Invite: IFAC Peer-Up, online, "AI in Practice and Research – Accountancy Associations Sharing Experiences" - one session, split in two parts 5 and 10 November 2026

Dear colleagues,

As **Artificial Intelligence** has consistently emerged as a topic of strong interest during our conversations as well as in our most recent IFAC Member Survey, I am delighted to invite you and any other interested colleagues to our first **IFAC peer up, AI in Practice and Research.**

It will take place online in two parts, on **5 and 10 November 2026,** having a very straightforward objective: to learn from one another's experiences in an informal gathering, exchange ideas and lessons learned.

I was very grateful to everyone who has responded to our invitation to share their experiences and the exceptional response has meant we needed to split the session into two complementary parts, each featuring different 10-minute contributions from each organization, with opportunities for questions and exchanges.

Part 1 – Thursday, 5 November 2026, 16:00–17:20 CET

Time	Association, Speaker Name, Position, Topic
16:00–16:10	**IFAC**, Lindie Englebrecht, Head of Global Advocacy and Market Insights *IFAC's project to develop a framework for placing reliance on AI in audit, and AI guidance being developed with CPA Australia for the SMP community*
16:10–16:20	**Accountancy Europe,** Bronte Klein, Chief of Staff Strategy & Operations *AI readiness of PAOs*
16:20–16:30	**CNDCEC, Italy** Fabrizio Escheri, Council Member *Latest legal and ethical developments in the regulation of the accountancy profession in relation to AI*
16:30–16:40	**ICJCE, Spain,** Loreta Calero, Chair of the ICJCE IT commission *Our AI experience*
16:40–16:50	**OCC, Portugal** João Ferreira da Silva, Assessor da Bastonária *OCC's virtual secretary and chatbot*
16:50–17:00	**NBA, Netherlands** Giel Dirkx, Program Manager AI and Ethics *AI applied: use cases for accountants and auditors*
17:00 – 17:20	**Q&A session**

Part 2 – Tuesday, 10 November 2026 16:30–17:40 CET

Time	Association, Speaker Name, Position, Topic
16:30–16:40	**ACCA** Alistair Brisbourne, Head of Technology Research *ACCA's AI-related work and experience with PAOs*
16:40–16:50	**AICPA & CIMA** Peter Spence, Associate Technical Director, Research & Development, at AICPA&CIMA *AI developments in ERP and EPM platforms – what this means for business operations and management accounting*
16:50–17:00	**CAI Ireland,** Níall Fitzgerald, Head of Ethics and Governance, and Michael Diviney, Executive Head of Thought Leadership *Shaping and supporting our members' AI journey*
17:00–17:10	**ICAEW** Ally Daley, Head of AI Innovation, Product and Partnerships, Bani Lamba, Data Analytics and Tech Manager *ICAEW GenAI Accelerator*
17:10–17:20	**IDW, Germany,** Andreas Poehlmann, Technical Director Digitalization *AI in Audit, Assurance and Advisory – An Overview of IDW Statements: insights into IDW's work on the use of AI in audit, assurance and advisory services*
17:20–17:40	**Q&A session**

Please note that the agendas are provisional and may be adjusted.

We warmly invite colleagues from all IFAC member organizations across Europe to register for one or both parts of the session so please feel free to share the link below to any of your colleagues who you think might be interested in the presentations.

Please register HERE!

The format is deliberately informal and interactive rather than a traditional webinar, and it is strongly encouraged for everyone to contribute questions, reflections and experiences.

Whether your organization is already implementing AI initiatives or just beginning to explore the possibilities, we hope these conversations will provide useful, practical ideas, inspiration and opportunities to connect with peers. We are envisaging repeating these sessions of practical exchanges on different topics in the months to come, and we appreciate any feedback from you.

I am very much looking forward to welcoming you to this session and in the meantime, I would be happy to offer any other information.

Best regards,
Andreia