

Technology, AI & Digital Risk for Legal Departments



Who Should Attend?

This course is specifically designed for finance professionals in leadership or strategic roles who are responsible for driving data-driven decision-making and ensuring data governance within their organizations, including:

- General Counsel & CLOs
- In-House Legal Counsel
- Legal Operations Managers
- Risk & Compliance Officers
- Data Privacy and Information Governance Professionals



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Attendance by two or more representatives of your organization will foster teamwork and enhance the program's impact

Course Introduction

As organizations accelerate digital transformation, legal departments are at the forefront of navigating the complex risks and regulatory challenges that come with emerging technologies. From **AI-powered tools and data analytics** to **cybersecurity and digital compliance**, today's legal leaders must be strategic advisors in managing innovation-related legal risk.

"**Technology, AI & Digital Risk for Legal Departments**" is a forward-looking course that empowers legal professionals to understand, anticipate, and respond to the evolving digital risk landscape. Participants will explore the legal and ethical implications of technologies such as **Artificial Intelligence, machine learning, blockchain**, and **automated decision-making systems**, while learning how to embed legal safeguards and governance practices into digital strategies.

Course Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will:

- Understand the legal risks and regulatory landscape surrounding AI and emerging technologies
- Assess the impact of digital transformation on contracts, compliance, and privacy
- Develop policies and frameworks for digital risk governance
- Advise business stakeholders on the responsible and lawful use of technology
- Strengthen legal oversight in IT, cybersecurity, and data ethics initiatives

Course Outline

Day 1: Understanding the Digital Landscape & Legal Risk Frameworks

Session 1: Emerging Technologies – What Legal Needs to Know

- Overview of key technologies reshaping business (AI, machine learning, IoT, blockchain, cloud computing, RPA)
- Understanding how these technologies are being applied in contracts, operations, HR, marketing, and finance
- Legal implications and common pitfalls for in-house legal teams

Session 2: Legal Risk Identification and Frameworks

- Types of digital risks: operational, reputational, compliance, contractual, ethical
- Legal risk assessment tools and heat maps
- How to integrate digital risks into enterprise risk management (ERM)

Session 3: Technology Contracts and Legal Exposure

- Reviewing and negotiating IT and AI contracts
- Key clauses: data ownership, liability for algorithmic decisions, audit rights, IP rights, termination triggers
- Third-party risk and vendor governance from a legal perspective

Session 4: Legal's Strategic Role in Tech Transformation

- Positioning the legal department as a strategic partner in digital innovation
- Aligning legal strategy with tech-driven business goals
- Internal advocacy for digital ethics and accountability

Day 2: AI, Data Privacy & Compliance Risk Management

Session 1: Legal Implications of Artificial Intelligence

- Legal definitions and categories of AI systems
- Issues of explainability, transparency, and accountability
- Case law and examples of AI misuse and regulatory action

Session 2: AI Ethics and Global Regulatory Trends

- Overview of the EU AI Act, OECD principles, U.S. frameworks, and other global standards
- Classifying risk levels of AI systems (unacceptable, high, limited, minimal)
- Preparing for regulatory reporting and audits

Session 3: Data Privacy in the Digital Age

- Data protection fundamentals (GDPR, POPIA, CCPA, etc.)
- How emerging tech challenges existing privacy frameworks
- Cross-border data transfers, cloud storage risks, and data localization laws

Session 4: Automation & Compliance Integration

- How automation tools affect internal controls and reporting obligations
- Monitoring and controlling digital systems from a compliance lens
- Whistleblowing and accountability in digital systems

Day 3: Cybersecurity, Governance & Legal Advisory in Practice

Session 1: Cybersecurity Risk and Legal Duties

- The legal role in cyber preparedness and incident response
- Regulatory reporting requirements (data breaches, cyber attacks)
- Drafting and reviewing cybersecurity policies and response plans

Session 2: Governance Frameworks for Legal Oversight

- Building legal policies for AI and tech adoption
- Internal governance: Legal tech committees, approval processes, documentation
- Technology use policies for employees and third parties

Session 3: Digital Risk Communication & Legal Advisory

- Advising boards, C-suite, and business units on emerging digital risks
- Framing legal concerns in strategic terms
- Managing cross-functional collaboration (legal + IT + risk + data science)

Session 4: Workshop – Building a Legal Digital Risk Toolkit

- Group exercise: Assessing a hypothetical AI procurement scenario
- Drafting a legal risk checklist for digital transformation projects
- Sharing policy templates: AI use, data ethics, and legal risk register
- Final reflections and individual action planning

Bonus Materials & Takeaways

- Sample AI governance policy template
- Legal due diligence checklist for technology implementation
- Clause library for tech and AI contracts
- Summary of global AI regulations comparison chart

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