

How To Build a Durable AI Governance Programme

A 3-Pillar Framework for Practitioners

Most organisations treat AI governance as a policy exercise. The result is written commitments that no one enforces, AI tools provisioned faster than oversight can keep up, and exposure that compounds quietly until something goes wrong.



PILLAR 1

Data Governance

Only 36% of organisations have visibility into where their data is processed, trained, or inferred. AI systems draw from the entire data environment, and when the underlying data is poor quality or inadequately traced, the consequences surface directly in model behaviour.



PILLAR 2

AI Governance

AI governance splits into two distinct dimensions. Data-centric governance covers what feeds the model. System-centric governance covers how the model behaves. Both require dedicated governance structures, and organisations that address only one are governing half the picture.

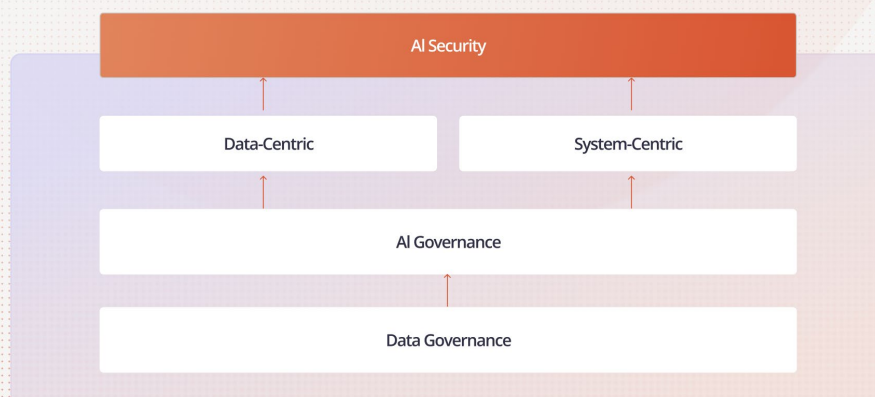


PILLAR 3

AI Security

Security spans both dimensions and depends on upstream data quality that the business, not the CISO, is responsible for. AI introduces threat surfaces that traditional cybersecurity frameworks cannot address, with a significant portion of exposure sitting with third-party vendors.

The AI Governance Stack



Why Coordination Matters

These three pillars are often governed in silos. The organisations that get AI governance right treat them as a single, coordinated programme with a single coordinating owner. Translating AI risk into financial terms is what turns governance from a compliance exercise into a business priority.

How Kovrr Helps

Kovrr's AI Security and Governance Platform spans both dimensions, connecting asset visibility, compliance readiness, risk scoring, and behavioural controls into a single, continuous view across the full AI environment. Each capability contextualises the others, so governance teams operate from one connected picture.

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