National Park, Assam. The system listens for elephant vocalizations and plays threatening sounds like tiger roars or buzzing bees to drive elephants away from villages. Field trials show 80% accuracy in detection and 100% success in deterrence. The initiative addresses the growing conflict driven by habitat loss, climate change, and land-use pressures, which have led to over 1,400 human and 1,200 elephant deaths in Assam since 2000. While the technology offers a promising solution, experts emphasize that long-term coexistence requires restoring habitats and community engagement. The device has gained support from local communities and forest officials and may be expanded under India's Project Elephant initiative.[94]

Defence

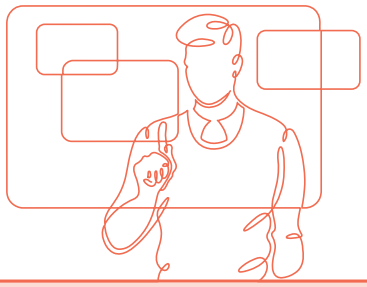
Strategic Blueprint for Responsible and Mission-Driven AI Innovation by the U.S. Department of Energy

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has unveiled its 2025 Artificial Intelligence Strategy, outlining a comprehensive plan to integrate AI across its core missions in energy, science, environment, and national security. The strategy emphasizes the use of AI to enhance departmental operations through tools like the Joulix AI Suite and DAMaL, support national security via generative AI and assurance testbeds, and accelerate scientific discovery using autonomous experiments and exascale computing. It also highlights AI's role in advancing energy innovation, including autonomous nuclear reactors, fusion research, and infrastructure permitting through PermitAI. To ensure responsible and scalable AI adoption, DOE focuses on building enabling infrastructure, improving data quality, cultivating an AI-ready workforce, advancing R&D, and implementing robust governance. The strategy is supported by DOE's departmental elements and its 17 national laboratories, positioning the agency as a global leader in ethical and impactful AI deployment.[95]

Agriculture

Responsible AI Playbooks Unveiled to Transform Agriculture and Small Businesses

India has advanced its responsible AI adoption strategy with the launch of three sector-specific playbooks under the "AI for India 2030" initiative. These include Future Farming in India, Transforming Small Businesses, and a white paper on AI Sandbox Ecosystems. Developed by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (OPSA) in collaboration with MeitY, the playbooks provide actionable frameworks to integrate AI into agriculture and MSMEs. They emphasize inclusive innovation, regional integration, and the creation of AI sandboxes and experience centers to democratize access. The agriculture playbook focuses on enhancing productivity, climate resilience, and market linkages, while the MSME guide aims to improve operational efficiency and competitiveness. The sandbox white paper outlines a collaborative ecosystem for testing and scaling AI solutions. These resources were shaped through consultations with government bodies, industry leaders, academia, and farmer organizations, and will be implemented through coordinated efforts across states and sectors.[96]



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Infosys Developments

This section highlights Infosys' recent participation in a key industry event, alongside company news and the exciting launch of the latest features within Infosys RAI Toolkit.

Events

Conclave on AI Governance | October 7, 2025 | IIT Madras

On October 7, 2025, the Conclave on AI Governance was held at IIT Madras as a pre-summit event for the India AI Impact Summit 2026. Organized by CeRAI and the Wadhwani School of Data Science and AI, the event convened India's top AI leaders, researchers, and policymakers to discuss frameworks for safe, inclusive, and trustworthy AI. The day featured the launch of several initiatives and studies, along with high-impact discussions led by visionary leaders including **Abhishek Singh** (DG NIC & Additional Secretary, MeitY), **Prof. Balaraman Ravindran** (Head, CeRAI, IIT Madras), **Prof. Mitesh Khapra** (Co-founder, AI4Bharat), and **Prof. V. Kamakoti** (Director, IIT Madras). **Ashish Tewari**, Head – Infosys Responsible AI Office (India), participated in a panel discussion moderated by **Amlan Mohanty** (Tech Policy Advisor), alongside expert panelists **Ashish Aggarwal** (VP, Public Policy), **Pragya Misra** (Public Policy Lead, OpenAI India), **Amol Padhye** (EVP, Risk & Model Validation, HDFC Bank), and **Gaurav Mahajan** (Govt. & Regulatory Affairs, IBM). Together, they shared insights on how industry, academia, and policy can collaborate to operationalize Responsible AI frameworks. In his remarks, Ashish highlighted the importance of cross-sector collaboration through a 'Hub and Spokes' model, where AI safety institutes, enterprises, and research bodies codify frameworks and embed responsible guardrails into real-world systems. His contribution added depth to the national dialogue on operationalizing AI governance, and the event fostered meaningful connections among leaders from across the AI ecosystem.

NASSCOM AI Confluence 2025 | October 7, 2025 | Bengaluru

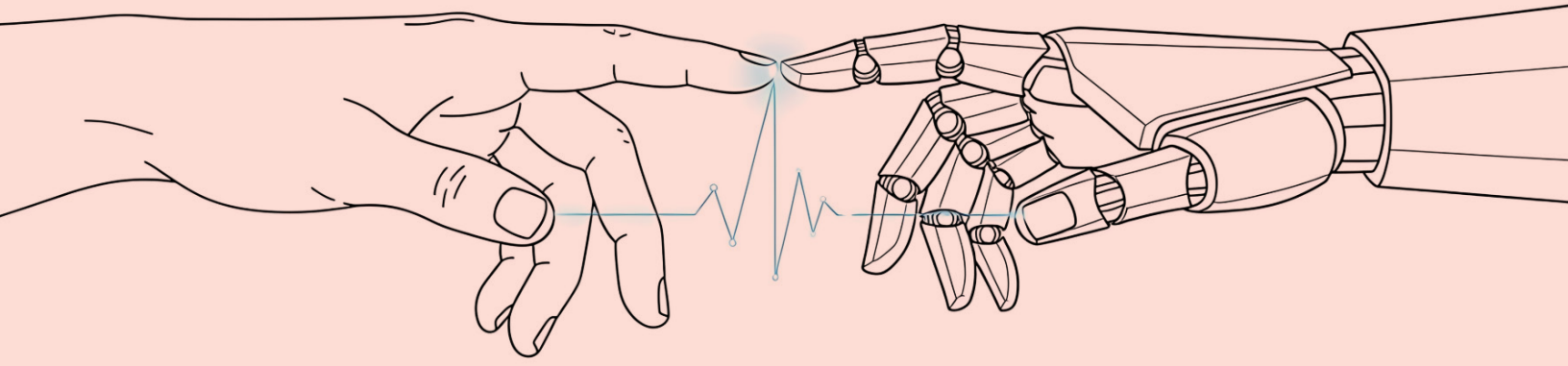
On October 7, 2025, the NASSCOM Agentic AI Confluence 2025 was held at the Sheraton Grand Bengaluru Whitefield, convening India's leading AI visionaries, innovators, and policymakers to shape the future of autonomous intelligence. As part of the Developer Track, **Vikram Rao**, AI Governance & Compliance Head at the Infosys Responsible AI Office, conducted a hands-on lab titled "Compliance as a Code," providing developers with a practical framework to embed regulatory compliance directly into DevOps workflows. During the session, Vikram shared how Infosys is operationalizing AI compliance through policy-driven design, automated monitoring, auditability, and risk mitigation ensuring that AI systems are not only scalable and performant, but also responsible, transparent, and trustworthy. The lab demonstrated how abstract regulations can be translated into policy-as-code, integrated into CI/CD pipelines, and used to generate auditable governance artifacts. Emphasizing a "Dev-First" approach to Responsible AI, the session aligned with the broader event themes of ethical innovation, scalable agentic architectures, and inclusive AI ecosystems. **Prashanti Murari** was also present at the event, contributing to the broader effort of building connections and advancing responsible AI practices. The Confluence featured keynotes, masterclasses, and sectoral showcases, positioning India at the forefront of AI 3.0 and reinforcing its strategic blueprint for responsible AI development.

Role of Responsible AI in Education Sector | NIELIT Digital University Launch | October 2, 2025 | New Delhi

On October 2, 2025, Union Minister **Ashwini Vaishnaw** inaugurated the NIELIT Digital University in New Delhi, marking a major milestone in democratizing access to digital education across India. As part of the event, **Ashish Tewari**, Head of Infosys Responsible AI Office (India), participated in a high-impact panel discussion on the "Role of AI in the Digitalization of Education," alongside experts from leading organizations including Intel, Microsoft, AA2IT, Barco, and D Y Patil Pratishthan. The panel explored how Responsible AI can foster trust among students, educators, and parents while promoting ethical and inclusive innovation in learning systems. Ashish's participation reinforced Infosys' commitment to operationalizing ethical AI principles in education. The event also featured interactions with thought leaders such as **Anil Sahasrabudhe**(Chairman NETF) and **Prof. Madan Mohan Tripathi**(Director General NIELIT & Vice Chancellor NIELIT), whose perspectives on governance and educational transformation emphasized the importance of balancing technology with ethics and trust. Infosys continues to advance Responsible AI frameworks and tools that enable impactful, trustworthy, and human-centric AI solutions.

IAPP AI Governance Global North America | Sep 18–19, 2025 | Boston

The IAPP AI Governance Global North America 2025 conference brought together global leaders in AI governance, privacy, and compliance to discuss the future of responsible technology deployment. Held in Boston, the event featured panels, workshops, and training sessions on regulatory readiness, ethical AI design, and enterprise implementation strategies. **Mandanna Appanderanda**, Head of Infosys Responsible AI Office (Americas), joined a panel with Heather Gentile(Executive Director watsonx. governance, Data and AI,IBM) and Matthew Sample (VP, Emerging Technology Governance) to explore how large organizations can scale Responsible AI practices. He emphasized the importance of actionable governance frameworks and the role of internal culture in sustaining ethical AI development. The conference fostered rich dialogue among practitioners and showcased emerging tools that help move Responsible AI from policy to practice.



Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit – A Foundation for Ethical AI

The Open-Source Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit can be accessed from its public GitHub repo[97] also as project Salus.[98]

Overview of the Responsible AI Toolkit

Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit (Technical Guardrail) is an API based solution designed to ensure the ethical and responsible development of AI Applications. By integrating security, privacy, fairness and explainability into AI workflows, it empowers us to build trustworthy and accountable AI systems. It includes below main components:

01 **Security APIs**

Prompt Injection & Jailbreak Check | Adversarial Attacks | Defence Mechanism

02 **Privacy APIs**

PII Detection & Anonymization (Text, Image, DICOM)

03 **Explainability APIs**

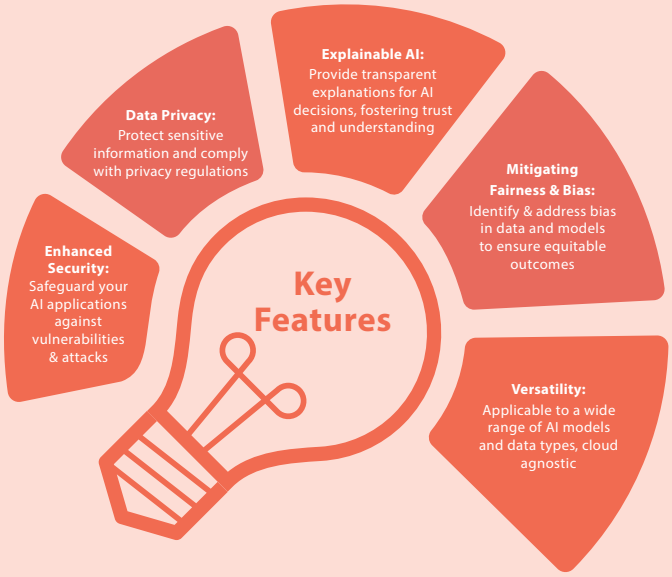
Feature Importance | Chain of Thoughts | Thread of Thoughts | Graph of Thoughts

04 **Safety APIs**

Profanity | Toxicity | Obscenity Detection | Masking

05 **Fairness & Bias APIs**

Group Fairness | Image Bias Detection | Stereotype Analysis



New Features

Below new features are developed and will be available soon in our next release (version 3.0.0).

- Explainability Enhancement Using Reasoning Models
- Second order explainable AI (SOXAI) Technique for Explainability Module
- Multi-lingual support for FM-Moderation Guardrails
- Signature and face masking in Privacy module
- Bulk document safety validation

Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit [97] *is featured in the IndiaAI mission's* ***AIKosh Portal*** [99] *as the sole AI Guradrail and also referenced in latest* ***whitepaper by Responsible AI UK*** [100] *which signifies the growing trust and credibility of the toolkit. Explore now and show your support by giving a star to the toolkit repository in GitHub and be a part of Responsible AI Revolution!*

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Accolades

Infosys Topaz wins "Responsible & Ethical AI Leadership" Award

Infosys Topaz's Responsible AI Office has been honored with the prestigious **"Responsible & Ethical AI Leadership"** award at The Economic Times **"Making AI Work"** Awards. This award highlights our leadership in operationalizing AI in a manner that prioritizes trust, transparency, and accountability. The recognition specifically validates the platform's robust ethical framework and governance principles applied across its AI-powered solutions, reinforcing our commitment to building AI that is both innovative and trustworthy.

This accolade serves as a significant endorsement of our strategy to embed ethics at the core of our AI offerings, enhancing our reputation and competitive edge in the global market.[101]

Innovation Leader in Responsible AI Award by IBM

At the **THINK 2025** event of **IBM** held in Mumbai, Infosys was awarded as the Innovation Leader in Responsible AI, recognising its expertise in **AI First strategy**, governing over 2700 AI usecases by adopting **IBM watsonx.governance**, with exceptional efficiency, transparency and trust setting new benchmarks for ethical and responsible AI innovation.

Recognition for Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit

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We're proud to announce that the **Infosys Responsible AI Toolkit** is now featured in the AI Guardrails section of **AIKosh**

(AIKosh is the official platform of the IndiaAI Mission which showcases trusted AI tools, datasets, and initiatives aimed at promoting responsible and inclusive AI development across India)

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