Agenda for the EU Summer School 2025

"Harnessing AI: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Challenges and Innovation"

Organized by YCS Team and EYCA Kosovo in partnership with the University of Pristina

📅 25th to 28th of June 2025

📍 *University of Prishtina, Amphitheatre of Faculty of Philology*

📝 *Note to participants: Please bring your own laptop*

Objectives:

- Explore the evolving capabilities and limitations of AI in diverse sectors.
- Identify ethical, legal, and social challenges posed by AI adoption.
- Understand the implications of AI for cybersecurity and digital sovereignty.
- Foster interdisciplinary collaboration on inclusive, secure, and transparent AI systems.
- Promote critical engagement with AI tools and techniques among young scholars.

Day 1 (Wednesday) – Introduction & Real-World Applications of AI

Morning Session

09:00 – 09:30
Registration and Welcome

09:30 – 10:00
Welcoming speech and moderation of the event:
Andrra Nurkollari, EYCA Kosovo President

Opening Remarks:

Prof. Arben Hajrullahu, Rector of the University of Pristina
Bardhyl Dobra, Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs, Kosovo Government
Florim Canolli, Director of the Development Cooperation Office, Office of the Prime Minister, Kosovo Government
Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Office in Kosovo
Prof. Nikolaos Panagiotou, Senior Expert, YCS Programme in Kosovo

10:00 – 10:45
Opening Lecture: "AI in Kosovo"
Speaker: **Agron Dida**, Founder of ZgjoiAI – "AI teaching assistant for students and teachers"

11:00 – 12:30
AI for Personal Efficiency and Self-Employment
Speaker: **Korab Gashi**, Blogger, Content Creator

Afternoon Session

13:30 – 15:00
Legal Framework for AI
Speaker: **Marta Katz-Turi**, Senior Legal Advisor for the Ministry of Justice of Hungary

15:15 – 16:00
AI & Administrative Reform: Rethinking Agencies and Reducing Burden for Smarter Government
Speaker: **Kushtrim Canolli**, Administrative Burden Reduction Coordinator, Kosovo Government

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Day 2 (Thursday) – Ethics, Privacy & AI Governance

Morning Session

09:30 – 10:30
Deriving Value from AI for Public Management
Speaker: **Catalina Stefanescu-Kund**, Professor of Management Science / Faculty Lead, Master in Analytics and Artificial Intelligence, ESMT Berlin

11:00 – 12:30
AI and Democracy: Reflexive Control and Manipulation
Speaker: **Jacob Udo-Udo Jacob**, Panitza Memorial Endowed Executive Director of the Center for Information, Democracy, and Citizenship. American University in Bulgaria

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Afternoon Session

13:30 – 14:30
Ethics, Privacy and Accountability in AI Regulation
Speakers/Moderators: **Erza Arifi**, Legal Associate, RPHS Law / LLM in Law & Technology, Utrecht University and **Rina Mehana**, Legal Advisor to the Rector, University of Pristina / LLM in IP & Telecom Law, University of Colorado.

14:30 – 16:00
AI in Practice: Tools for Public Sector Transformation
Speaker: **Catalina Stefanescu-Kund**, Professor of Management Science / Faculty Lead, Master in Analytics and Artificial Intelligence, ESMT Berlin

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Day 3 (Friday) – AI in Education & Media

Morning Session

09:00 – 11:00
Group Work: Using AI to innovate daily operations or business ideas
Moderator: **Art Jashari**, EYCA Kosova Board Member

11:00 – 12:30
AI's Impact on Education
Confirmed speaker: **Erwan Paitel**, State administrator, Inspector General of Education, Sport and Research, France

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Afternoon Session

13:30 – 14:30
Workshop: Generative AI Tools for Business, Media & Public Sector
Moderator: **Tanzer Abazi**, Cybersecurity Consultant and Innovator

15:00 – 16:30
Public Roundtable: AI and Journalism in Kosovo
Panelists: **Hyrije Mehmeti**, Action for Democratic Society and Hibrid.info; **Kreshnik Gashi**, BIRN and Kallxo.com; and **Merita Miftari,** Gazeta Express and Lecturer at Universum International College. Moderator: **Rinor Hoxha**, YSC Programme Alumnus

Day 4 (Saturday) – Cybersecurity, Synthesis & Future Directions

Morning Session

09:00 – 10:30
Workshop Continuation: Practical Tools with Generative AI
Moderator: **Tanzer Abazi,** Cybersecurity Consultant and Innovator

11:00 – 12:30
Group Project Presentations: AI Solutions for Daily Operations & Business Innovation
Moderator: **Venera Maksuti**, EYCA Kosova Board Member

Closing Session

12:30 – 13:30
Closing Remarks & Certificate Ceremony
Open-air event at the University of Pristina Campus

Methodology:

- Lectures by leading scholars and practitioners
- Workshops on ethical tools, cybersecurity, and AI applications
- Simulations to model misinformation and digital crises
- Group Projects for collaborative innovation
- Public Engagement through roundtables and open debates

Expected Takeaways:

- Critical understanding of interdisciplinary AI challenges
- Practical exposure to ethical and cybersecurity tools
- Policy insights on AI governance and sustainability
- A collaborative community of emerging AI thinkers