



AGENDA
AI Gov World 2026
‘AI Governance at Work’
A Global Conference in Las Vegas

Flamingo Hotel

October 12-14, 2026

Agenda As of August 18, 2026



Day One, Monday, October 12

Time			
9am-4pm Pacific Time	Mesquite Foyer Registration & Coffee	Mesquite Ballroom Exhibitor Setup	
	Virginia City 2 Room	Carson City 1	Carson City 2
	12:30pm-4pm AI Governance Executive Forum: A Roundtable Discussion Featured Speakers: Peter Stockburger Partner, Foley & Ladner Bennett Borden Founder & CEO, Clarion AI Partners Robert Smallwood Author of: <i>The AI Governance Playbook</i> Dr. Darryl Carlton Pathfinder.ai	9am-4pm CIGO/AI Generative AI Gov Training Class Robert Smallwood <i>Chair, CIGO Assn.</i> Michael Esola <i>Cybersecurity Architect</i> Barry Brueseke <i>VP Compliance at eVisit</i> Chris Surdak <i>CEO, Releaf Financial</i>	10am-4pm CIGO/AI-A Agent AI Gov Training Class Robert Smallwood <i>Chair, CIGO Assn.</i> Michael Esola <i>Cybersecurity Architect</i> Barry Brueseke <i>VP Compliance at eVisit</i> Patricia Franks, PhD <i>Professor Emerita, SJSU (remote)</i>
4:00pm-5:30pm	 Mesquite Ballroom Opening Networking Reception Hosted by CIGO Association		
5:30-7:30pm	 Offsite Networking Reception Hosted by NVISIONx Chéri Rooftop (Under the Paris Hotel Eiffel Tower, Across from Flamingo)		
7:30pm-9pm	Industry Dinners (Legal, Healthcare, Financial Svs, PrivSec, RIM) Bugsy & Meyer's Steakhouse Flamingo Hotel		



Day Two, Tuesday, October 13

Time	
7:30am- 8:25am Pacific Time	Savoy Foyer Registration Mesquite Ballroom Breakfast (full hot breakfast)
8:25-8:40	Savoy Ballroom Welcome from the Conference Chair <i>Robert Smallwood, Conference Chair</i>
8:40am	Keynote Session: “Finding the Signal in the Noise: Leveraging AI Opportunities to Transform Your Organization” Bennett Borden CEO, Clarion AI Partners
9:10	Vendor Showcase <i>(each sponsor gets 1 minute before the group)</i>
9:20	Savoy Ballroom Keynote Session: “Governance in the Age of Agents” Peter Stockburger Partner Foley & Lardner
9:50-10:30	AI in IG: Trends & Issues Roundtable Discussion Robert Smallwood (Moderator) ‘AI Gov Playbook’ author Peter Stockburger Partner Foley & Lardner Bennett Borden Clarion AI Partners +1



10:30-10:55	Mesquite Ballroom Information Market & Networking Time Coffee & Soft Drink Break			
Session Rooms	Virginia City 2	Virginia City 3	Carson City 1	Carson City 2
11:00am-11:45am	<i>AI Governance</i> <i>Agentic AI</i> Governing AI Agents That Take Real Enterprise Actions: Controls, Auditability, and Human Review Siddharth Jain OpenAI	<i>IG Best Practices</i> <i>AI Gov</i> Navigating the New Reality: Over-Permissioning and Copilot Implementation Signa Gundlach Justin Carlson Southern Nevada Water Authority Ali Warsi General Networks	<i>AI Governance</i> The AI ROI Gap Josh Mason CTO RecordPoint	<i>AI Governance</i> TBD Patrick Spencer SVP Kiteworks
11:55-12:35pm	Virginia City 2 <i>AI Gov</i> When a Tool is Not a Tool: AI Gone C.O.L.D. Dr. Joe Perez North Carolina Dept of Health & Human Services	Virginia City 3 <i>AI Governance</i> Defensible Decisions: What Responsible AI Governance Requires Chris Hutchins Hutchins Data Strategy	Carson City 1 <i>AI Governance</i> <i>Change Mgmt</i> AI & Compliance and AI & Change Management Tom Corey Gunster LLP Matt Baldwin Triad Executive Advisors	Carson City 2 <i>AI Gov</i> <i>AI Best Practices</i> The Algorithm Wasn't Unsupervised Margaret Spence AI Governance for HR

12:40pm-1:25pm	Savoy & Mesquite Ballrooms Lunch & Networking Book Signing Robert Smallwood & Chris Surdak authors of, “The AI Governance Playbook”			
Session Rooms	Virginia City 2	Virginia City 3	Carson City 1	Carson City 2
1:30pm PT	1:30-2:30 <i>RIM Issues</i> RIM Roundtable Panel Discussion Joe Shepley (M) Triad Executive Advisors +3	1:30-2:00 <i>AI Governance IG Best Practices</i> From Exposure to Enterprise Governance: Building an Information Strategy That Scales Sandy Serkes CEO Valora Technologies Tyler Nelson CIO Consero Global	1:30-2:00 <i>AI Governance IG Best Practices</i> Why Most AI Fails— and How CIOs Make It Stick Pankaj Tiwari EVP, CIO Penumbra, Inc.	1:30-2:00 <i>Data Governance Risk Management</i> Between Systems Lies the Risk: The Missing Control in Data Governance Steven Zagoudis CEO Metagovernance



		2:10-2:40 <i>IG Best Practices Change Management</i> Mixing Your IG Mission and Message for the Crowd, OR How To Get Your Vocals Heard Across the Roar! Tod Chernikoff RM Gov Lead Navy Federal	2:10-2:40 <i>AI Governance</i> Human First: Leading AI Innovation Without Losing What Matters Most Lisa Levy CEO Lcubed Consulting	2:10-2:40 <i>AI Governance</i> AI Program Blueprint: The Pillars Kurt Neumann Records & Information Sr. Principal AI Gov. Prime Therapeutics
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Session Rooms	Virginia City 2	Virginia City 3	Carson City 1	Carson City 2
	2:50-3:40 <i>eDiscovery</i> eDiscovery in the Age of AI: Roundtable Discussion David Greetham (M) VP of Digital Forensics Level Legal Joy Murao Founder, CEO Practice Aligned Resources Shannon Bales Litigation Support Senior Manager Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP	2:50-3:20 <i>AI & RIM Change Mgmt.</i> AI Workforce Readiness Brandi Bryant Change Management Consultant - Manager Access Sciences	2:50-3:20 <i>AI Governance IG Best Practices</i> Guardians of the State: How We Built an Air-Gapped AI Fortress for Consumer Data Rachana Srivastava California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation	2:50-3:20 <i>AI Governance Data Governance</i> Designing and Sustaining an Effective AI Governance Program Jessica Zuñiga BlueYeti Maria Alejandra Restrepo Twilio

	Jerry Bui Senior Vice President, Digital Forensics Purpose Legal			
		3:30-4:00 <i>AI Governance</i> Responsible AI in a Turbulent World: Embedding Governance in Systems, not Slogans Dr. Darryl Carlton AI Policy & Compliance Director Pathfinder.ai	3:30-4:00 <i>AI Governance</i> The AI Governance Readiness Gap: Why Risk Registers Aren't Enough Jessica Jo Montgomery SAIC, U.S. Air Force Digital Transformation Agency	3:30-4:00 TBD

	Virginia City 2 3:50-4:40 <i>AI Governance</i> Information Governance in the Age of AI Roundtable Discussion Baird Brueseke (M) Director of IG eVisit Jonathan Schieber, Esq., IGP Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP Marie George CIO MOHELA	Virginia City 3 4:10-4:40 <i>AI Governance</i> Solving the Biggest Problem with Agentic AI: Trust as a Service Chris Surdak CEO ReLeaf Financial	Carson City 1 4:10-4:40 <i>Cybersecurity</i> <i>AI Governance</i> <i>Cybersecurity</i> When AI Becomes the Adversary: Governance Challenges in Cybersecurity & Social Engineering Michael Esola Cybersecurity Architect	Carson City 2 4:10-4:40 The CIGO® CIGO/AI & CIGO/AI-A Certifications Explained Rob't Smallwood (M) Vicki Willis Kurt Neumann Michael Esola
4:45-6:15pm	Mesquite Ballroom - Terrace Grand Reception, (food, drinks, entertainment) Information Market Reception & Networking Time			
6:30-8:30pm	Group Dinner  Gordon Ramsay Pub & Grill (in Caesar's Palace)			
8:30pm	Offsite Networking Receptions			



Day Three, Wednesday, October 14

Time				
7am Pacific - 8:25am	Savoy & Mesquite Ballroom Registration & Breakfast			
8:25-8:30	Savoy Ballroom Welcome from the Conference Chair <i>Robert Smallwood, CEO, InfoGov World</i>			
8:30-8:40am	AI Gov World Awards Winners Announced			
8:40-9:10am	Keynote Session: “Governing Agentic AI: InfoGov Leverage” Robert Smallwood Chair Certified IG Officers Association			
9:15-9:45am	Keynote Session: TBA			
9:45-10:30	Mesquite Ballroom Information Market & Networking Time Coffee & Soft Drink Break			



10:30-11:10am	Virginia City 2 <i>Agentic AI Gov</i> Deploying Agentic AI for Biosecurity at a US Port-of-Entry State: A Google Cloud Case Study Henry Bhaluani Solutions Architect SHI	Virginia City 3 <i>AI Governance</i> Solving AI Adoption's Hardest Problem Defining Trust. Delivering Outcomes Glen Day CEO NVISIONx	Carson City 1 <i>AI Governance</i> Kiteworks TBD	Carson City 2 <i>AI Governance Legal Compliance</i> LegalRM TBD
11:15-11:50am	<i>Info Risk & Security</i> 11:15am-12:05pm CyberSec & Info Risk Roundtable Discussion Baird Brueseke (M) VP Compliance & Security eVisit	<i>RIM IG Best Practices</i> 11:15-11:50am Archiving Doesn't Cut It: The Future of IG Kaan Volkan Solution Consultant ZLTI	<i>AI Governance</i> 11:15-11:50am Agentic AI: The Next Evolution of AI TBD	<i>Data Gov Information Risk</i> 11:15-11:50am Unlocking Gen AI's potential - Without Unlocking Risk Joanna Kennedy Global Group Data Governance Officer Fullsight



11:55am - 12:30pm	Michael Esola Cybersecurity Architect Ishita Thanki Senior Technical Program Leader Cisco Anjali Gugle AI Native Engineering Cisco	11:55am-12:30pm <i>AI Governance</i> Taking on ISO 42001 Heather Wood Sr. Director, Data Privacy & Protection, Outreach.io	11:55am-12:30pm <i>AI Governance Staffing</i> Assembling Your A-Team: Hiring the Right Talent in the Age of AI Kolby Goodman Talent Acquisition Expert BestFirstNow	11:55am-12:30pm <i>AI Governance</i> TBD Open Panel Discussion: Implementing Defensible Disposal in Practice: Overcoming Common Challenges
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12:30-1:30pm	Savoy & Mesquite Ballroom Lunch & Networking <i>Sponsored by CIGO Association</i>			
1:35-2:05pm	Virginia City 2 <i>IG Best Practices RIM</i> Factors To Consider When Conducting Legal Retention Research TBD	Virginia City 3 <i>AI Governance</i> AI Readiness Starts with Governance (But Not the Kind You Think)	Carson City 1 <i>AI Governance Risk Mgmt.</i> AI Risk & Governance Assessments: Standards-based, Practical Approaches	Carson City 2 Open

2:10-3:00pm PT	Virginia City 2 <i>Privacy</i> Privacy Issues in the Age of AI Roundtable Discussion Michael Esola (M) Cybersecurity Architect Heather Wood Sr. Dir. Data Privacy & Protection Outreach.io Ray Rockefeller Director of Privacy Teknor + 1 TBD	AI Gov Tales from the Trenches: What's Next for AI Governance Heading into 2027? Joe Shepley (M) Kurt Neumann Prime Therapeutics Kristina Bakardjiev Cozen O'Connor ++	Open	
3:10-4:00	<i>AI Governance</i> AI Governance Closing Roundtable Robert Smalllwood (M) CEO InfoGov World			



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4:00pm PT	Adjourn			