

ALN ACADEMY PRESENTS

ATLAS 2.0

Agentic Africa: Law, Trust and Skills for the Cloud, Creative and Circular Economy

24 OCTOBER 2026 | ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM

When AI can act on its own, who is accountable? ATLAS 2.0 is the practical, skills-first symposium where Africa's lawyers, regulators, technologists, creators and entrepreneurs come together to answer that question before the answers are imposed from elsewhere.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Agentic AI doesn't just generate content — it acts. It can search, negotiate, file reports, trigger transactions and manage workflows with limited human intervention. For Africa, this is a chance to build productivity, strengthen public institutions and grow emerging sectors. But the benefit only materialises if it is matched by legal frameworks that build trust, protect rights and enable innovation.

ATLAS is ALN Academy's flagship symposium on the future of law, technology and AI in Africa. ATLAS 2.0 aims to make the legal aspects of agentic AI practical and accessible to non-specialists, anchoring its approach in three sectors already driving Africa's next phase of growth: cloud, the creative economy, and the circular economy.

PURPOSE

ATLAS 2.0 is a practical legal and skills-building platform. The symposium helps non-specialists understand what agentic AI means for their work, and how law can enable innovation while protecting accountability and trust.

WHY THESE THREE SECTORS?

Each is already central to Africa's growth story — and each raises legal questions that agentic AI makes more urgent.

CLOUD ECONOMY

The infrastructure layer. Data residency, cybersecurity, vendor lock-in and procurement — the foundations AI agents run on.

CREATIVE ECONOMY

The ownership layer. Who owns AI-generated content, and how creators protect voice, style and royalties.

CIRCULAR ECONOMY

The accountability layer. Trusted data, credible green claims, and inclusion of informal waste actors.

OBJECTIVES

- Build practical understanding of agentic AI and how it differs from ordinary automation.
- Make legal and regulatory issues accessible to non-specialists.
- Equip participants with tools to identify and manage AI-related legal risk.
- Explore how agentic AI can strengthen Africa's cloud, creative and circular economy.
- Advocate for legal frameworks that enable innovation while protecting rights.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Participants leave able to explain what agentic AI is and why it matters, identify the key legal questions it raises, and apply practical checklists on accountability, data use, IP, cloud procurement and human oversight. ATLAS 2.0 will also produce an AI Agent Risk Checklist, an AI Contract Questions Guide, sector risk maps and a Ten Principles for Trusted Agentic AI in Africa advocacy note — tools that live on well beyond the day itself.

AFRICA CAN SHAPE AGENTIC AI

— but only if law, policy and institutions adapt proactively to make the technology trusted, inclusive and enforceable. Join us as a speaker, partner or sponsor and help write that future.

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TIME	SESSION	FOCUS
08:30 – 09:00	Registration & Networking	Arrival and informal networking.
09:00 – 09:20	Opening Remarks	Why ATLAS, why agentic AI, why now.
09:20 – 09:50	Opening Fireside Chat and demonstration	From Automation to Agency: what changes when AI can act.
09:50 – 10:50	Panel 1	When AI Acts, Who Is Accountable? — liability, oversight, data protection and IP.
10:50 – 11:10	Tea Break	
11:10 – 12:10	Practical Masterclass	The AI Agent Risk Map: a legal checklist for non-specialists.
12:10 – 13:10	Sector Breakout Labs	Choose one: Circular Intelligence · Creative Rights & Synthetic Media · Cloud Sovereignty & AI Infrastructure.
13:10 – 14:00	Lunch & Networking	
14:00 – 15:00	Panel 2	Building the Legal Architecture for an Agentic Africa.
15:00 – 16:00	Practical Clinic	Contracts, Clauses and Questions: what to ask before using an AI agent.
16:00 – 16:20	Tea Break	
16:30 – 17:00	Closing Session	The ATLAS Call to Action: Ten Principles for Trusted Agentic AI in Africa.
17:20 – 17:30	Closing Remarks	
17:30 onwards	Networking Reception	