

Board Briefing — AI Exposure & Governance Risk

Board-level assessment of AI-related operational, legal, and strategic risk. Focus: model reliance duration, assumption expiry, and required executive decisions.

Alignment: NIST AI Risk Management Framework (GOVERN, MAP, MEASURE, MANAGE) and EU Artificial Intelligence Act Articles 9, 10, 13, 17, and 24.

Area	Board Question	EU AI Act Reference
Strategic Dependence	Do critical functions depend on AI models?	Art. 9
Model Opacity	Are decisions explainable to regulators?	Art. 13
Data Risk	Is sensitive data used in training or inference?	Art. 10
Model Agility	Can models be swapped without redesign?	Art. 9(2)(b)
Governance	Are AI decisions time-bound and reviewed?	Art. 17

Tier-1 AI System Exposure Register (Template)

Supports EU AI Act Articles 9, 17, and 24 by documenting AI system purpose, exposure surface, and fallback capability.

Tier-1 System	AI Use	Model Type	Externally Exposed	Fallback Capability	Notes
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AI Assumption Register

Fulfills EU AI Act Article 9 risk identification and Article 17 documentation requirements. Undocumented assumptions constitute unmanaged regulatory risk.

Assumption	Applies To	Expiration Date	Owner	Status
Model accuracy acceptable	Tier-1 Decisions			Accept / Replace
Vendor stability assured	Critical Vendors			Accept / Challenge

Required Executive Decisions & Attestation

Decisions constitute executive accountability under EU AI Act Articles 9, 17, and 24 and may be produced in response to regulatory inquiry or audit.

Decision Item	Approve / Reject	Notes
Define acceptable AI use by data class (Art. 10)		
Set Tier-1 AI risk review deadlines (Art. 9)		
Mandate AI transparency standards (Art. 13)		
Deprecate non-governable AI systems (Art. 17)		

Executive Attestation

Role	Name	Signature	Date
CEO			
CISO			
CIO			
General Counsel			
Board Risk Chair			

Risk Acceptance Effective Date: _____

Risk Acceptance Expiration Date: _____

Next Mandatory Review Date: _____