IAPP Munchen KnowledgeNet

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What is the IAPP?

The IAPP is a policy neutral, not-for-profit association, founded in 2000, with a mission to define, promote and improve the professions of privacy, AI governance and digital responsibility globally. We are the largest association of our kind in the world, helping practitioners develop and advance their careers, and assisting companies and institutions in managing and protecting data.

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Grow the IAPP community in your city

Help continue a tradition of more than 25 years of learning. Volunteer, share expertise and strengthen the network at your local chapter.

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IAPP Diversity Network

Foster inclusion and diversity in the IAPP and the privacy field globally, ensuring all voices are heard and represented.



IAPP Engineering Network

Engage with a network of peers working at the convergence of IT and privacy engineering.



IAPP Privacy Bar Section Network

Discuss and debate data privacy from a legal perspective with privacy-focused lawyers and legal professionals.



IAPP Women's Leadership Network

Support and connect with the women who are driving one of today's fastest-growing professions.

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The IAPP is committed to helping you stay connected.
Check out the latest virtual offerings below.



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(Free to members)



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Unlock a global network of knowledge

Knowledge and insights

- Pick from a suite of daily, weekly and monthly newsletters.
- Deep analysis to inform decisions.
- Timely regulatory and legislative tracking.

Exclusivity

- Discounts on globally respected certifications and trainings.
- Expansive library of members-only content.
- Opportunities to demonstrate your skills and expertise.

Community and connection

- Network at local chapters and conferences.
- Meet with and learn from global thought leaders.
- Build your community and grow your career.

Join today

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IAPP organizational membership

A membership that meets your company's needs

Get even more member benefits including:

- Complementary passes to IAPP conferences.
- Exclusive briefings and updates.
- Exclusive discounts for vendor partners.

Learn more about organizational membership

BENEFITS	NONMEMBERS	INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS	ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERS
Access to all content and information	FREE content only	✓	✓
Customer Service	✓	✓	✓
Timely news updates and insights		✓	✓
Part of a global community		✓	✓
Career development assistance		✓	✓
Various discounts, added value		✓	✓
Concierge services			✓
Exclusive briefings and updates			✓
Access to IAPP subject matter experts			✓
Early access to sponsorship opportunities			✓
Lead generation activities			✓
Revenue generation options			✓
Services that scale with your operation			✓
Bulk discounts			✓
Group training to improve security and productivity			✓
Talent acquisition assistance			✓
Demonstrate privacy as a priority versus competitors			✓

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Beyond Job Displacement

Operational Fragility Is the Real AI Risk

Theodora Passamonti
Adam Liber
Tamas Bereczki



“Memory is highly **capacity-limited**. There’s only so much information we can attend to at any given time. We’re constantly turning to outside devices to kind of supplement this limitation.

Keeping the brain active is crucial, especially as we age. Over the course of 20 years, if you’re not exercising those hippocampal circuits, **neurons that don’t fire become useless**.”

Dr. Nathan Rose, Assistant Professor of Cognition, Brain, and Behaviour

University of Notre Dame’s Department of Psychology

The loss of daily spoken words

Analysis of 22 studies found a **consistent decline** in daily spoken communication between 2005 and 2019.

Average speech fell from approximately **16,000 words per day** in 2005 **to 12,700** in 2019.

Loss of small daily interactions leading **to diminishing opportunities for social connection**

Deploying AI tools requires reflecting on the impact to society at large

Are we becoming more digitally connected, but less verbally connected?

From AI assistance to AI autonomy

Autonomy	AI moves from suggesting outputs to executing workflows and actions
Approval gap	Approving a tool is not the same as approving each use case
Hidden adoption	Embedded AI features can enter workflows without a fresh review
Accountability	Legal, contractual and professional duties remain with the organisation

Are our approval processes keeping pace with AI autonomy?

The automation paradox

Efficiency	Faster workflows, lower cost, less duplicated human capacity
Dependency	Models, APIs, cloud services and concentrated providers
Failure modes	Outages, unexpected model changes, unreliable results
Trade-off	Optimised normal operations can weaken exceptional operations

At what point does AI-driven efficiency become dependency?

Find your AI-dependent “crown jewels”

Map	Identify where AI sits in critical business workflows
Measure	Consider disruption tolerances: 4 hours / 24 hours / 3 days
Learn from DORA	Map ICT dependencies, test resilience and manage third-party risk
Extend	Apply proportionate criticality thinking beyond financial services

Which AI-dependent process could your organisation least afford to lose?

Human oversight is not human fallback

Oversight	A reviewer may still be able to spot an incorrect AI output
Execution	But can that reviewer perform the full task without AI?
Capability	Junior development, practice, institutional knowledge and training
Test reality	

Will your human fallback still know how to do the job?

If the AI fails tomorrow, what is Plan B?

Technical	Alternative provider, deterministic workflow or reduced service
Human	Retained capacity, documented procedures and rehearsed execution
Contractual	Data access, portability, migration support and exit rights
Management	Decide how much efficiency to trade for genuine resilience

What is the one safeguard you would insist on before go-live?