



AI Readiness & Risk Assessment

Secure, Responsible & Value-Led Artificial Intelligence Adoption
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Executive Summary

The Company 86 AI Readiness & Risk Assessment is a structured, business-led engagement designed to help organisations understand their readiness to adopt artificial intelligence in a way that is secure, responsible, and value-driven. While AI has historically been applied to low-value or productivity-focused tasks, organisations are now recognising its far broader potential to transform decision-making, operations, customer experience, and competitive advantage.

This assessment helps organisations move from experimentation to strategic adoption by evaluating readiness across strategy, technology, security, data, people, and culture. It provides a clear view of current capability, identifies risks and constraints, and defines a pragmatic roadmap for scalable and assured AI adoption.

The Evolving AI & Technology Landscape

Artificial intelligence and automation are advancing at an unprecedented pace. What were once niche or experimental capabilities are now becoming core enablers of business transformation, data-driven decision-making, and operational efficiency across industries.

Organisations are increasingly expected to adopt AI responsibly and securely, balancing innovation with risk management, governance, and regulatory expectations. Successfully realising value from AI requires more than tools alone—it demands the right infrastructure, architecture, security posture, operating model, and organisational mindset.

Service Overview

The AI Readiness & Risk Assessment evaluates an organisation's preparedness to adopt and scale artificial intelligence. It assesses strategic intent, technology foundations, security and risk controls, and the ability of business functions to identify and realise high-value AI use cases.

Core Assessment Dimensions

The assessment reviews readiness across multiple dimensions, including:

- Strategy & business alignment for AI adoption
- Infrastructure and architecture readiness, including IT modernisation requirements
- Data availability, quality, and governance
- Security, risk, and assurance for AI-enabled environments
- Organisational capability, skills, and operating model
- Culture, change readiness, and ethical considerations

Security, Risk & Assurance

AI adoption introduces new threat vectors, risks, and assurance requirements. The assessment applies a strong security lens to ensure AI initiatives are deployed in a way that is resilient, controlled, and trusted.

This includes evaluating the security posture of the underlying network and infrastructure, access controls, data protection mechanisms, and monitoring capabilities to ensure AI workloads operate in a secure and risk-assured environment.

Use Case Identification & Value Realisation

A key component of the assessment is identifying practical, high-value AI use cases across departments and business functions. These use cases are prioritised based on feasibility, value, risk, and alignment to strategic objectives.

The assessment focuses on rapid value realisation while also defining longer-term opportunities to embed AI across multiple layers of the organisation.

Culture, Change & Organisational Readiness

Successful AI adoption requires cultural and organisational change. The assessment considers whether existing processes, ways of working, and decision-making structures enable or constrain AI-driven transformation.

Recommendations address cultural readiness, skills uplift, and governance to help remove barriers such as entrenched processes or risk-averse thinking that may limit AI adoption.

AI Readiness Roadmap & Recommendations

The assessment delivers a clear, phased roadmap that balances innovation with risk assurance. Recommendations span short-term quick wins, medium-term capability uplift, and longer-term strategic AI adoption.

Key Benefits

- Clear understanding of organisational AI readiness and risk
- Secure and responsible AI adoption
- Accelerated value realisation from AI initiatives
- Improved decision-making and operational efficiency
- A pragmatic roadmap to competitive advantage through AI

Why Company 86

Company 86 brings deep expertise across security, cloud, data, and IT transformation. Our AI Readiness & Risk Assessment ensures organisations adopt artificial intelligence in a way that is secure, ethical, and aligned to real business outcomes.

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