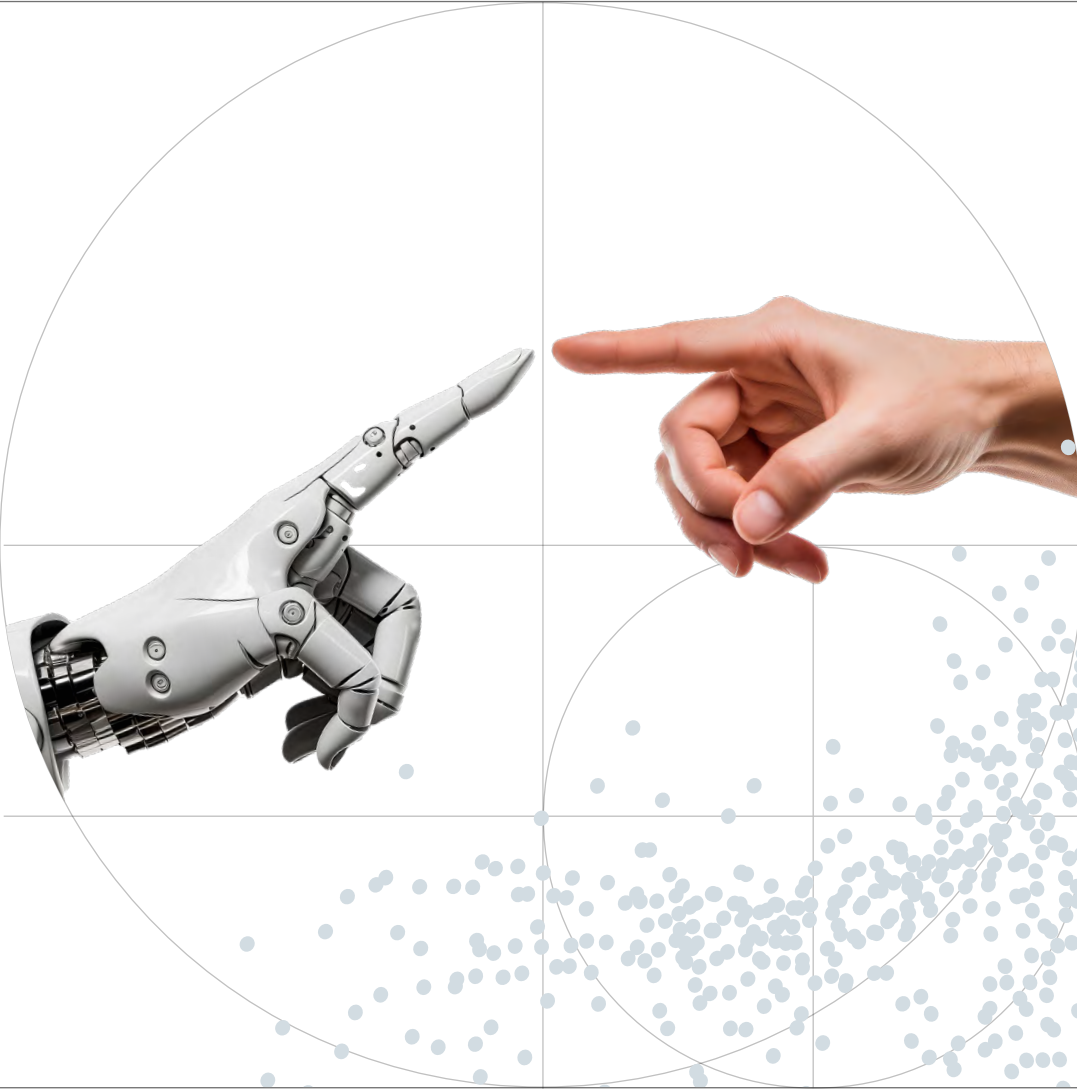


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“The UAE is a nation that pursues innovation, with its people at the forefront of progress. Lifelong learning is the fuel that propels our nation forward.”

**His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan
President of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Abu Dhabi**

December 2023



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Join the UAE's most ambitious and elite leaders in shaping the nation's AI-driven future.

Snapshot



Registration deadline

Sunday,
16 March 2025



Orientation date

Saturday,
12 April 2025



Duration

16 weeks¹



Registration fee

AED 35,000

The MBZUAI Executive Program (MEP) is a 16-week, transformative AI program designed for visionary leaders in industry and government.

Hosted by MBZUAI, the world's first graduate-level AI university, the program brings together world-class instructors and a collaborative pedagogy to help leaders tap into AI-driven opportunities and address issues of national priority.

Now in its sixth edition, MEP has over 200 distinguished alumni, including undersecretaries, ambassadors, CEOs, and director generals. These leaders have become champions of AI innovation in the UAE and beyond.

The sixth cohort will be only the second to experience the newly-enhanced curriculum, featuring new modules and scope, to help keep pace with the rapidly evolving AI landscape.



¹ While the program spans 16 weeks, sessions are held exclusively on Saturdays, covering 10 modules throughout the period.

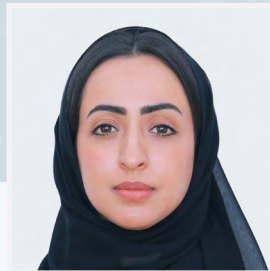
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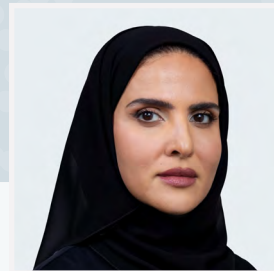
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President & CEO
UAE Independent Climate
Change Accelerators
MEP Cohort 03



H.E. Sheikh Mohammed Al Maktoum
UAE Ambassador to Sweden
MEP Cohort 01



Sheikha Noora Al Shamsi
Head of Leadership Training
Ministry of Education
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H.E. Alia Al Mazrouei
Minister of State for
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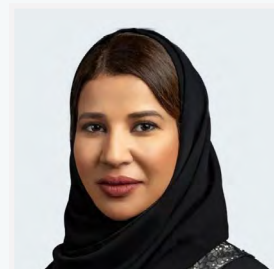
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Head of Cyber Security
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Director General
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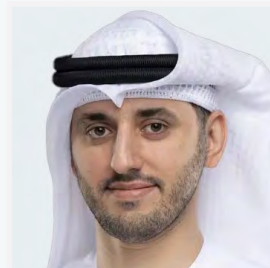
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Etihad Credit Insurance
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Undersecretary
Department of Energy
Abu Dhabi Government
MEP Cohort 04



H.E. Dr. Mohamed Al Askar
Director General
TAMM
Abu Dhabi Government
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H.E. Nadia Al Thaibani
Executive Director
Common Digital Platforms
Department of Government
Enablement
Abu Dhabi Government
MEP Cohort 05

What to **expect?**

We convene the UAE's most visionary executives, guiding them through a forward-looking curriculum led by the world's most formidable instructors. Each cohort will benefit from local visits to organizations pioneering the use of AI across the Emirates and work alongside other leading executives to drive AI solutions that address issues of national priority.

By bridging global expertise with local ambition, we provide our participants with the tools and knowledge not only to address today's challenges but also to spearhead tomorrow's breakthroughs.

Our sixth cohort will benefit from our recently-enhanced curriculum, built around **four key chapters.**

1

AI and its Current Paradigm Shift:

AI Past, Present, and Future

2

AI Fundamentals:

Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision, and Robotics

3

AI-Driven Industry Transformations:

Healthcare, Technology, Climate/Energy, and Smart-Cities

4

AI Strategy, Policymaking, and Ethics:

AI Policymaking and Ethics, Business and Strategy

Instructors at a glance

Each year, we curate a distinguished lineup of the world's most pioneering AI experts, bringing them to Abu Dhabi to impart cutting-edge insights alongside our leading faculty at MBZUAI. Some of our previous instructors include;



Professor Michael Jordan
UC Berkeley



Professor Raj Reddy
Carnegie Mellon University



Professor Sami Haddadin
MBZUAI



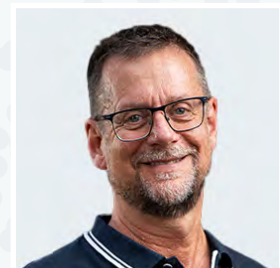
Professor Eric Xing
MBZUAI



Professor Bernhard Schölkopf
ETH Zurich



Dr. Xuedong Huang
Zoom Inc



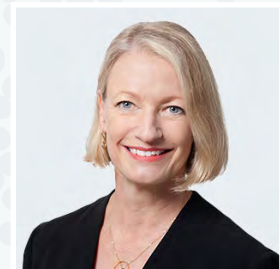
Professor Ian Reid
MBZUAI



Professor Takeo Kanade
Carnegie Mellon University



Professor Daniela Rus
MIT



Professor Elizabeth Churchill
MBZUAI

MEP Agenda

Chapter	Module Name	Date	Delivery Mode*	Timing**
Orientation		Saturday, 12 April 2025	In-Person	10:00-16:00
Chapter 1: AI and its Current Paradigm Shift	Module 01	Saturday, 19 April 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
Chapter 2: AI Fundamentals	Module 02	Saturday, 3 May 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
	Module 03	Saturday, 17 May 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
Idea Launchpad	Company Visit & Innovation Session	Saturday, 24 May 2025	In-Person	10:00-16:00
Chapter 3: AI-Driven Industry Transformations	Module 04	Saturday, 14 June 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
	Module 05	Saturday, 21 June 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
Chapter 4: AI Strategy, Policymaking, and Ethics	Module 06	Saturday, 5 July 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
	Module 07	Saturday, 12 July 2025	In-Person	10:00-17:00
Idea Launchpad	Capstone Projects Pitch	Saturday, 26 July 2025	In-Person	10:00-15:00

* All of the above scheduled sessions are mandatory to attend.

** All timings are subject to change before the orientation.

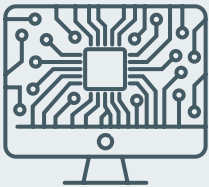


Why you should join?



Unparalleled learning experience

Gain cutting-edge insights through real-world case studies, simulations, and innovative strategies delivered by globally-recognized AI experts. Our instructors, drawn from the world's leading universities, including MBZUAI faculty, are some of the most decorated AI figures in the world.



Exclusive access to a premier AI network

Connect with CEOs, director generals, ambassadors, and undersecretaries shaping AI transformation in the UAE and beyond. Participate in invite-only gatherings and engage with influential leaders before and after the program.



Immersive site visits to pioneering institutions

Enhance your understanding of AI applications through exclusive site visits to organizations revolutionizing the use and application of AI systems here in the UAE. Examples of previous site visits include Abu Dhabi Ports, ADNOC, AI-Tamimi Group, Department of Government Enablement, DIFC FinTech Hive, Emirates Nuclear Energy Company/Nawah Energy Company, the Emirates Post Group, Injazat/G42, Maqta Gateway, and Prime Minister's Office and the Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority.

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Lead the UAE's ambitious AI strategy



Work with other executives during the program's Ideas Launchpad and help spur solutions to drive the nation's AI adoption. Previous Idea Launchpads have spawned innovations including FalconVision, an AI-powered app designed to detect athletic potential in children aged six to 14, and Ain Abu Dhabi, an AI-driven smart traffic management system that enhances road safety and reduces congestion.



Expert guidance and research implementation

Work with MBZUAI's top researchers and faculty to bring AI solutions to your organization. Collaborate with senior executives in the dedicated Idea Launchpad, leveraging AI to address nationally significant challenges.



More than a program

By joining the **MBZUAI Executive Program**, you are not just enrolling in a program; you are becoming a key member of an exclusive community of executives committed to innovation, leadership, and impact. This is your chance to help shape the future of AI in the UAE and world at large.

With over 200 distinguished graduates across five cohorts, the Executive Program has a 32% female to 68% male gender ratio, surpassing the industry average, and has spawned over 30 AI solutions.

The UAE continues to cement its status as a global leader; already ranking fifth in AI competitiveness². This program ensures that the nation's top minds are ready to operationalize AI capabilities and take the lead in this rapidly changing environment.

Take the next step in your leadership journey and unlock the potential of artificial intelligence now.



203
Graduates



34
AI Projects Generated



93%
Participant Evaluation Score



30
Instructors



Female

Male

32% **68%** Gender Ratio



29%
Undersecretaries and Director Generals



34%
Executive Directors and C-suite



37%
Directors and Others



67%
Government (Federal / Local)



33%
Industry, NGOs and Startups

² 2024 Global AI Vibrancy Rankings, Stanford University

Is this program for you?

Each class represents a carefully curated cohort of exceptional leaders. We shortlist a diverse group of decision-makers and strategists, typically with at least **10 years professional experience** and with a demonstrable interest in unlocking AI transformation within their organizations.³

Most importantly, we seek leaders who will remain engaged in an exclusive community of executives dedicated to driving AI leadership in the UAE and globally.

Selection criteria:

1. Professional experience: more than 10 years of executive or leadership experience.
2. Visionary leadership: strategists and decision-makers, with a vision to drive AI transformations.
3. Exclusive community: a strong willingness to support a global network of executives committed to the responsible use of AI.

With limited spots, selections will be made on a rolling basis, with **applications set to close on Sunday, 16 March 2025**. The program officially launches on **Saturday, 12 April 2025**.



³ In rare and exceptional circumstances, we may consider extremely high potential candidates with fewer than 10 years of experience.

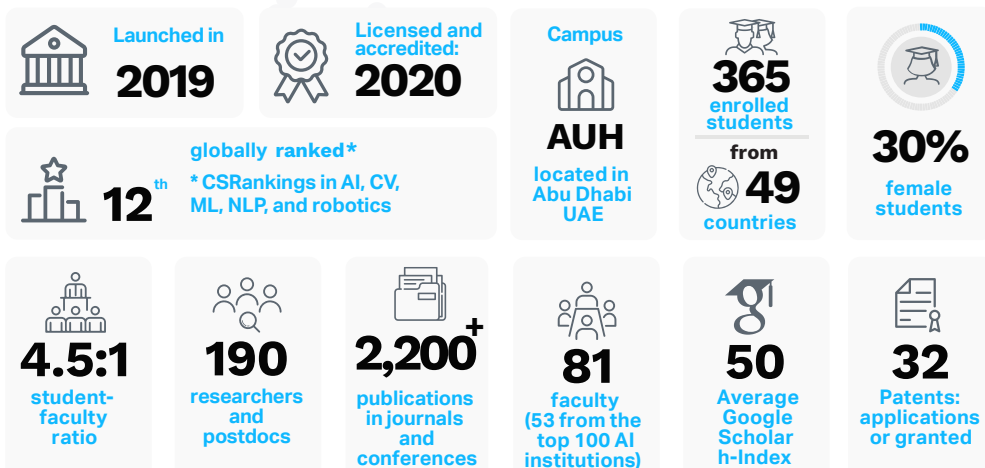
About MBZUAI

Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI) is a graduate research University dedicated to advancing AI as a global force for humanity. UAE's visionary leaders established MBZUAI to educate and develop top talent, foster an innovation ecosystem, and act as a strategic think tank for the public and private sectors.

The University has a vital role to play in many of the UAE government's strategic objectives, with AI identified as a critical component for future growth and prosperity. MBZUAI's own strategic vision and mission work in parallel to position Abu Dhabi as a hub for the international AI community.

The university attracts world-class thinkers and doers in computer vision, machine learning, natural language processing, and beyond. Our groundbreaking academic and research initiatives are working on developing future solutions that will impact the world and change the way that we imagine things.

MBZUAI quick facts



Take the leap. Apply now



Register Now

Ready to take part in this transformative journey? Applications close on **Sunday, 16 March 2025**. Don't miss your chance to be part of this exclusive cohort.

Registrations Open: Wednesday, 22 January 2025

Registrations Close: Sunday, 16 March 2025

Orientation Date: Saturday, 12 April 2025

Tuition Fee: AED 35,000 (exclusive VAT) per participant.

Do you know an executive who could benefit from advancing their expertise in AI? Nominate them to participate on your behalf. Email us at ep@mbzuai.ac.ae to submit your nomination.

Contact us

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