

Responsible AI in agentic software development (RAIASD)

ID RAIASD Price CHF 750.—(excl. VAT) Duration 1 day

Who should attend

All people involved in using agentic AI tools in software development

Prerequisites

General development

Course Objectives

- Understand various aspects of responsible AI
- How to use generative AI responsibly in software development
- Prompt engineering for optimal outcomes
- How to apply generative AI throughout the SDLC
- The challenges in using agentic GenAI

Course Content

A brief history of Artificial Intelligence

- The origins of AI
- Neural networks and “probability engines”
- Early ML coding tools
- The AI coding revolution of the 2020s

Responsible AI

- What is responsible AI?
- Accountability and transparency
- Mitigation of harmful bias
- Validity and reliability
- Demonstration – Experimenting with validity and reliability in Copilot
- Explainability and interpretability
- Safety, security, privacy and resilience
- Security and responsible AI in software development

Using GenAI responsibly in software development

- LLM code generation basics
- Basic building blocks and concepts

- Prompt templating
- System prompts in AI-driven coding
- Can AI... boost your productivity?
- Can AI... take care of the ‘boring parts’?
- Can AI... be more thorough?
- Reviewing generated code – the black box blues
- The danger of hallucinations
- The effect of GenAI on programming skills
- Some further long-term effects of using GenAI
- Where AI code generation doesn’t do well
- Prompt engineering
 - Why is a good prompt so important?
 - Establishing the context for generative AI
 - Zero-shot, one-shot, and few-shot prompting
 - Reasoning-based prompt engineering, chain-of-thought
 - Demonstration – Experimenting with prompts in Copilot
 - Enforcing and following token limits
 - Prompt patterns
 - Prompt patterns and prompt priming
 - The 6 categories of prompt patterns
 - Some further prompting approaches
 - Least-to-Most and Self-Planning: decomposition of complex tasks
 - Demonstration – Task decomposition with Copilot
 - Unit tests, TDD and GenAI
 - Demonstration – Test-based code generation with Copilot
- Integrating generative AI into the SDLC
 - Using GenAI beyond code generation
 - Using AI during requirements specification
 - Prompt patterns for requirements capturing
 - Prompt patterns for software design
 - Demonstration – Requirements capturing and API design with Copilot
 - Using AI during implementation
 - Prompt patterns for implementation
 - Demonstration – Finding hidden assumptions with Copilot
 - Using AI during testing and QA
- Agentic software development
 - Intelligent agents and GenAI
 - How is agentic coding different?
 - The Model Context Protocol (MCP)
 - Capabilities of MCP agents

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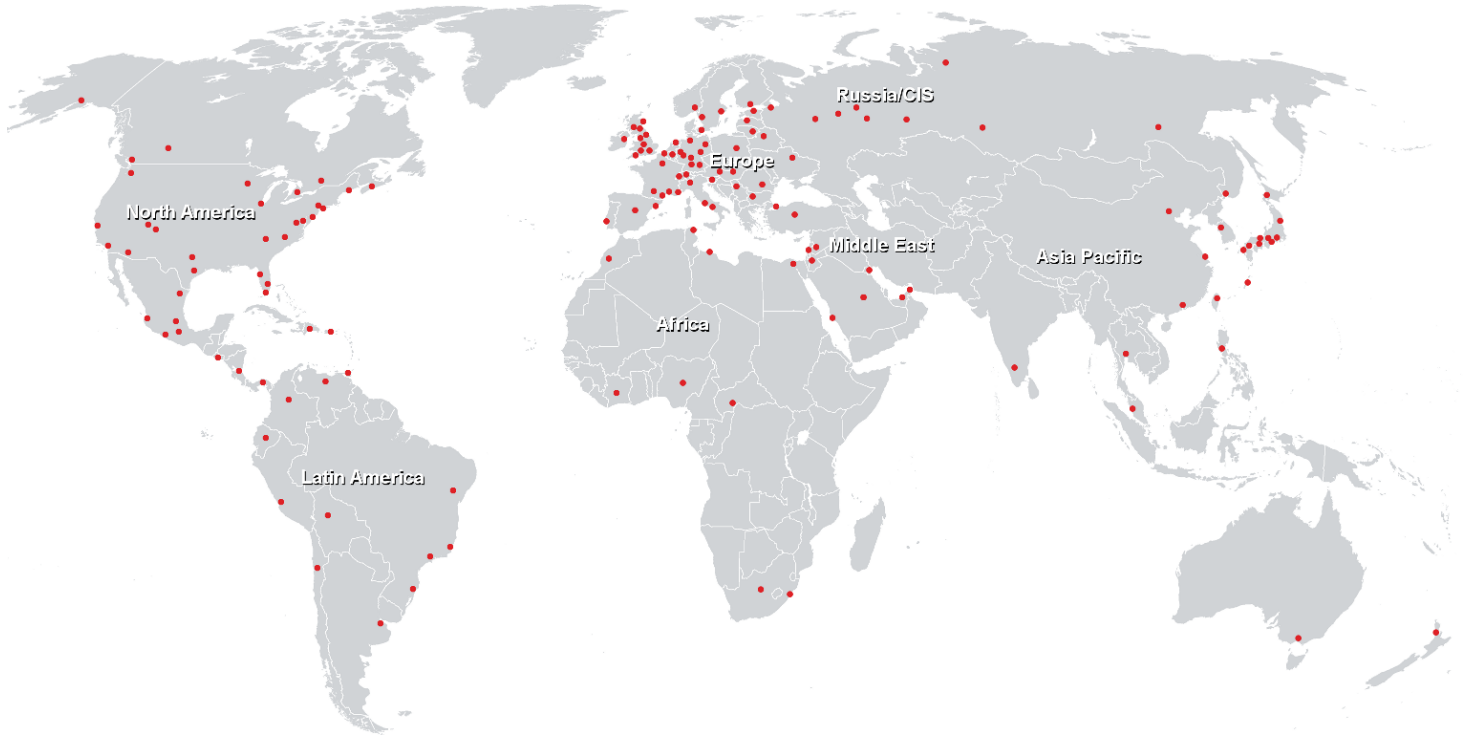
- Agentic integration in IDEs
- Agentic development workflow
 - Code-to-spec and spec-to-code with GenAI
 - Automated scaffolding
 - Demonstration – Agentic scaffolding with Copilot
 - Setting up the runtime environment
 - Demonstration – Environment setup with Copilot
 - Incremental development
 - Demonstration – Incremental development with Copilot
 - The role of MCP in Dev(Sec)Ops
 - Demonstration – Using MCP in DevOps with Copilot
- Pitfalls and best practices
 - “Vibe coding” and its implications
 - Engineering concerns with MCP
 - Security concerns of agentic development
 - MCP’s effect on the attack surface
 - MCP-specific attack vectors
 - Demonstration – Attacking agentic Copilot
 - Case study – Database leakage via Supabase MCP
 - Hallucinations and ‘agentic death spirals’
 - Token limits and context
 - Context degradation with very large token counts
 - Prompt engineering vs context engineering
 - Context engineering from a developer’s perspective
 - Context document examples

Summary and takeaways

- Responsible AI principles in software development
- Generative AI – Resources and additional guidance

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