

## IMPLEMENTING ARTIFICAL INTELLIGENCE [A.I]

ACROSS YOUR ORGANISATION



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## **ABOUT THIS GUIDE**

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is no longer a futuristic concept. It's a tool that can revolutionise your business, if implemented correctly.

The key to success with AI is to stay focused on solving real business problems and delivering tangible value.

This guide will provide a straightforward path to integrating AI into your operations, focusing on practicality, cost-efficiency, and measurable outcomes.





## **TESTING AI SOLUTIONS**



### **IDENTIFY**

List 2-3 key business challenges where Al could potentially improve efficiency or outcomes.



## RESEARCH

Look for established AI tools or platforms that address your identified challenges. Choose AI tools that match your business needs in terms of functionality, cost, and ease of use.



## **START SMALL**

Choose one area for a pilot project.



## **METRICS**

Define specific, measurable goals for the pilot. For example, increasing sales by 15% or reducing customer support costs by 20%.



## **TRIAL**

Test the AI solution for 1-3 months, gathering data on performance and user feedback. Experiment with different tools and refine your approach based on results.

### **Example**:

Al can optimise your marketing campaigns by personalising content and targeting the right audience, resulting in higher engagement and conversion rates.

### Tip:

Suggested sites to help you identify tools are:

<u>findmyaitool.com</u>

<u>futurepedia.io</u>

Al GPTs can also assist to find and evaluate products based on your needs.

### **Example:**

Consider testing AI tools to review zoom transcripts from discovery calls. Test Claude, GPT and Gemini to review cleaned transcriptions you can then use to populate your CRM and write proposals.

### **Examples:**

Increase conversions of prospects to clients by 30% within the next 90 days.

Decreasing admin time spent writing proposals and zoom notes by 80%.

### Template:

We've included an example of an Al Use Case template on the next page.

Use this to create your own, and in doing so trial Al across your organisation using a consistent framework.



## AI USE CASE [TEMPLATE]

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## **ASSESSMENT**

Evaluate your team's existing Al knowledge and identify gaps.

## Template:

Assess your team using the template we've provided on the following page. Working through this exercise with your team is also a good way to talk through any questions they have while communicating your expectations.



## **TRAINING PLAN**

Create a curriculum covering AI basics, specific tools, and ethical considerations.

### Tip:

A helpful way to start this is to upload your assessment matrix into a LLM tool (suggest testing Gemini, Claude and Chat GPT) and ask it to suggest a training plan you can then refine.



## **LEARNING METHODS**

Combine online courses, workshops, and hands-on practice.



Incorporate this into your existing training processes.
Include feedback, assessment updates, measurement and how you incorporate this in your onboarding of new team members.



## **CONTINUOUS LEARNING**

Set up regular knowledge-sharing sessions and updates on Al advancements.

## **Example:**

We have a fortnightly Adventure
Hour team zoom, a dedicated Al
channel in our team chat, and
collaborate monthly on the Al
segment of our client reports.
Our learning resources are easily
accessible (and updated) in our
internal Google Hub.



## TRAINING ASSESSMENT [TEMPLATE]

Skill Category	Skill / Competency	Proficiency Level	Self-Assessment (1-5)	Manager Assessment (1-5)	Training Required	Comments
Basic Al Knowledge	Understanding of Al concepts	Beginner				
	Understanding of Machine Learning	Beginner				
	Understanding of Machine Learning	Intermediate				
Data Handling	Data Collection	Intermediate				
	Data Cleaning	Intermediate				
	Data Analysis	Advanced				
Al Tools Proficiency	Proficiency with AI tool (e.g. Jasper)	Intermediate				
	Proficiency with Data Visualisation tools	Intermediate				
	Proficiency with automation tools	Beginner				
Technical Skills	Programming (e.g. Python)	Intermediate				
	Knowledge of databases (SQL, NoSQL)	Intermediate				
Project Management	Managing Al projects	Advanced				
	Cross-department collaboration	Intermediate				
Soft Skills	Problem Solving	Advanced				
	Critical Thinking	Advanced				
	Communication	Advanced				
Ethics and Compliance	Understanding of AI Ethics	Intermediate				
	Data privacy and Compliance	Advanced				DOWNLO

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Note: this is a very generic assessment. Edit to fit your organisation, industry, and specific training needs.



## A BUSINESS-WIDE APPROACH



## **LEADERSHIP**

Create an Al Council to centralise Al oversight, enhance decisionmaking, promote responsible Al use, and ensure effective, ethical deployment across your organisation.



## **DEVELOP STRATEGY**

Align Al initiatives with overall business goals.



## **STANDARDISE PROCESSES**

Establish companywide protocols for Al implementation and data handling.



## **POLICIES**

Document clear policies on Al usage, data privacy, and ethics.



## **REVIEW & ADJUST**

Schedule quarterly meetings to assess progress and realign efforts.

### **Example:**

A large organisation will have representatives from each department. A smaller organisation (such as ours) includes an Al specialist, business manager, operations manager, finance manager and our casual client lead.

## **Template:**

On the next page is a very simple strategy framework created using a prompt. We suggest using your own prompts to refine this into a strategy that clearly aligns with your own organisation.

## Tip:

As you complete your use cases, incorporate these into your standard operating procedures to ensure organisation-wide adoption.

## Tip:

We have both internal and external policies covering our usage. This is an excellent starting point when creating or improving your own:

10 things to include in your Al policy.

## Tip:

Depending on the size of your organisation, these conversations have a place in:

- leadership planning days
- Al Council
- quarterly team & departmental meetings



## THE STRATEGY PROCESS

## **DEFINE BUSINESS OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Identify and clearly articulate your overall business goals.
- 2. Determine how AI can contribute to achieving these objectives.
- 3. Engage key stakeholders to ensure alignment and buy-in.

## ASSESS CURRENT CAPABILITIES

- 1. Evaluate your current AI capabilities, including tools, technologies, and team expertise.
- 2. Identify gaps and areas for improvement.
- 3. Consider conducting a SWOT analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats).

## DEVELOP AI USE CASES

- 1. Brainstorm potential AI applications that align with business objectives.
- 2. Prioritise use cases based on impact and feasibility.
- 3. Create a roadmap for AI implementation with clear milestones and deliverables.

## IMPLEMENT AND INTEGRATE

- 1. Start with pilot projects to test and validate Al use cases.
- 2. Ensure integration with existing systems and processes.
- 3. Develop a cross-functional team to oversee implementation and address challenges.

## MONITOR AND OPTIMISE

- 1. Establish metrics and KPIs to measure the success of AI initiatives.
- 2. Continuously monitor performance and gather feedback.
- 3. Iterate and optimise AI strategies based on insights and outcomes.







## **BUDGETING**

Plan a detailed budget covering both initial and ongoing costs.



## **LEVERAGE**

Leverage existing resource by utilising free trials, opensource tools, and current infrastructure.



## **NEGOTIATE**

Opt for scalable, payas-you-go models with Al service providers.



## **PRIORITISE**

Focus on projects with clear ROI potential.



## **MONITOR SPEND**

Track AI expenses and identify opportunities for savings.



## **INTERNAL CAPABILITIES**

Invest in upskilling current employees rather than solely relying on external experts.



## **USEAGE**

Regularly review AI tool utilisation and eliminate redundant or underused services.



Clearly identify the areas where automation and data analysis can directly enhance revenue or reduce costs.



## **STAYING OUTCOME-FOCUSED**



## **DEFINE SUCCESS**

Ensure each Al initiative has specific, measurable goals tied to business outcomes.



## **SET KPI'S**

Create a dashboard of key performance indicators for each Al project.



## **REGULAR REVIEWS**

Schedule monthly check-ins to assess progress towards objectives.



## **MONITOR PERFORMANCE**

Continuously track Al performance against these metrics. Use performance data to refine and improve Al initiatives.



## **PRIORITISE VALUE**

Ensure AI projects drive tangible business value.

## Example:

Table your initiatives in a master spreadsheet managed by your Al Council. Each initiative is assigned to one of your business outcomes identified as a priority for the quarter with ROI/KPIs included.

## Tip:

Define clear milestones and review dates for transparency and ownership across your organisation.

## **Example:**

Because we run on EOS we have a weekly scorecard for each team. This helps us identify any issues or trends and keep on track to achieve our quarterly rocks.

## Tip:

This comes back to your ROI and KPIs. By measuring these you can make sure the resources you're assigning provide tangible value.



## **RESOURCES**



## **PODCASTS**

- Artificial Intelligence Podcast The Al Explored Podcast



## DOWNLOADS

- Al Business Blueprints
- <u>A Strategic Approach to Al</u> <u>Integration</u>



## **PROMPT GUIDES**

- <u>Gemini</u>
- <u>Claude</u>
- Chat GPT



## **TOOLS WE LOVE**

- Zapier Central
- <u>Landbot</u>
- <u>Restream</u>

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ABOUT HOW WE CAN HELP YOU LEVERAGE AI

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