

## Professional Biographies – Prof. Alex O. Akpodiete

### Full Faculty Bio

Prof. Alex O. Akpodiete, JD, MBA, PMP, CISM, CASP+, ITIL

Prof. Alex O. Akpodiete is an international cybersecurity and artificial intelligence expert with over 30 years of experience spanning academia, government, and industry. He holds advanced degrees in Cybersecurity, Computer Science, Business Administration (MBA), and Law (JD), reflecting his unique multidisciplinary expertise. He also has various industry high-level certifications.

As CEO & Founder of Atawa AI, he leads global initiatives to develop ethical and inclusive AI solutions across Africa, the Middle East, and the United States. A certified instructor in cybersecurity and AI testing, he has taught and trained professionals in more than a dozen countries, covering topics such as CISSP, CompTIA certifications, AI governance, dark web intelligence, and digital forensics. He has also taught at five universities on four continents.

Currently an Adjunct Professor of Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics at Mount Saint Mary's University (USA), Prof. Akpodiete bridges technology, ethics, and leadership to empower the next generation of cybersecurity and AI professionals.

### Short Web Listing

Prof. Alex O. Akpodiete, JD, MBA, CISM, PMP, CASP+, ITIL, is a global cybersecurity and AI expert with over 30 years of experience. Holding degrees in Cybersecurity, Computer Science, Business Administration, and Law, he leads Atawa AI and teaches cybersecurity, forensics, and AI ethics internationally. He also holds various industry high-level certifications.

### LinkedIn / Speaker Bio

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Prof. Alex O. Akpodiete is a visionary leader in cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and digital forensics with more than three decades of global experience. He holds advanced degrees in Cybersecurity, Computer Science, Business Administration (MBA), and Law (JD), uniting technical, managerial, and legal insight in every engagement. He also holds various industry high-level certifications.

As CEO & Founder of Atawa AI, he champions ethical, inclusive, and trustworthy AI across Africa, the Middle East, and the U.S. A certified instructor and adjunct professor at Mount Saint Mary's University (USA), Prof. Akpodiete has trained professionals and government leaders in over a dozen countries, along with over 700 students at five universities on four different continents.

He is a frequent keynote speaker and consultant helping organizations navigate the intersection of technology, law, ethics, and human impact in the digital age.