

AI Training for National Patent Offices

Programme | 12 October – 20 November 2026

Format - **Online course**

Seminar reference - **OV01-2026**

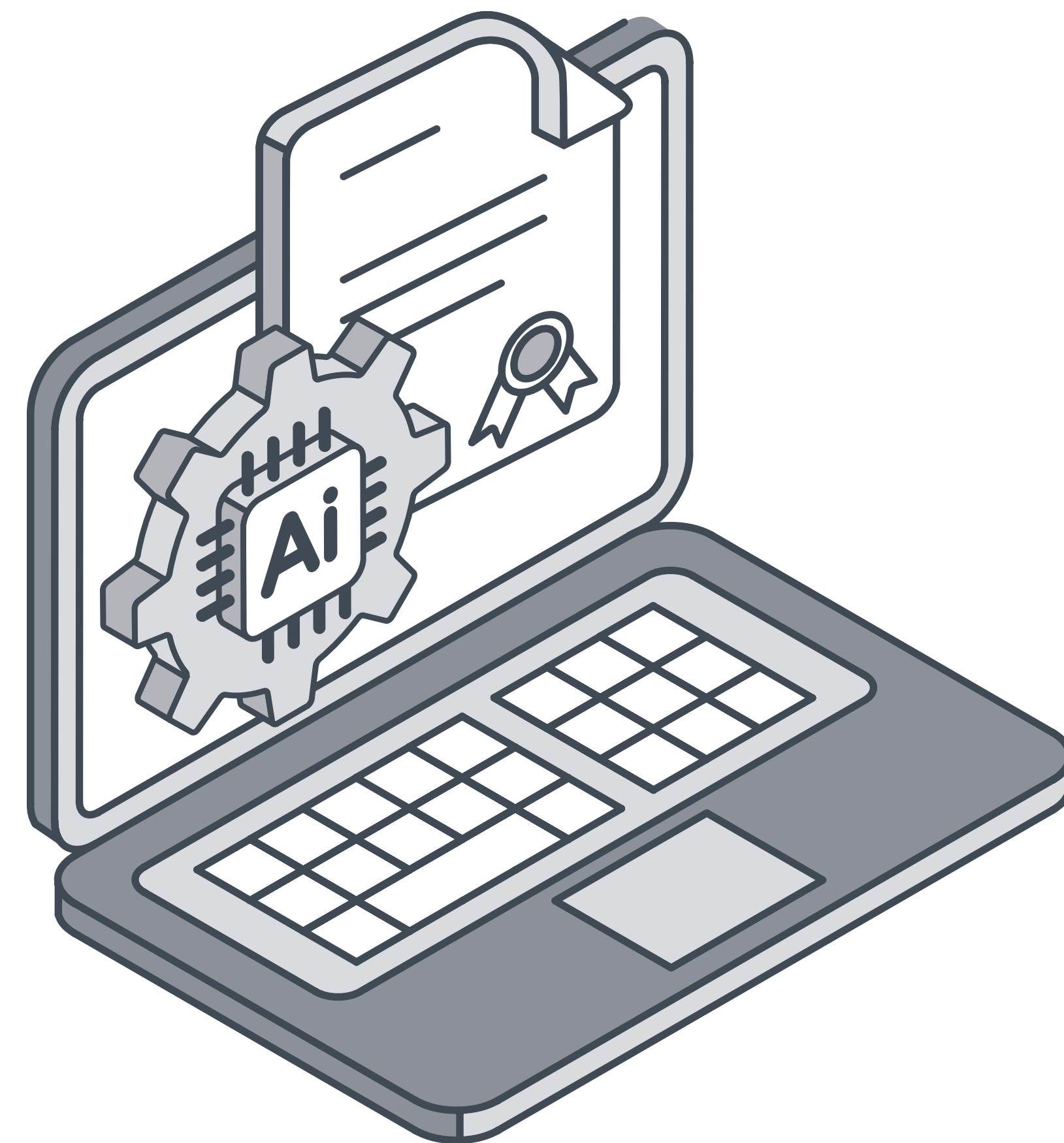
Level - **Entry level**

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Description

This online course helps participants build the skills and confidence to work with AI by combining complementary forms of learning. Through self-paced modules, expert-led lectures and interactive hands-on sessions, participants explore AI in a safe and supportive environment and learn how AI is a practical skill developed through use, reflection and exchange with others.

The programme consists of three elements:

- The AI Explorer Pass provides the theoretical foundation: Through four self-paced learning and a knowledge check quiz, participants are introduced to the essential concepts of AI, including key capabilities, limitations and responsible use in everyday work. Completing these learning modules is recommended before attending the live lectures.
- The online lectures deepen participants' understanding through expert perspectives on topics such as AI in action, responsible AI and future developments. The lectures are recorded and made available in the course room for later review. Each lecture concludes with a non-recorded Q&A session, giving participants the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussion. The sessions are recorded.
- The Knowledge Nuggets focus on practical application of AI using Copilot: The six short, interactive online sessions demonstrate how AI can support everyday tasks, including communication, content creation, analysis, knowledge management, prompting and the use of AI agents. The sessions are not recorded.

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Together, the self-paced, live and practical elements create a learning journey that moves from awareness and understanding to experimentation and application.

Throughout the course, participants will be supported by tutors and can exchange ideas and comments in a forum. Upon completion of the course, including the knowledge-check quiz and feedback survey, participants will receive a certificate of completion.

Technical requirements

The online sessions will be held on Zoom.

Duration

11 hours of online sessions, 2 hours of self-study

12–16 October

Self-paced learning modules

The AI Explorer Pass

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**Friday,
16 October**

Online lectures

Times are indicated in CEST

09.50 Zoom link activated

10.00 AI Demystified

- How AI and generative AI are integrated into our everyday work
- What you need to know about the limitations and risks of generative AI

11.30 End of the session

EPO speaker:

Alexander Klenner-Bajaja, EPO Team Manager, Data Science

Wednesday, 21 October

Times are indicated in CEST

09.50 Zoom link activated

10.00 AI in Action

- How do the free and subscription versions differ? And what are agents?
- How does Copilot work?
- What are its components, what data can it access and how secure is it?

11.30 End of the session

EPO speakers:

Diego Eguidazu Alonso, EPO CIO

Caroline Demoëte, EPO IT Director, Corporate Collaboration and Support

Mario Sainz Martinez, EPO Advisor, Performance and Process Office

**Monday,
26 October**

Times are indicated in CET

09.50 Zoom link activated

10.00 Using AI Smartly and Securely

- AI-related security risks
- Best practices for confident and secure use of AI
- What to do if something goes wrong

11.30 End of the session

EPO speakers:

François Lorho, EPO Cybersecurity specialist, Information Security

Eric Volking, EPO Cybersecurity specialist, Information Security

Kerem Büke, EPO Team Manager, Information Security

**Thursday,
29 October**

Times are indicated in CET

09.50 Zoom link activated

10.00 Responsible AI in Practice

- A risk-based approach to AI
- Responsible AI principles
- The impact of AI on data protection.

11.30 End of the session

EPO speakers:

Simona Barbieri, EPO Director, Data Protection Office

Enis Abazovic, EPO Solution architect, Digital Collaboration and Productivity

Flora Tomasoni, EPO examiner, Fluid Mechanics & Horology

**Friday,
30 October**

Times are indicted in CET

09.50 Zoom link activated

10.00 What is next?

11.30 End of the session

EPO speaker:

Sonia Pérez Díez, EPO Principal director, Online User Engagement and IT Cooperation

“Knowledge Nuggets” – Practical online sessions

Times are indicted in CET

**Monday,
2 November**

- 09.50 Zoom link activated**
- 10.00 Getting started with Copilot**
- 11.00 End of the session**

**Wednesday,
4 November**

- 09.50 Zoom link activated**
- 10.00 Meetings and Communication with Teams and Outlook**
- 11.00 End of the session**

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Friday,
6 November

- 09.50 Zoom link activated
- 10.00 Creating and Analysing content with Copilot
- 11.00 End of the session

Monday,
9 November

- 09.50 Zoom link activated
- 10.00 Knowledge management with Copilot
- 11.00 End of the session

Monday,
16 November

Times are indicted in CET

- 09.50 Zoom link activated
- 10.00 Enhance your communication with AI
- 11.00 End of the session

Wednesday,
18 November

- 09.50 Zoom link activated
- 10.00 AI Agents
- 11.00 End of the session

EPO tutors:
Enis Abazovic, EPO Solution architect, Digital Collaboration and Productivity
Laurent Pierret, EPO Technical application owner, Digital collaboration and productivity
Philippe Brouillard, EPO Systems engineer, Digital collaboration and productivity
Tunahan Günal, EPO Young professional, Digital collaboration and productivity
Anna Juda, EPO Online manager, Channel Management