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Cyber Security Global Alliance Launches the World's First Independent AI Governance Research Institute, powered by the Council for the Safety of Artificial Intelligence (CSOAI) Ltd. (UK); Combining Cybersecurity AI Testing, AI Validation, Human-AI Benchmarks, a 40-Nation Deployment Recipe Model.

The New Institute will independently test all major AI systems against human baselines, creating the world's first Human vs AI Governance Performance Database, ready to deploy across 22 sectors and 40 nations globally.

Cyber Security Global Alliance (CSGA) and the Council for the Safety of Artificial Intelligence (CSOAI) today announced the collaborative launch of the CSGA Cyber AI Research Institute, powered by CSOAI Ltd (UK), the world's first independent research body combining AI governance standards with operational cybersecurity testing. The institute will conduct continuous, independent assessment of all major AI large language models (LLMs) for governance compliance, whilst simultaneously establishing human performance baselines, creating an unprecedented comparative database that no other organization globally is developing.

The CSGA CYBER AI RESEARCH INSTITUTE, powered by CSOAI Ltd (UK) addresses a critical gap in the global AI ecosystem: the absence of independent, external testing of AI systems for governance compliance. Currently, AI companies assess their own systems, the equivalent of students marking their own exams, with the EU AI Act enforcement beginning on August 2, 2026, and NATO member states requiring AI governance assessors, the need for trusted, independent evaluation has never been more urgent. Our Research Institute fills this gap with a unique combination of governance frameworks, cybersecurity infrastructure, and multi-model benchmark testing.

Our Research Institute represents five global firsts in AI governance research:

First: The first research institute to combine cybersecurity testing with AI governance standards, bridging the gap between security operations and governance policy.

Second: The first independent external testing body for AI companies, providing the kind of independent assessment that regulators, insurers, and governments require.

Third: The first to test both human benchmarks and AI benchmarks together, establishing human baselines for governance tasks and comparing them against AI performance. This creates the world's first Human vs AI Governance Performance Database.

Fourth: The first to continuously benchmark ALL major AI LLMs (33+ models including Claude, Copilot, Chat GPT, Gemini, Llama, Qwen, and Grok) for governance compliance through the proprietary Byzantine Council system.

Fifth: The "CSGA Cyber AI Research Institute, powered by CSOAI Ltd (UK)" is the first research institute that is ready for a 40-nation governance deployment, with twenty-two active sector certification programs spanning into defence, aerospace, finance, healthcare, energy, legal, and 16 additional sectors.

Central to the institute's capabilities is the Byzantine Council, a proprietary multi-model AI testing system that simultaneously evaluates 33 large language models against CSOAI's 52-Article Governance Framework. Named after the Byzantine fault-tolerance concept from distributed computing, the Council provides consensus-based governance scoring that no single AI company can manipulate. This represents a paradigm shift from self-assessment to independent, continuous, automated governance evaluation.

The institute operates within a complete 7-Layer AI Governance Stack, believed to be the only such integrated system globally. The stack spans constitutional frameworks and legal governance (Layer 7), through standards and certification (Layer 6), security operations (Layer 5), compliance and regulatory mapping (Layer 4), independent evaluation (Layer 3), research and intelligence (Layer 2), to workforce education and certification (Layer 1).

This end-to-end approach enables organizations to achieve comprehensive AI governance through a single, integrated ecosystem.

The institute, through its CASA (Certified AI Sector Accreditation) program, will enable organizations across 22 certified sectors, including defence, aerospace, maritime, finance, autonomous vehicles, healthcare, energy, space, legal, and education, supporting the creation of over 409,000 potential AI governance jobs by Year 5.

A cornerstone of the institute's approach is its open-access training platform, which will be made available as a free governance education resource across all 40 DSRB nations. The platform, which has already demonstrated a demand with interest of 4,500+ potential enrolments, will serve as both a workforce development engine and a research data collection instrument, generating anonymized governance intelligence from thousands of practitioners worldwide.

James Castle, Chairperson for Cyber Security Global Alliance, and Director for CSOAI, added, "*What makes this institute different from every other AI governance initiative is that we combine the governance standards with actual cybersecurity testing infrastructure. Governance without security is just paperwork. Security without governance is just firefighting. Together, through our partnership ecosystem, we deliver the complete stack that governments and enterprises actually need*."

Nicholas Templeman, CEO for CSOAI, and Director for Cyber Security Global Alliance, said: "*For too long, AI companies have been marking their own homework on governance and safety. The* CSGA Cyber AI Research Institute, powered by CSOAI Ltd (UK) *changes that fundamentally. We're building the world's only truly independent testing and benchmarking system that evaluates ALL major AI models, not just one, against both human performance baselines and governance standards, including validation. The EU AI Act, NATO requirements, and the sheer pace of AI deployment demand exactly this kind of independent oversight, and we're ready to deliver it across 40 nations and 22 major sectors that are about to be disrupted*."

ABOUT Cyber Security Global Alliance (CSGA):

Cyber Security Global Alliance (CSGA) is a Canadian-registered (globally recognized) non-profit membership-based organization dedicated to cybersecurity, defence, cyber education, AI governance accreditation, validation, and workforce development, with over 95,000 active subscribers. CSGA provides the accreditation infrastructure for AI governance certification programs worldwide. For more information: https://csga-global.com

ABOUT Council for the Safety of Artificial Intelligence (CSOAI):

The Council for the Safety of Artificial Intelligence (CSOAI) is a UK-registered company focused on developing and implementing AI governance standards globally. CSOAI has created the 52-Article AI Governance Framework and 22 sector-specific CASA certification programs ready to be deployed across all nations. For more information: https://csoai.org

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. The EU AI Act, which includes penalties of up to €35 million or 7% of global revenue, begins enforcement on August 2, 2026

2. An estimated 71-125 additional Conformity Assessment Bodies are needed across the EU

3. The global AI Governance Tools market is projected to reach $27.2 billion by 2030

4. The institute has already published two white papers with initial benchmark data from the Byzantine Council system, expected by Q2.

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