

STANFORD AI AUDITING CONFERENCE

June 26-27, 2025

Joint Research Centre, Calle Inca Garcilaso, 3, 41092 Sevilla

Organised by Stanford University with the support of the International Association of Algorithmic Auditors, and the European Centre for Algorithmic Transparency

PRE-CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Hotel Information:

- *Petit Palace Vargas*
- *Pl. la Legión, 7, Casco Antiguo, 41001 Sevilla, Spain*

Venue Information:

- *Joint Research Centre, Calle Inca Garcilaso 3, Edificio Expo, 41092 Sevilla, Spain*
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DAY 1: THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025

13:30 - 14:00 | Registration and Welcome

14:00 - 14:30 | Opening Remarks

- Nathaniel Persily, Stanford University
- Gemma Galdon-Clavell, International Association of Algorithmic Auditors
- Alberto Pena Fernandez, Head of JRC Algorithmic Transparency Unit

14:30 - 16:00 | Session 1: Auditing in Practice (Methods)

While the principles of Responsible AI have been established and shared for long, the actual accountability and auditing practices that can ensure AI safety, fairness and desirable outcomes are proving difficult to come by. As governance standards like ISO 42001 gain traction, we want to discuss the limits of current approaches to AI auditing and assurance, and how to build inspection methods that effectively contribute to accountability at all levels of the AI value chain, and what works and what doesn't when implementing oversight, safety and assurance methods.

- **Session Chair(s):** Oliver Smith (Eticas.ai)
 - **Speakers include representatives from:** European Centre for Algorithmic Transparency (ECAT), AI Forensics, Eticas.AI, International Association of Algorithmic Auditors, Humane Intelligence, and Northeastern University
- Discussion & Q&A

16:00 - 16:15 | Afternoon Coffee Break

16:15 - 17:30 | Session 2: Auditing in Principle (Standards, Regulations, Frameworks)

This panel will explore how AI audits are being conducted in practice, moving beyond frameworks to the real-world challenges and methods used by auditors today. We'll discuss how audit scope is defined, what evidence is collected, and how standards like ISO 42001 are applied in operational environments. Panellists will share practical insights on audit readiness, common findings, and what organizations need to do to support credible, effective AI assurance.

- **Session Chair:** Patrick Sullivan (A-LIGN)
 - **Speakers include representatives from:** Modulos.AI, Spirit Legal, and Artificial Intelligence Quality Infrastructure Consortium (AIQI)
- Discussion & Q&A

20:30 - 22:30 | Conference Dinner

- Working dinner with Nathaniel Persily (Stanford University) in conversation with the EU AI Office
 - **Location:** *DON JORGE Tasca Fina Tapas, C. San Jorge, 16, 41010 Sevilla, Spain*

DAY 2: FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025**9:30 - 10:00 | Day 2 Welcome & Recap****10:00 - 11:30 | Session 3: Auditing the AI Auditor (AI Auditor Accreditation)**

Examining if and why accreditation is increasingly vital — not just for technical assurance, but for maintaining public trust and accountability. The current landscape is fragmented: emerging standards such as ISO/IEC 42001, the NIST AI Risk Management Framework, the EU AI Act, and national efforts like Australia's AI Ethics Framework point to the need for alignment and professional rigor. We will explore practical models for accreditation. How might existing accreditation bodies like ISACA, IAPP, or ISO-certifying organisations play a role? Discuss national vs global pathways, and appropriate evaluation mechanisms—exams, portfolios, education, and ongoing CPD.

- **Session Chair:** Joseph Dalessandro (Sirius Matters)
 - **Speakers include representatives from:** Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), and Beyond Reach
- Discussion & Q&A

11:30 - 12:00 | Morning Coffee Break**12:00 – 12:30 | Presenting JRC Seville**

12:30 - 13:30 | Lunch

13:30 - 15:00 | Session 4: The Market for AI audits (Business Drivers)

This session will explore the current and future market for AI auditing and assurance, market shapers and barriers, and concrete experiences. What is driving AI assurance demand? What barriers and enablers do internal champions of AI auditing encounter? What regulatory, organizational and supply initiatives would facilitate the practical adoption of Trust & safety solutions?

- **Session Chair:** Rashida Richardson (Northeastern University)
 - **Speakers include representatives from:** Swift, Scale AI, DLA Piper, RAND, and Consumer Federation of America
- Panel Discussion & Q&A

15:00 - 16:00 | Closing Discussion: Next Steps

In this session, all participants will be encouraged to share ideas, plans and priorities for the mainstreaming of AI accountability tools in AI development and regulation. The goal is to identify what it is we want and can do together, and where the efforts of this group and close allies would best be focused. There are already plans in place for a follow-up, larger conference towards the end of 2025.

- **Session Chair:** Gemma Galdon (Eticas.AI & IAAA)

16:00 - 16:15 | Conference Wrap-Up and Thank You's

- Nate Persily, Stanford University
- Emilia Gomez, European Centre for Algorithmic Transparency (ECAT)
- Misha Salahshoor, IAAA

16:15 - 17:30 | Refreshments and Tapas Reception

Evening | Free Time for Dinner (*participants responsible for their own arrangements*)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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