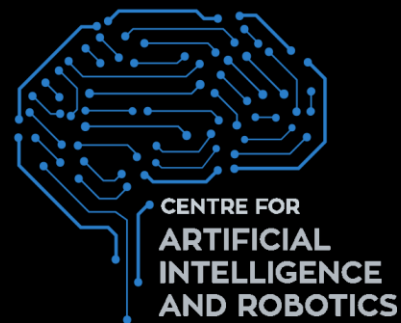




ITU AI READINESS WORKSHOP

Operationalizing AI Readiness

Lessons from Responsible AI in Law Enforcement

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WHO WE ARE

United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)

Est. 1965 · Turin

One of only six UN research and training institutes. Established in the 1960s by ECOSOC, UNICRI supports Member States with research and capacity-building across justice, crime prevention and the rule of law.



The Centre for AI and Robotics

Est. 2017 · The Hague

A specialized UN centre for AI. From the International City of Peace and Justice, it advances global understanding of the challenges and opportunities of AI, seen through the lens of justice and crime.

- 01 Understand the malicious and criminal use of AI
- 02 Leverage AI responsibly across criminal justice
- 03 Promote AI literacy across society

The Hague · The Netherlands

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Why AI Readiness Matters

The future of AI will be determined not only by the technologies we build, but by the institutions we prepare.

AI adoption is accelerating, but institutions are not always ready

National strategies and high-level principles set the direction. But readiness is proven in operations: without the right culture, people, process, governance and oversight, even the best AI systems fail, and can cause harm.

Technology alone is not enough.

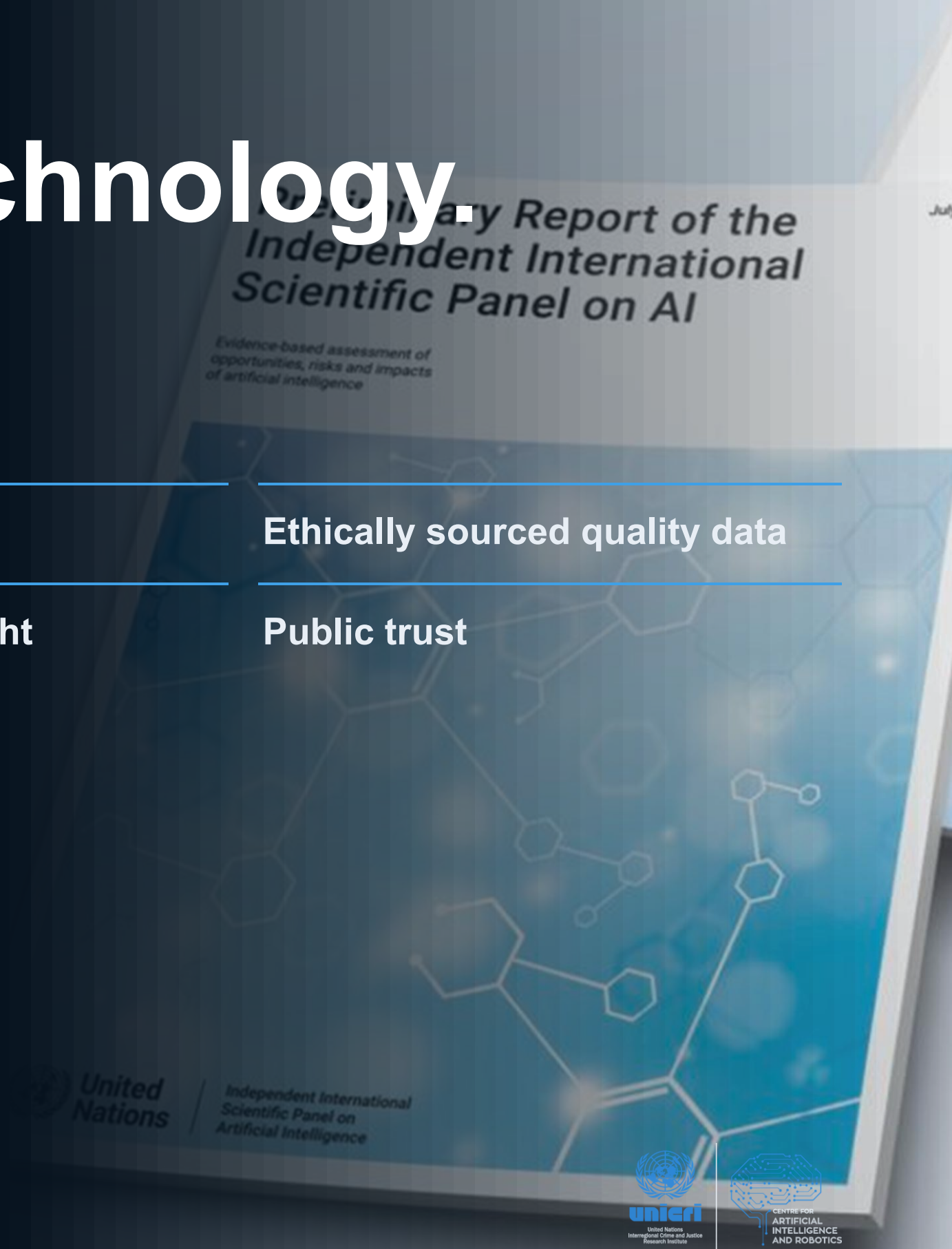
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What Readiness Looks Like

Responsible AI innovation across every stage of the AI journey, grounded in human rights law, ethics and policing principles.

AI readiness goes beyond technology.

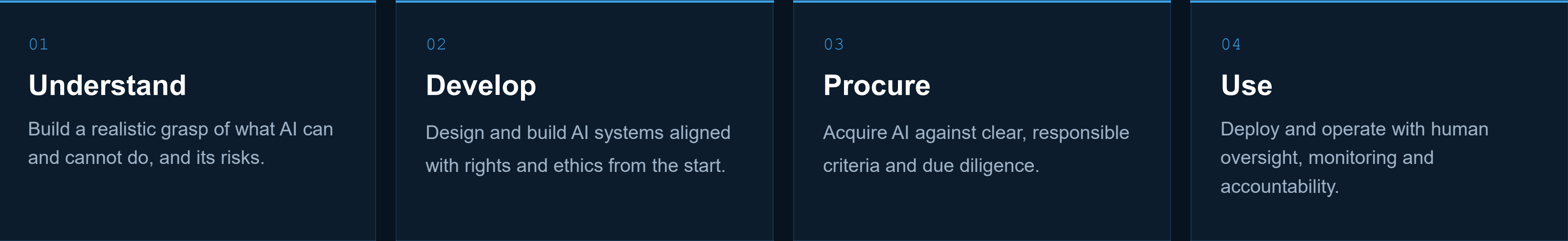
Governance	Institutional capacity	Skilled people	Ethically sourced quality data
Operational procedures	Human-rights safeguards	Continuous oversight	Public trust



What responsible AI readiness looks like

Responsible AI innovation runs across **every stage of the AI journey** , and at each stage stays anchored in the same foundations instead of being a one-off check.

THE AI JOURNEY, DONE RESPONSIBLY



Source: Toolkit for responsible AI innovation in law enforcement

A multistakeholder journey for AI readiness in Law Enforcement



RESPONSIBLE
AI INNOVATION IN
LAW ENFORCEMENT
AI Toolkit



2018

2023

2024

Launch of the 1st Global Meeting on Artificial Intelligence for Law Enforcement

Launch of the Responsible AI Innovation in Law Enforcement (AI Toolkit)

Launch of AI-POL: Advancing Innovation, Governance & Responsible AI in Law Enforcement



From Principles to Practice

Our flagship contribution is a path from principle to operational reality.

In this section

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02 AI-POL



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Toolkit for Responsible AI Innovation in Law Enforcement

Launched by UNICRI and INTERPOL in 2023 with EU funding, and revised in 2024. It is a practical resource that turns globally accepted principles into day-to-day practice.

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Practical & guidance resources

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Principles for responsible AI

ai-lawenforcement.org

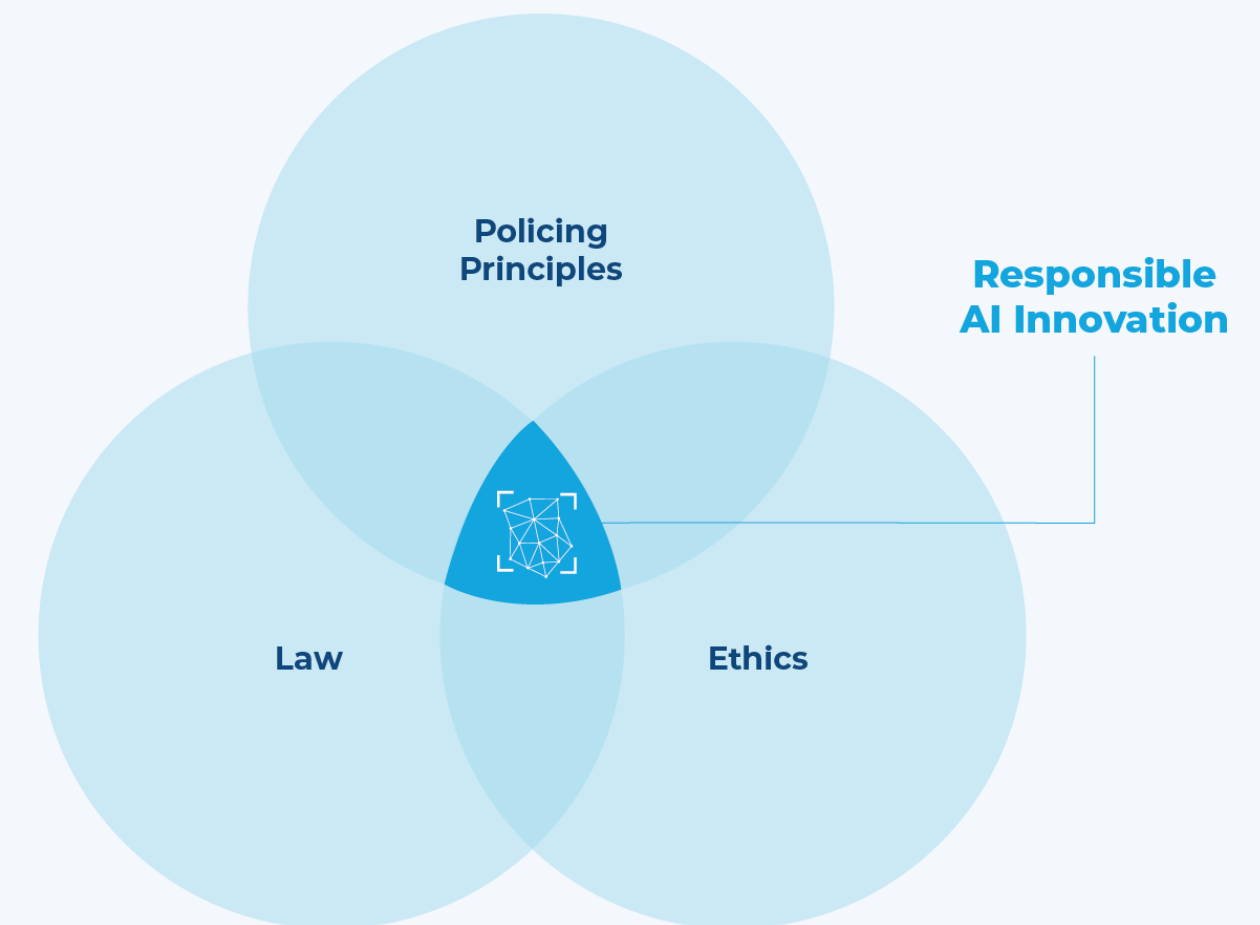


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Source: Toolkit for responsible AI innovation in law enforcement

From principles to procedures

SEVEN RESOURCES

- 01

Introduction to Responsible AI & Principles
- 02

Principles for Responsible AI Innovation
- 03

Organizational Roadmap
- 04

Technical Reference Book
- 05

Organizational Readiness Assessment
- 06

Risk Assessment Workbook
- 07

Responsible AI in Action Workbook

The **Organizational Readiness Assessment** and **Organizational Roadmap** turn these into a structured path to AI readiness for agencies.

FIVE PRINCIPLES

- Lawfulness
- Minimization of harm
- Human autonomy
- Fairness
- Good governance

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We didn't want it to sit on the shelf.

With the Toolkit built, the next step was adoption. Law enforcement stakeholders at the working level told us plainly: to create real impact, we had to reach the people who set direction.

"If you want to create real change, you need to speak to the boss."

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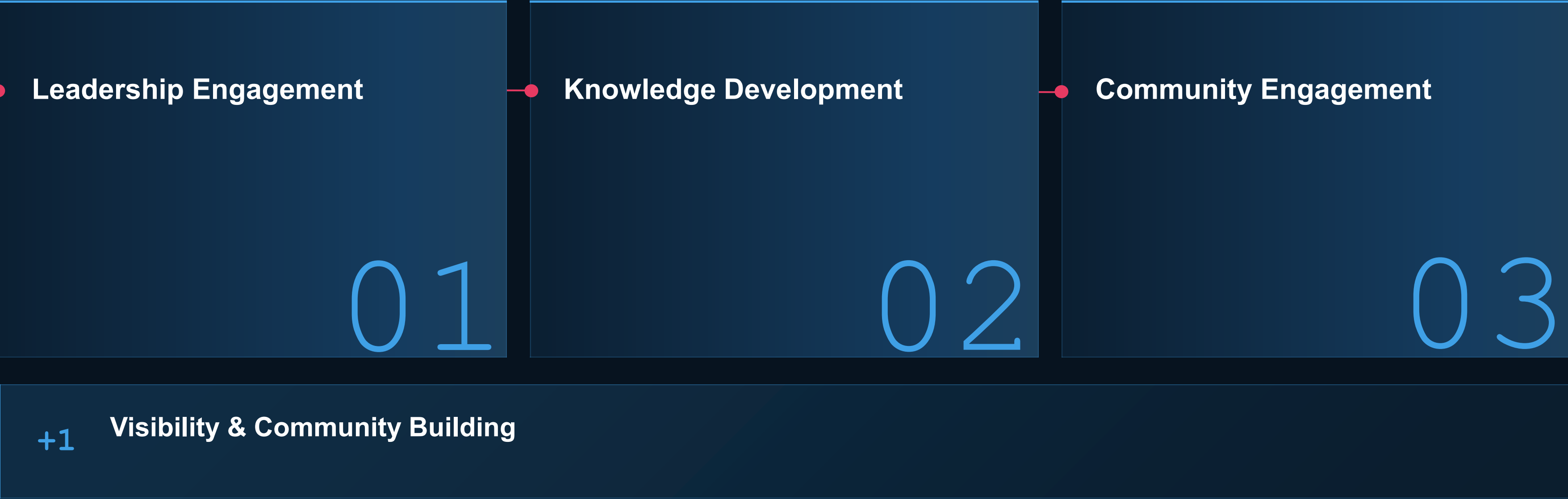
High-level leadership meeting | CBI Headquarters | India





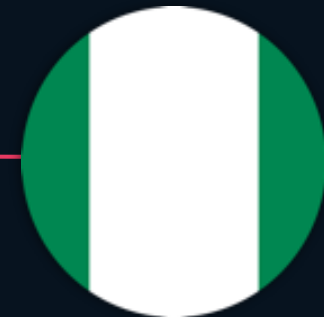
Three workstreams

A structured programme, **3 + 1**, that carries agencies from leadership buy-in to sustained capacity building.



Engaging the executive directly

Five agencies, across five regions, are in the AI-POL Leadership Dialogue, starting with the people who can make responsible AI a priority.



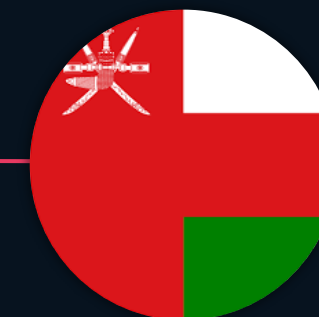
Nigeria Police Force



Ministry of Internal Affairs



Brazilian Federal Police



Royal Oman Police



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In-country personalized engagement

- Nigeria Police Force
- Brazilian Federal Police
- Royal Oman Police
- Central Bureau of Investigation · India
- Ministry of Internal Affairs · Kazakhstan

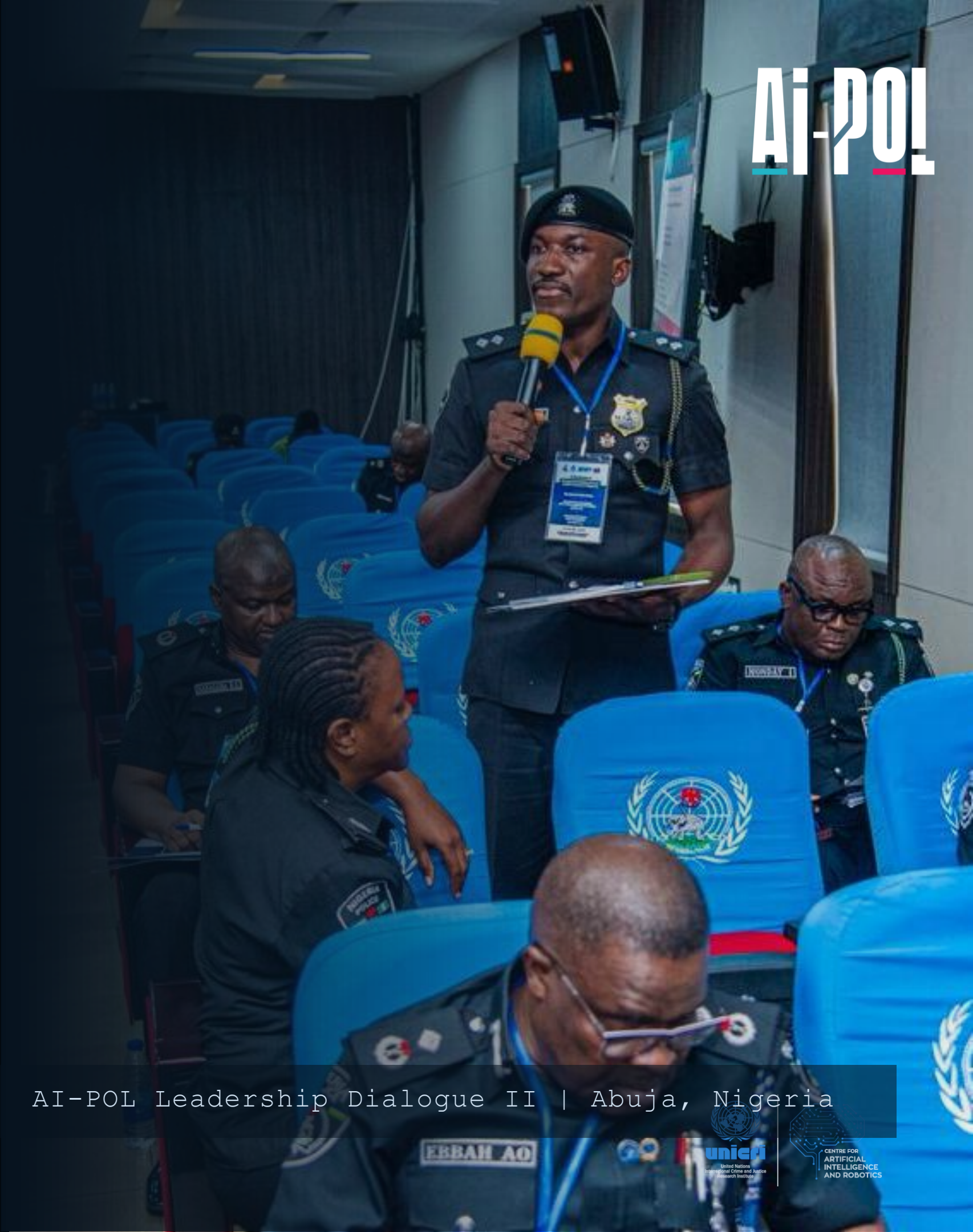
A Good Practice · Nigeria · Outcomes

1. Responsible AI Strategy

2. Public Engagement

3. AI Literacy Training

4. Innovation Lab



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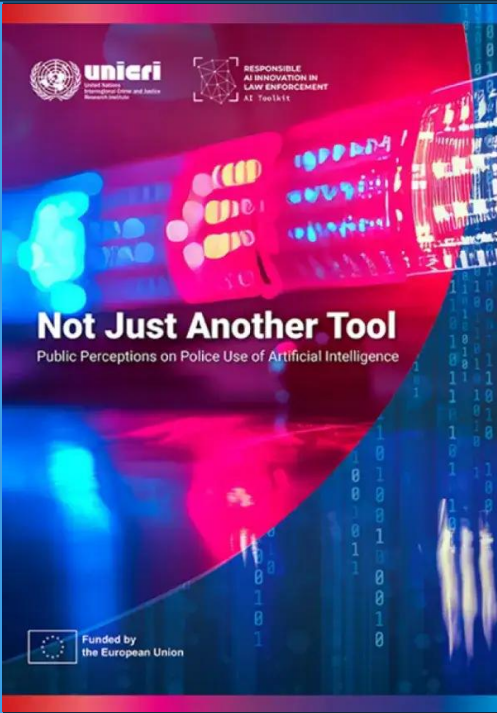
AI-POL Leadership Dialogue II | Abuja, Nigeria

Building public trust

One of AI-POL's core streams, and one we put real weight behind.

HIGHLIGHT · ONLINE EVENT

We recently opened a live online discussion on public trust in AI for law enforcement, bringing experts and the public into the same conversation.



THE BACKDROP · OUR RESEARCH

“Not Just Another Tool” : Public Perceptions of AI in Law Enforcement

A global survey on how people see AI in policing: cautious optimism, real concern over privacy and fairness, and trust that hinges on transparency and human oversight.

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MONTHS



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Further Initiatives

The same responsible-AI approach, extended to new frontiers of justice and public safety.

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Helping investigators protect children by leveraging the positive potential of AI

An initiative launched in 2020, AI for Safer Children involves a Global Hub platform – exclusive to law enforcement, with a catalogue of specialized AI tools, a learning centre and global network of contacts, available in all six UN languages – as well as specialized training and operational support, all aimed at building capacities to combat child sexual exploitation and abuse by leveraging AI responsibly.

129

Countries

2,700+

Officers trained

100+

AI tools

6

UN languages

260

Investigations where officers used AI tools following trainings

15

Children saved

37

Arrests made

AI for Safer Children training | Madagascar

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Building judicial capacity for AI

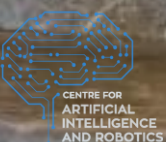
Our Centre supports Qatar's judiciary through five-day, in-person trainings at the UNICRI AI Centre in The Hague, pairing conceptual foundations with scenario-based judicial challenges, expert guest lectures, and a study visit to the Peace Palace.

- Human-centred
- Rights-based
- A replicable regional model

Partner



Study visit · The Peace Palace



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