Using AI responsibly in Manufacturing

AI technologies are reshaping the way organizations across industries do business. Manufacturing is no different. Successfully integrating AI into the factory of the future requires business leaders to practice big-picture thinking that considers not just what AI can do, but what it should do.

At Microsoft, we are collaborating with customers, partners, experts, and industry leaders to create a collective approach to engaging with AI in a responsible way. As you navigate what this shift could mean for manufacturing and industry, we’d like to share key insights and perspectives that we’ve learned along the way.

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System design
Apply practices and tools to reduce bias, improve accuracy and strengthen data for training of AI systems.

Simulations and digital twins
Assessing and mitigating risks before production saves effort and improves reliability.

Safety and reliability
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Employee empowerment
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Our digital supply chains can drive productivity and sustainability.

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How do you manage AI responsibly?

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Develop principles that reflect your organization’s values, climate and approach to product innovation, in your supply chain, and on production.

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How can you start your own journey to develop responsible AI in Manufacturing?

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