

AI Governance for CEOs



Applying NIST within your organisation

AI can improve business capacity while introducing new risks. As CEO, you need clear ownership, defined limits and evidence that each system is fit for its intended use. Growth Architect helps translate those decisions into practical requirements for your leadership team and implementation partners.



What NIST means for your business

The US National Institute of Standards and Technology developed the voluntary [AI Risk Management Framework](#). It supports risk management throughout AI design, deployment, use and retirement. Its four functions work together and are revisited as systems and circumstances change.

Function	Your executive responsibility
Govern	Set accountability, policies, approval authority and acceptable risk.
Map	Define the purpose, people affected, data, dependencies and potential harms.
Measure	Require testing of performance and relevant risks in the intended business setting.
Manage	Decide whether to proceed; control, monitor, respond to and retire systems.



Where this applies

Include AI embedded in purchased software, staff tools, customer interactions, agents and automated workflows. Match oversight to potential harm and operational authority; a drafting assistant needs different scrutiny from a system influencing hiring or taking actions across customer records. A successful demonstration alone does not establish readiness.



How Growth Architect partners with your organisation

We work with your CEO and leadership team to identify useful AI applications, map their exposure and agree what they may access or do. We translate those decisions into a prioritised implementation brief, ownership and approval requirements, and a governance record for each initiative.

We fit this work into your existing risk register, privacy and security policies, supplier review, change approvals and incident procedures. Your organisation retains decision authority, technical, legal, privacy and sector specialists contribute where required. The engagement defines who implements, tests and monitors each control.



Start with one AI initiative

Use the companion CEO Action Sheet to record purpose, ownership, data and access, risks and controls, validation, and operations. Bring the completed record to Growth Architect to identify gaps and plan the next steps with your team.

Discuss your AI governance priorities with Growth Architect at growtharchitect.com.au.

This sixpart record is Growth Architect's application of NIST guidance, not an official NIST template or certification. Using J-1 does not establish legal compliance; applicable obligations require separate assessment.

Source: NIST AI RMF 1.0 and AI RMF Playbook | nist.gov/it/ai-risk-management-framework