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AI PROCUREMENT MASTERCLASS 2026

**AI for Procurement: Orchestrating
Supply Chains in the Age of Agentic AI**

HRDC REFUNDABLE UP TO 90%

Hilton Resorts - 29 Apr 2026

- Enables Customization: Different tasks require different approaches. Prompt engineering allows users to customize the AI's behaviour, tailoring it to specific domains, industries, or even unique organizational needs. This customization makes AI models more versatile and adaptable to various scenarios.
- Mitigates Bias and Errors: Thoughtful prompt engineering can help mitigate biases and errors inherent in AI models by steering the AI's responses away from undesirable or incorrect paths. By carefully choosing words, context, and framing, users can reduce the chances of generating inappropriate or biased outputs.
- Facilitates User-AI Interaction: As AI becomes more integrated into business processes, effective prompt engineering serves as a bridge between human intent and machine capabilities, empowering users, even those without deep technical expertise, to leverage AI capabilities effectively by crafting the right prompts.



3rd Annual
AI Procurement Seminar
by Irshad JACKARIA, CFA

Forget most of what you have been taught in AI so far

➤ AI for Procurement & Supply

Move beyond traditional sourcing methods to the era of Agentic AI-driven supply chain orchestration. We examine the shift from reactive purchasing to intelligence-led procurement decision architecture. We explore probability-based supplier scoring, anomaly detection in procurement data and the limits of automation ... why AI detection must always be guided by managerial judgment.



Claude's Cowork Plug-In & Latest AI Tools



Agentic Procurement Tools & Prompts



Supplier Risk Radar & Geopolitical Early Signals



FX Exposure, Commodity Volatility & Should-Cost AI



Explainable AI (xAI) for Defensible Decisions

➤ Practical Showcase on "how to"

Our lens focuses on procurement intelligence. We transform the traditional sourcing workshop into a high-pressure strategic procurement lab. Experience real-world responses to currency shocks, supplier disruption & data anomalies. Explore AI-assisted offer comparison, predictive cost modelling & negotiation simulation. Let's transform procurement from price-focused sourcing to supply chains powered by AI.



Live AI Procurement Intelligence Lab



Should-Cost Modelling & Multi-Offer Stress Test



FX Shock Scenario Simulation



Supply Chain War-Room Disruption Simulation



Implementation & Use Roadmap

Hilton Resorts, Flic-en-Flac

on 29 APR 2026



7 CPD Hours of Discovery & Demonstrable Proof



Tabletop Simulations & Latest Global Gold Standards

Practical and Results-Oriented with Local relevance & Global excellence



Action-Packed Seminar, with latest AI Techniques for Procurement & Supply



You will be challenged through high-level analysis and insightful comparisons of AI platforms, procurement analytics tools and strategic sourcing methods, designed to strengthen decision-making in complex supply environments.

Participants will confront currency volatility, supplier disruption and negotiation through structured AI-assisted decision frameworks.

No time for excess breathing, with intense mental and strategic workouts, all in line with the daily challenges in our AI and Data-Driven World.

Join us for a day outside the office, where procurement leaders learn to orchestrate supply chains with intelligence, discipline and foresight.

PROCUREMENT LIVE LABS LEARNING BY DOING

Bring your Laptop, Fully Charged

➤ Agentic AI

Agentic AI systems are transforming procurement workflows, moving beyond simple chat interfaces toward active sourcing intelligence and decision support, with Human-In-The-Loop. Examples include:

- AI-assisted contract & quotation review
- Supplier risk triage & anomaly detection
- Strategic sourcing briefings & dashboards
- Multi-offer comparative analysis

➤ Supply Chain Disruption

Experience real-world procurement responses to global supply chain disruptions such as bottlenecks, geopolitical shocks or supplier instability. Through simulations, we will explore predictive disruption modelling, supplier substitution strategies & workflow override decisions. We show how to manage the critical first hours of disruption to protect operational continuity.



➤ AI Governance

In an era where automated procurement systems increasingly influence sourcing decisions, governance becomes a strategic necessity. Participants will learn how to establish decision traceability in AI-assisted procurement processes, ensuring that sourcing outcomes remain transparent, defensible and aligned with organisational accountability standards. You will discover how to construct Procurement Decision Logs that document AI-assisted sourcing outcomes and provide audit-ready justification.

AI MASTERCLASS 2026 SERIES

➤ AI you never heard of ..

- Cross-Supplier Contradiction Detection & Offer Integrity Mapping
- Cost Layer Deconstruction & Strategic Margin Exposure Analysis
- Temporal Cost Drift Analysis & Contract Lifecycle Forecasting
- Adversarial Supplier Stress Testing & Vulnerability Mapping
- Geopolitical Supply Risk Surfacing & Early Warning Signals

With the latest:
Gemini 3, Claude Opus 4.6
Kimi K2.5, ChatGPT 5.4



REGISTRATION: STARTS AT 0815
(Hilton Resorts, Wed 29 April 2026)

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**From Spend to Signals:
Intelligence & Agentic AI**
0840-0940

Agentic AI in procurement (tools and prompts), Machine-generated spend signals vs managerial decisions, Probability-weighted scoring, Anomaly detection in data, early warning systems, Limits: why detection ≠ decision.

**Financial Power & Cost
Engineering in Volatile Markets**
0940- 1040

Internal yield curves, FX exposure modelling (multi-currency procurement), commodity volatility & hedging, AI-driven Should-Cost modelling, Capital Exposure Index (CEI) 2.0, Risk-adjusted Total Value Analysis (TVA).

TEA BREAK: 1040- 1100

Where knowledge steams, idea flows ...

**Supplier Risk, ESG Pressure &
Autonomous Monitoring**
1100 - 1200

Supplier Risk Radar, ESG procurement under CBAM & Scope-3 pressure, Financial distress signals, Drift in supplier performance data, Data poisoning risks in information systems, Continuous monitoring vs strategic review.

**Negotiation Intelligence &
Decision Architecture in 2026**
1200 - 1300

Negotiation Digital Twins, AI-assisted Concession Pathway Architecture, Value Density Negotiation & Cost Layer Deconstruction, Sentiment map, Cross-border positioning, Human-in-the-loop (HITL) in high-stakes negotiation.

LUNCH: 1300 - 1415

Savour each bite & digest new perspectives ...

**Procurement with AI
Live Lab**
1415 - 1530

**1.AI-driven anomaly detection exercise,
2.Should-Cost modelling challenge,
3.Multi-offer comparison under volatility,
4.FX shock simulation (currency shift),
5.Explainable AI (xAI) sourcing decision.**

COFFEE BREAK: 1530 - 1550

Sip & Spark - where caffeine meets creativity ...

**Supply Chain with AI
Live Lab**
1550 - 1635

**1.Red Sea-style logistics disruption,
2.Adversarial AI Simulation,
3.Inventory buffer recalibration exercise,
4.Autonomous workflow override decision,
5.Rapid re-sourcing under uncertainty.**



Irshad JACKARIA

BCom, BCom(Hons), DInv, MSc, MCIPS, CFA

Pioneer

Since launching Knowledge of the ART in 2003, Irshad has been an innovator & pioneer in several areas with dedicated projects in traditional and emerging fields connected to Accounting, Finance, Compliance, Governance, Data Science and AI.

- Fintech and AI Developments in 2019.
- AI & ESG Impact Navigation in 2024.
- AI Proficiency Masterclass in 2024 & 2025.
- AI & Procurement Masterclass in 2024 & 2025.
- AI for Sales & Marketing Professionals in 2025.
- AI for Accounting & Finance Professionals in 2025.
- AI for Compliance and Legal Professionals in 2026.
- AI for Auditors and Audit Committees in 2026.

Personal Brand

First one in Mauritius to be a LinkedIn Top Voice in Artificial Intelligence, Irshad is a rethinker and is right now, working on the re-definition of the 7 known Soft Skills, for them to be AI-Curated.

Disruptor

In the last 23 years, Irshad has been the coach & trainer for more than 4,870 participants, coming from more than 520 Mauritian companies, from micro and medium to Top 100, in Finance, Purchasing, Supply Chain, Stores & Warehousing, Green Logistics, Sales & Marketing, Compliance, ESG as well as Artificial Intelligence, with always a higher-than-average ratings and 5-star feedback.

Business Sherpa

Voted as the "Young Entrepreneur of the Year" in 2005, Irshad represented Mauritius in London at the Shell Livewire Entrepreneur of the World. And, he has, over the years, been a Mentor for Enterprises at the National Woman Entrepreneur Council, a Consultant to MSMEs in business reengineering and an Advisor on turnaround strategies.

AI-IA

In 2000, during his MSc in eBusiness, Irshad was exposed to the realm of Data Mining. Now in 2026, as a CFA Charterholder, he is crusading in Data Science. He is now an Artificial Intelligence Impact Assessment (AI-IA) Coach, where he develops training on the impact of AI.

CFA Coach

Irshad is currently the only one in Mauritius to accompany participants in the globally acclaimed Chartered Financial Analyst programme, at all the 3 levels through his intense face-to-face masterclasses, focusing on high-level finance. And, he recently became the first in Mauritius to present the CFA ESG Investing certificate.



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Course Title
(for HRDC Application)

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Course Objectives

Integrating Agentic AI into procurement and supply chain decision-making, enabling professionals to combine financial intelligence, supplier risk analysis and AI-assisted sourcing strategies.

Manage hidden risks in global supply networks, including supplier disruption, currency volatility, geopolitical shocks & algorithm-driven signals.

Transform procurement decision-making into an AI and data-informed strategic discipline.

Learning Outcomes

Understand the operational mechanics of Agentic AI in procurement environments and its role in sourcing.

Distinguish AI-generated signals from managerial decision authority, ensuring HITL governance.

Integrate financial, geopolitical and macroeconomic signals into procurement judgment AI frameworks.

Use AI-assisted analytical tools to evaluate supplier offers, model cost structures and negotiations.

No. of CPD Hours

7 UNITS (including 1 hour of networking during our lunch and 2 tea breaks)

Coach

Irshad A. A. JACKARIA

BCom, BCom(Hons), DInv, MSc, MCIPS, CFA

Fees per participant

Rs. 25,000, MQA-Approved,

HRDC-Refundable up to 90% for AI courses

Date, Time & Venue

Wednesday 29 April 2026

0815 to 1635 @ Hilton Resorts & Spa, Flic-en-Flac