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Daragh O'Brien
Chief Executive Officer
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Donald Farmer
Principal
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Dr Janet Bastiman
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Inspiring Leader & Keynote Speaker



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Lead Data Scientist and AI Architect
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Leonardo Gomez Virahonda
Principal Data Governance Specialist
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WORKSHOP DAYS: MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

8:30AM - 9:30AM	Networking Breakfast and Registration			
9:30AM - 12:45PM	A Practical Guide to Achieving Data Quality in your Business Gerard Bartley, Governance Practice Lead EMEA, Syniti	Stakeholder Management Sue Geuens, Director Data Governance and Product Data, Elsevier	AI Governance: From Policies Drafting to Incident Response Andrea Isoni, Chief AI Officer, AI Technologies	From Zero to Hero - Build your own Agentic AI System Claudia De Jeu Boronat, Lead ML Engineer, WTW
11:00AM - 11:15AM	Workshop Morning Break			
12:45PM - 1:45PM	Workshop Lunch			
1:45PM - 5:00PM	Businesses-First Data Strategy Samir Sharma, Founder, datazuum Dan Blake, Founder, Information-Activate	How to Thrive with Data Fabric Ben Clinch, Partner, Ortecha	Colleagues and Copilots: Rethinking Decision-Making with Hybrid Intelligence Donald Farmer, Principal, TreeHive Strategy	Architecting and Evaluating Multi-Agent Systems Claudia De Jeu Boronat, Lead ML Engineer, WTW
3:15PM - 3:30PM	Afternoon Break			

WORKSHOP DAYS: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

8:30AM - 9:00AM	Networking Breakfast and Registration
9:00AM - 1:15PM	Data & AI Literacy Leadership Course: Building Organisational Capability - A Blended Learning Program for Data Leaders Sue Geuens Director Data Governance and Product Data, Elsevier Daragh O'Brien, CEO & Director of Strategy, Castlebridge
9:00AM - 4:45PM	Data Quality – Ensuring Your Data is Ready for the AI Revolution Nigel Turner, Principal Information Management Consultant EMEA, Global Data Strategy
	Getting Started in Data Governance: A Practical Workshop Nicola Askham, The Data Governance Coach
Breaks Morning Break: 10:30-10:45 Lunch: 12:15-13:15 (Varying 1-hour slots between 12:15 to 14:00) Afternoon Break: 14:45-15:00	

WORKSHOP DAYS: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025

8:30AM - 9:00AM	Networking Breakfast and Registration
9:00AM - 4:30PM	Trustworthy AI in Practice: A Full-Day Skills Lab for Data Professionals Cal Al-Dhubaib, Head of AI & Data Science, Further
Breaks Morning Break: 10:30 - 10:45 Lunch: 12:15 - 1:15 Afternoon Break: 2:45 - 3:00	



CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITS: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025

8:00AM - 9:00AM	Networking Breakfast and Registration			
9:00AM - 9:10AM	Conference Welcome & Open Gerard Bartley, Governance Practice Lead EMEA, Syniti Sarah Higham, Head of Data Enablement/ Committee Member DAMA UK, Flutter UK & Ireland			
9:10AM - 9:55AM	Opening Keynote: Becoming AI-Empowered, Igniting Innovation with AI Julie Holmes, Igniting Innovation with AI: Inspiring Leader & Keynote Speaker			
9:55AM - 10:20AM	Networking Break & Exhibits			
10:20AM - 11:00AM	The First 2 Years: Lessons Learned Building the Sky Showtime Data Platform Dominika Malinowska, Head of Data Engineering, Sky Showtime	Value-Driven Analytics: Making Data Work for Decision Makers Laura Fiacco, Head of CS & CX Analytics, Kiwi.com	Using Generative & Agentic AI To Foster a Happier, Healthier & More Productive Workforce Timothy Walpole, Head of Data & Creative Technology, The Retail Trust	Using Data and Dialogue to Drive Team Success Ram Grandhi, Engineering Leader - Payments, Cards & Open Banking, Nationale-Nederlanden
11:10AM - 11:50AM	Data Quality in Large Organisations: Ambition vs Practicality Tim Donovan, Data Quality Manager, DE&S, Part of UK Ministry of Defence	Transforming the AI Mindset: From Hesitation to Implementation Gishan Nissanka, Head of People Intelligence, Worldline	Agentic Cyber Defense with External Threat Intelligence Jyoti Yadav, Security Data Scientist, Microsoft	Implementing an AI Governance Standard Across an Ever-Moving Transformation Programme Garry Manser, Head of Data Governance, Vanquis Banking Group
12:00PM - 12:45PM	Keynote: Empowering the Workforce in the Age of Agentic AI: Literacy, Trust & Governance at Scale Jan Henderyckx, Partner, BearingPoint			
12:45PM - 2:05PM	Networking Lunch & Exhibits			
1:10PM - 1:30PM	Lunchtime Session: AI & Data Governance: The Power Couple Shaping the Future Lidija Karaga, CEO and Co-Founder, Solvership			
1:35PM - 1:55PM	Lunchtime Session: Making Analytics Work - One CDO’s Journey to Real Business Impact Gennadii Armashula, Head of Growth, Accton Anna Ovchynnikova, Head of Product, Accton			
2:05PM - 2:35PM	Information Architecture - Building Purpose into Processes Laura van Weegen, Business Architect, Philip Morris International	Beyond the Lab: Hard-Won Strategies for Scaling GenAI & AI Agents Sumitro Ghatak, Lead Data Scientist and AI Architect, IBM	7 Studies That Show AI Is Training You: While You Think You’re the User Jing Hu, Director, 2nd Order Thinkers	Applications in a Non-Deterministic World Sergio Rodrigues Giraldo, IT Lead, ING
2:45PM - 3:25PM	Scaling Data Governance in the Age of AI: Lessons from the Field Leonardo Gomez Virahonda, Principal Data Governance Specialist, Amazon Web Services	Building a Powerful Data Strategy: A Lived Experience Ameen Ali, Business Consultant, BAE Systems Digital Intelligence	AI-Powered Business Automation: Scaling Operations with Intelligence Olivier Khatib, Founder & CEO, DATANEO	Best Practices for Reference Data Management Beth Fitzpatrick, Senior Data Management Consultant, Royal London Andy Oddy, Data Management Lead, Royal London
3:25PM - 3:55PM	Networking Break & Exhibits			
3:55PM - 4:25PM	Cutting Through the Noise: Empowering Data Leadership with the Essential Trio - Truthsayers, Storytellers and Guides Dan Blake, Founder, Information-Activate	The Role of Enterprise Architecture Management in Defining and Implementing Data and AI Strategies Jörg Ziemann, Group-wide Lead Architect Data Analytics, Lufthansa	From Processes to Agents: Rethinking IT with Agentic AI Adamantia Velonis, Global Director IT Strategy & Communications, L.E.K. Consulting	Navigating the Journey of AI Project Delivery for Lasting Results Raul Diez Gomez, Asset Management Cross Platform Delivery Manager, M&G Plc
4:25PM - 4:40 PM	DAMA UK Awards			
4:40 PM - 5:15 PM	Keynote: Colleagues and Copilots - Rethinking Decision-Making in the Hybrid Intelligence Era Donald Farmer, Principal, TreeHive Strategy			
5:15 PM - 6:20 PM	Networking Drinks Reception & Exhibits			

CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITS: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

8:00AM - 9:00AM	Networking Breakfast and Registration			
9:00AM - 9:10AM	Conference Welcome & Open Sue Geuens, Director Data Governance and Product Data, Elsevier Ian Wallis, Managing Director, Data Strategists Ltd			
9:10AM - 10:00AM	Keynote: AI and the Workforce of the Future: The Future Starts NOW Daragh O'Brien, CEO & Director of Strategy, Castlebridge			
10:10 AM - 10:50 AM	Building an Award-Winning Data Governance Practice: Focusing on Automation and Process Digitalization Kris Ball, Data Governance & Analytics Manager, Lexmark	Building a Human-Centred Data Culture in the Age of AI Antony Burton, VP of Product & Strategy, Data Literacy Academy Tony Zona, Chief Data Officer, Grant Thornton UK	Using AI to disrupt Human Trafficking Tom Higgins, Director of Data and Technology, STOP THE TRAFFIK	Shaping the Future of Finance and Insurance: AI for Accuracy Elangoraj Thiruppandiaaj, Data Scientist, Just Group
10:50AM - 11:20AM	Networking Break & Exhibits			
11:20AM - 12:00PM	Data Strategy Development and the Mistakes Not to Make Sara Louise Ewen, Director, Auchnacraig Data Services Limited	From Burden to Value Driver: Revolutionising Data Management with Agentic AI Epcó Maat, Data Management & Data Governance Lead, Accenture Sherifat Akintunde-Shitu, MDM Capability Lead, Accenture	Panel Session: Ethical AI in Finance: Balancing Innovation, Trust, and Regulation Moderator: Nicola Askham, The Data Governance Coach Dr. Janet Bastiman, Chief Data Scientist, Napier AI Paul Dongha, Head of Responsible AI and AI Strategy, NatWest Bank	
12:10PM - 12:50PM	Neurodiversity & the World of Data Quality Rachael Parkin, Data Quality Manager, Barratt Redrow	Future Trends in Data: Shaping the Next Generation of Governance Gerard Bartley, Governance Practice Lead EMEA, Syniti	Building Enterprise-Ready Agentic AI Systems: A Roadmap from Concept to Production Claudia De Jeu Boronat, Lead ML Engineer, WTW	AI Governance in Action: A Practical Roadmap From Principles to Implementation Ray Eitel-Porter, Founder, Lumyz Advisory Paul Dongha, Head of Responsible AI and AI Strategy, NatWest Bank
12:50PM - 2:05PM	Networking Lunch & Exhibits			
1:15 PM - 1:35 PM	Lunchtime Session: The Illusion of Intelligence – Why Readiness Trumps the Hype Juan Carlos, OneSource Product Manager, Insightful Technology			
2:10 PM - 2:50 PM	We Are the Change We Seek: How Culture Can Make or Break a Data Management Initiative Nigel Turner, Principal Information Management Consultant EMEA, Global Data Strategy	From Data Chaos to Business Clarity: The Data Products Revolution for the Age of AI Shirosh Tissera, Senior Enterprise Architect, Collibra	Keynote: Responsible AI in Financial Services – Lessons From the Front Line Dr. Janet Bastiman, Chief Data Scientist, Napier AI	
3:00PM - 3:30PM	Clean Data, Strong AI: Building the Right Foundation for Success Eshani Mathur, Consultant, Cervello	AI Guardrails in Action: Real-Time Moderation for Safer LLM-Based Chatbots Salman Saeed Khan, Director Data Science, Imperial College London	Rise of the Red Team Machines James Williams, Senior Security Consultant, TrustedSec	Data Governance for Data Modelling of Data Products Alar Krist, Data Architect, Swedbank
3:30PM - 3:45PM	Networking Break & Exhibits			
3:45PM - 4:25PM	Keynote Panel: The Intelligent Enterprise: Aligning Data, AI, and Strategy for Competitive Advantage Moderator: Ben Clinch, CDO and Partner, Ortecha Joanne Biggadike, Head of Data Governance, Schroders Matthew Widick, Head of Data Enablement, Compare The Market Martine Wauben, Head of Data for London, Greater London Authority			
4:25PM - 5:00PM	Closing Keynote: The Hidden Power of Your Voice - Lessons From a Life I Almost Lost Nina Aouilk, Keynote Speaker & Bestselling Author			

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