

Secure the future, stay ahead today

AI Strategy & Implementation Services

The technology surrounding artificial intelligence (AI) is developing rapidly. New developments, tools and use cases are pushing into the market at an incredible rate. Companies are currently facing the following questions:

- ▶ And what is the best way for us to get started with AI in the near future?
- ▶ What advantages does the solution offer in terms of implementation time and cost transparency?

Companies see both opportunities and risks in the introduction of AI into their daily business. And rightly so, since such an introduction is far more than a pure technology project. We support you in meeting this challenge, offer customized approaches and solutions for these problems and open new possibilities for using AI in your company. At the center of this is our pragmatic and holistic approach, which enables a swift start.

The efficient use of AI is profoundly changing business processes:

Al is the main driver of the current AI can help to counteract the current shortage of skilled workers. innovation cycle up to about just about in the future, 4.4 trillion \$ 89% 56% 300 million of value will be of executives have of companies want automatable jobs can created by (Gen)AI in (Gen)Al as a top to use (Gen)Al for be filled by (Gen)AI, the future by increapriority for 2024. greater **efficiency** so that **employees** sing productivity can devote themseland **productivity**. worldwide. ves to more valueadded tasks.

► Companies must now address AI in order to remain competitive. It is important to gain experience and develop an AI strategy at the same time.

What challenges do companies usually face?

Around 40% of companies are still hesitant about using AI in their day-to-day business. This is often due to a certain lack of clarity caused by the numerous possible internal applications of AI and various external business requirements. Furthermore, legal and technological factors must be taken into account.

About us

With over 3.000 employees across 27 different locations, BDO is one of the leading companies for auditing and audit-related services, tax and business law consulting, and advisory in Germany.

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How can companies quickly move towards implementation?

The key is to gather experience and to act quickly. Our approach is to define and prioritize use cases in your company in a standardized way so that initial implementation is possible. In addition to technical aspects, the financial, legal and strategic framework conditions must also be taken into account – we call this the "Organizational Readiness Check". An example of how this works in practice:

Orientation & Examination

- Analysis of the positioning of (Gen)AI within the target audience, corporate strategy, requirements, governance & competencies
- Indicative examination of infrastructure, technical requirements, data quality and availability
- Presentation of opportunities and risks of (Gen)Al
- Presentation of a brainstorming process and exemplary prioritization

Brainstorming & prioritization

- Joint definition of use cases based on the BDO (Gen)Al user story format
- Identification of prioritized use cases for subsequent implementation
- Current maturity level and presentation of indicative improvement potential
- Strategic fields of action identified

Pilotierung & Stakeholder Buy-in

- Explanation and support in the implementation of technical configurations
- Implementation of a use case proof of concept (POC) in a real "look and feel", e.g. click dummy
- Joint presentation of the POC, (Gen)Al opportunities & risks to promote stakeholder buy-in
- (Gen)Al roadmap & MVP built

Implementierung

- Expansion of and implementation of further POCs with a cost-effectiveness analysis
- Creation of a governance framework
- Implementation of a prioritized use case
- ► Definition of a training & communication concept
- Change management & training
- Holistic (Gen)Al approach & use case implemented

Our service offering covers the entire process – from the initial readiness check to final implementation! We are at your side in every phase, helping you to plan the next steps and focusing on your key areas. Specifically, this includes technical implementation, checking the availability of data in the required quality and quantity, and involving the relevant decision-makers. By implementing proof-of-concept approaches, we enable you to gain practical experience with artificial intelligence (AI) and create a meaningful cost-benefit analysis. Our goal is to provide you with AI as a strategic tool – exactly where it makes sense. We support you in setting the course for the future of your company.

Our expertise

BDO offers a holistic consulting profile based on the combination of legal, regulatory, strategic and technological expertise. Through the acquisition of VICO Research & Consulting GmbH, BDO has further expanded its expertise in the field of data analysis and AI. Furthermore, the range of services includes support from the legal cooperation partner BDO LEGAL Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH and BDO Cyber Security GmbH.

Our added value for your company

We enable you to find a suitable starting point for AI in your company and to become active in a timely manner. In doing so, we take into account all the relevant aspects for the successful implementation of your plans.

Conclusion

To keep pace with today's business world, AI must become an integral part of everyday business life. The most important thing for companies is to take immediate action. BDO will help you leverage the existing potential and to take advantage of the business opportunities that arise. In doing so, we not only consider the technological aspect, but also take a pragmatic and company-wide approach.

