Gartner Identity & Access Management Summit

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Reshaping Identity for the AI Era

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Evolve your IAM program to effectively govern AI in 2026

Discover practical strategies at the intersection of IAM and AI, with analyst insights on IAM program management, authentication, PAM, IGA, IAM architecture, tools and more.

The AI revolution is transforming how organizations operate and stay secure. While many are deploying AI agents to boost productivity and automate work, these efforts can't securely scale without a strong IAM foundation. IAM itself must evolve, using AI to strengthen governance and defend against AI-driven threats.

Gartner Identity & Access Management Summit 2026 equips IAM leaders and professionals with practical strategies at the intersection of IAM and AI, alongside analyst insights on core topics such as IAM program management, authentication, PAM, IGA, IAM architecture, tools and more.

Get answers to pressing questions on top challenges and priorities:

IAM for agentic AI. Define, govern and secure AI agent identities, enforce least privilege and apply fine-grained authorization policies in large and complex AI agent deployments.

Machine IAM and nonhuman identities. Manage life cycle, access and governance for machines, workloads, service accounts and APIs.

Aligning IAM strategy with cybersecurity strategy. Align IAM priorities, architectures and investments with zero trust, risk management and business outcomes.

IAM program and strategy. Build and sustain an IAM program with clear governance, roadmaps, metrics and executive alignment while delivering business value.

Privileged access management (PAM). Modernize PAM with just-in-time access, better visibility and integrations with IGA and zero trust to secure human and machine identities.

What's new for 2026

- **Visibility and observability content covering identity visibility and intelligence platforms (IVIPs).** Explore how identity data platforms and intelligence help reduce risk, support compliance, lower costs and drive smarter, value-based decisions.
- **Spotlight track: Artificial Intelligence.** Explore how organizations can securely adopt, govern and scale AI. Sessions cover AI agents, agentic IAM, AI security, governance, identity, authorization and emerging risks, helping leaders enable innovation while maintaining trust, control and resilience.
- **Spotlight track: Identity Standards.** Modernize and simplify your identity strategy with practical guidance on building secure, scalable and standards-based IAM ecosystems.
- **Spotlight track: Machine Identity.** Learn strategies for machine IAM governance, identity architectures, automation, and access controls to reduce risk and build trust in increasingly autonomous digital environments.
- **Demonstrations and sessions led by OpenID.** The OpenID Foundation's Artificial Intelligence Identity Management Community Group (AIIM CG) will show that model context protocol (MCP) flows can be secured with open-identity standards.
- **Women in Identity Breakfast.** Join this networking opportunity for women in identity to discuss the journey, experiences and motivations for choosing and staying in the IAM field. This opportunity is open to all.
- **Expanded networking opportunities.** Collaborate and build impactful connections in Peer Meetups and networking breakfasts broken out into industry and topic-focused groups.
- **Solution provider villages.** Easily navigate the identity technology landscape with dedicated villages that categorize top solution providers. This year's villages include workforce identity, customer/partner identity, machine IAM, identity security and threat detection and start-up.

Who should attend

IAM leaders

- Heads of IAM
- IAM program managers
- IAM analysts
- IAM consultants
- IGA leads

IT, cybersecurity and risk leaders

- CISOs
- Security leaders
- Risk leaders
- Compliance leaders
- Business continuity/disaster recovery leaders
- IT governance leaders
- Application leaders

IAM architects, planners and technology professionals

- IAM architects
- Security architects
- Enterprise architects
- Engineers and developers

Attend 80+ research-backed, analyst-led sessions on the trends and technologies transforming IAM.

Mingle with 1,700+ fellow IAM and cybersecurity leaders in Peer Meetups, interactive sessions, meals and informal conversations.

Connect with 30+ top Gartner IAM and cybersecurity analysts to discuss priorities and validate your strategy.

Experience the latest technologies from 95+ leading solution providers in the Exhibit Showcase.

Get inspired by some of the best speakers in the world in innovative guest keynote sessions.

Learn from the successes of world-class peers at industry-leading organizations in Executive Story sessions.

Keynotes

Gartner keynotes

Nayara Sangiorgio
Principal Analyst

Zachary Smith
Director Analyst

Gartner Opening Keynote: Identity Unleashed
Identity has become the competitive edge organizations need to stay ahead in a volatile world. IAM is the foundational control plane for cybersecurity and the key driver of business value and trust.

Join this keynote to reimagine the future of IAM and what identity can do if we realize its full potential. This is your cue to unleash identity to secure your organization, fuel its ambitions and launch the future.

Dave Aron
Distinguished Vice President Analyst

Winning in a World Without Truth

Disinformation security is an exponentially growing and poorly addressed issue for almost all enterprises, and falls between the cracks of cyber, IAM, branding and so on. There are new tools and approaches that must be adopted to win in a world without truth.

Guest keynotes

Naomi Bagdonas
Lecturer in Management at the Stanford Graduate School of Business; Bestselling Author; Executive Advisor

Leading With Levity: How to Harness the Competitive Advantage of Improv and Humor, Seriously

In this provocative and entertaining guest keynote, Stanford lecturer and bestselling author Naomi Bagdonas explores the behavioral science of humor and the principles of improvisation to reveal a powerful, often-overlooked leadership edge. Humor isn't the opposite of seriousness; it's a fast track to trust, an antidote to fear and a spark for creativity when the stakes are high. Drawing from professional comedians and cutting-edge research, Naomi Bagdonas offers practical tools leaders can use to cultivate more agile teams, more joyful cultures, and more human organizations.

Magnus Lindkvist
Futurologist, Magnus Lindkvist AB

Leading Beyond the Buzzword Economy

This keynote explores the art and discipline of futurecraft: how leaders can separate signal from noise, prototype futures instead of predicting them and build cultures that transform uncertainty into momentum. It's a practical framework for moving from Wow! to Whoa! to Grow! — from hype to habit, from noise to usefulness. Inspired by the ideas in "How to Make AI Useful," Magnus Lindkvist reveals how to make progress itself a craft worth mastering.

Plan your experience

Sessions as of June 24, 2026, and subject to change

Tracks

A

IAM Leadership
A fresh approach to identity leadership is needed for the AI era. In this track, you'll learn how to update the way you build trust, manage authority and govern digital identity to boost both security and business success. Key topics include IAM strategy, program management, organizational alignment and positioning for the future.

B

Access Management, Authentication and Identity Verification
Access management enables secure and resilient access for anyone or anything to anywhere. This track explores new strategies and innovations empowering the creation of resilient, trustworthy digital journeys amid the ever-evolving threats posed by both human and artificial deceivers.

C

Identity Governance and Administration (IGA)
IGA must be reenvisioned to orchestrate and control not just human identities, but also the rising tide of machines and AI agents requiring access and oversight. This track describes new strategies for moving beyond administration time controls to runtime controls, focusing on the roles of authorization and accountability in establishing trust across your ecosystem.

D

Privileged Access Management (PAM)
As digital boundaries and AI-powered threats evolve, the need for just-in-time PAM becomes paramount. This track delves into innovative ways to effectively manage privilege control, ensuring that access is precisely granted and swiftly revoked, empowering resilience and agility in a landscape where trust must be meticulously earned and monitored.

E

Visibility and Observability
Identity visibility and intelligence platforms (IVIPs) unify IAM data across tools to provide clear visibility, actionable insights and automation. This enables stronger security, faster threat response, improved compliance and more informed, cost-effective decision making. This track explores how identity data platforms and intelligence help reduce risk, support compliance, lower costs and drive smarter, value-based decisions.

F

Cybersecurity and Enablement
This track explores how digitalization, zero trust, GenAI and cloud migration have made identity central to business and cybersecurity strategies. Learn how to bridge organizational priorities by understanding risks, engaging stakeholders and adopting human-centric approaches to enable business processes and defend against emerging threats.

Plan your experience (continued)

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Spotlight tracks

Artificial Intelligence
Discover how AI innovations can strengthen IAM and cybersecurity programs, how to defend against AI-generated threats and how organizations can support AI initiatives with robust security guidance and governance.

Identity Standards
Explore the latest developments in identity standards, and learn how to implement and integrate them to improve interoperability and security across systems. Leverage identity standards to streamline processes and ensure compliance in evolving digital environments.

Machine Identity
Discover best practices and tools for discovering and managing machine identities, entitlements, policies, secrets, keys and certificates across all environments, helping to reduce your organization's attack surface, improve its identity posture and ultimately minimize risk.

Technical Insights
Investigate technical designs, best practices and insights to help IAM and cybersecurity professionals create and implement effective architectures, solutions and processes.

"No other conference has me glued to my seat, session after session. The combination of insight, practical solutions, foundational education, predictions, solution provider interactions and thought-provoking ideas sends me home with actionable plans. ...Gartner is worth the investment and well worth the time."

Mary Ann Blair
CISO, CMU

Interact with analysts

Gartner one-on-one meeting*
Complimentary consulting with one Gartner analyst of your choice.

Ask the Analyst sessions*
Pose important questions to a Gartner analyst in an interactive, topic-driven session.

Keynotes
Let the experience of visionaries, innovators and renowned thought leaders inspire you — and reframe your thinking about IAM, cybersecurity, business and leadership.

Contract Negotiation Clinics
Gain Gartner insights, tactics and concrete guidance to help cost-optimize your assets and save money when you're preparing for vendor contract negotiations.

Network with peers

Roundtables*
Exchange ideas and best practices with your peers in sessions moderated by Gartner analysts.

Workshops*
Explore specific topics in small-scale, interactive sessions with a how-to focus.

Executive Stories
Accelerate your initiatives by sitting down with peers to hear their leadership stories, real-world challenges, success factors and lessons.

Social engagements
Unwind, learn from peer experiences and grow your network during planned Meetups, receptions and special events.

Exhibit Showcase

Show Floor
Use this interactive environment to gain insights from subject matter experts, explore new products and services and engage in peer-to-peer exchanges.

Solution Provider sessions
Make investment decisions based on insights from case studies, thought leadership presentations and live interactions with exhibitors.

Theater sessions
Get a snapshot of the current solution landscape from exhibitor presentations.

Face-to-face solution provider meetings
Meet with the solution providers that interest you most, and walk away with a shortlist and actionable solutions.

*Preregistration is required. These sessions are available to end users only.

Exhibit Showcase

Premier

1KOSMOS
Admin By Request
arcon
AXIAD
BeyondTrust
digicert
KEEPER
Microsoft Security
okta
Omada
ONE IDENTITY
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pathlock
Ping Identity
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RSA
SailPoint
Saviynt
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twine

New for 2026: Solution Provider Villages

Designed to help attendees more easily navigate the rapidly evolving identity landscape, the Exhibit Showcase features five dedicated villages that separate solution providers into distinct categories. This year's villages are:

- Workforce identity
- Customer/partner identity
- Machine IAM
- Identity security and threat detection
- Start-up

Exhibitor list as of August 12, 2026, and subject to change

Explore the full list of solution providers ↗

Interested in exhibiting?
Contact us at
exhibit@gartner.com

Registration and pricing

What's included

In addition to multiple tracks of the latest Gartner insights, your conference registration fee includes complimentary access to these special features:

- A Gartner one-on-one meeting*
- Workshops*
- Roundtables*
- Exhibit Showcase
- Meals and networking receptions

*Preregistration is required. These sessions are available to end users only; space is limited.

Group Rate Discount

Maximize learning by participating together in relevant sessions or splitting up to cover more ground, sharing your takeaways later.

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- 4 for 10 paid registrations

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