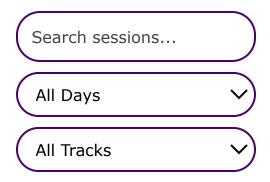


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Monday, Nov 3, 2025

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM

Registration and Coffee

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Registration

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09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Enhance Business Efficiency with Microsoft 365 Copilot and Copilot Studio

Speakers: William Huneycutt

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

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Discover how to transform your business efficiency with the powerful features of Copilot for Microsoft 365 and Copilot Studio. This hands-on workshop is designed to equip you with practical skills and insights to optimize your workflow, automate tasks effectively, and significantly enhance productivity.

In this session, you'll dive into the powerful capabilities of both Copilot for Microsoft 365 and Copilot Studio, exploring how these tools can revolutionize your approach to everyday tasks and empower you to become a Copilot star.

Key Takeaways:

*Copilot for Microsoft 365: Explore how Copilot integrates with Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Forms, Loop, Outlook, and Teams to boost efficiency and collaboration.

*Copilot Studio: Learn how to build, automate, and create custom copilots with ease, using the intuitive features of Copilot Studio to extend functionality across your organization.

*Practical Demonstrations: Watch live demos showcasing real-world applications of Copilot, helping you see its potential in action.

*Tips and Best Practices: Gain insights into proven techniques and strategies to maximize Copilot's impact on your workflow.

Don't miss this opportunity to transform your work

routine with the power of Microsoft Copilot. Whether you're new to these tools or looking to deepen your understanding, this session will equip you with the knowledge and skills to excel in your role.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Automation Accelerator: Power Automate

Bootcamp - From Basics to Brilliance

Speakers: <u>Amarender Peddamalku</u>

Track: Power Automate, Power User (low-code/no-code,

Team site owner)

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G6

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This workshop is for beginners and I will cover a range of topics to help participants understand and utilize Power Automate effectively. Here are some key topics:

Introduction to Power Automate:

Overview of Power Automate and its capabilities.
Understanding the different types of flows (cloud flows, desktop flows, business process flows).

Creating Your First Flow

Step-by-step guide to creating a simple automated workflow.

Using templates to get started quickly.

Working with Connectors:

Connecting to various data sources and services.

Using standard and premium connectors.

Building Advanced Flows:

Using conditions, loops, and variables.

Integrating with other Microsoft services like SharePoint, Teams, and Outlook.

Setting up error handling in your flows.

Monitoring and troubleshooting flows.

Best Practices and Governance:

Tips for designing efficient and maintainable flows.

Understanding governance and security considerations.

Hands-on Labs and Exercises:

Practical exercises to apply what you've learned. Building real-world automation scenarios.

These topics provide a comprehensive overview and hands-on experience with Power Automate, enabling participants to automate and optimize their business processes effectively

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Planning, Implementing, and Achieving Data Lifecycle Management in Microsoft Purview

Speakers: <u>David Drever</u>

 $\textbf{Track:} \ \, \textbf{Intranet \& Portals/SharePoint, Security, Governance \& } \\$

Compliance

Level: All

Location: Room G3

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In recent years, the amount of digital content moving to the cloud has been dramatic. This has undoubtedly made collaboration easier and more versatile, but it's also brought with it a new set of problems, such as noncompliant data destruction. Additionally, since storage is managed in the cloud, many organizations are more aware than ever that they can't keep everything, but they lack the capabilities to manage this redundant data.

In this workshop, your expert presenter will share his knowledge and experience with a deep dive into what Microsoft Purview can do to help you manage ROT (Redundant Obsolete Trivial) in your organization while ensuring the important and vital data is there when it needs to be. The workshop will cover key features in Purview, including Data Lifecycle Management and Records Management. You will also learn the various ways to ensure the content you need to be removed is actually disposed of.

But it's not all theory. You'll leave the workshop with a recommended implementation approach: a Day 1/Day 2/Day 3 incremental model that balances the user experience and your organization's necessary protections.

Now is the time to ensure your data is safe from accidental removal and maintained throughout its lifecycle. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from one of the best in the industry how to do just that.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Unlocking the Power of Microsoft 365: A Comprehensive Introductory Workshop

Speakers: <u>Emily Mancini</u>

Track: Business Value, Intranet & Portals/SharePoint

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G2

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Join us for a full-day workshop designed to introduce you to the powerful suite of Microsoft 365 tools. This session is perfect for anyone new to Microsoft 365 who needs to understand what to use when across the available solutions.

Workshop Highlights:

- 1. Communication and Collaboration: Dive into Microsoft Teams, SharePoint Online, Viva Engage, and Copilot to enhance your organization's communication and collaboration.
- 2. Power Platform Capabilities: Explore the capabilities of Power Platform and other Microsoft 365 solutions to streamline your workflows and boost productivity.
- 3. Hands-On Activities: Engage in practical, hands-on labs that will guide you through the implementation of these tools in your environment.
- 4. Cost-Free Resources: Discover a wealth of cost-free resources that can empower your journey with Microsoft 365, helping you to increase productivity, communication, and collaboration within your organization.

Whether you're a corporate entity, educational institution, government agency, or nonprofit, this workshop will provide you with the insights and skills needed to leverage Microsoft 365 effectively.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Beginners Guide to Power BI and Microsoft Fabric Workshop

Speakers: <u>Scott Shearer</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G7

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This session will provide you with the knowledge that you need to quickly become productive using Power BI and Microsoft Fabric.

First, you will be introduced to Power BI:

- Power BI licensing
- Power BI Components
- Using the Power BI Desktop app
- Using the Power BI Service
- How to create reports and dashboards
- Learning Resources

Then, you'll explore Microsoft Fabric:

- What is Fabric and why should you care?
- Basic Fabric concepts and components
- OneLake and Lakehouses
- Dataflows and data pipelines
- And more!

Don't have a Power BI or Fabric license? You can start using Power BI and Fabric for free!

Attend this demo-rich session and get started with Power BI and Microsoft Fabric!

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Information Architecture (IA) for Enterprise AI

Speakers: <u>Michelle Caldwell</u>, <u>Chris McNulty</u>

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G8

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Unlock the transformative power of AI for your enterprise at our full-day workshop, "Information Architecture (IA) for Enterprise AI."

Dive into the world of AI as it explodes across enterprises, and learn how to use it to drive real value for your organization. This comprehensive event is designed to equip you with the knowledge to confidently initiate and deliver Microsoft AI across your organization.

Discover the diverse types of AI in the enterprise and understand how to organize, structure, and label enterprise content corpuses to ensure AI can best leverage existing content. Learn about popular technical stacks, LLMs, cognitive services, and how to identify the right tools for your unique needs. Prepare to run a proof of concept, find hidden opportunities for AI value, and leave with a clear roadmap for next steps.

This session is for you if:

- You're curious about AI but unsure where the immediate benefits are.
- You want to understand how AI can help your organization and deliver ROI.
- You're eager to understand what programs can be used for long-term growth & scaling.
- You need an AI strategy and a getting started checklist.

Don't miss this opportunity to unlock the incredible potential of AI for your business. Secure your spot today!

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Supercharging SharePoint with Power Apps and Copilot: Building Intelligent Business Solutions

Speakers: *Laura Rogers*

Track: Power Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

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In this all day workshop, learn to transform your SharePoint expertise into intelligent, business-driven solutions using Power Apps and Copilot. Tailored for Microsoft 365 power users, this session dives into building low-code apps that supercharge SharePoint's capabilities for team collaboration and process automation. Learn how to create dynamic apps for scenarios like forms and approval workflows, seamlessly integrated with SharePoint lists and libraries. Discover how Copilot's AIpowered features can accelerate development and enhance maker productivity. We will also explore best practices for designing responsive apps and the solution life cycle. With live demos and real-world case studies, this workshop, led by Microsoft MVP Laura Rogers, equips SharePoint power users with the tools to modernize workflows and drive business impact without coding expertise.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Guardrails for the Generative Era: A Deep Dive into

Copilot Studio Governance

Speakers: <u>Jared Matfess</u>, <u>Norm Young</u>

Track: Copilot Agents, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

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Let's be honest—everyone's excited about agents right now. But excitement without guardrails leads to chaos. This full-day workshop is for IT leaders, platform owners, and system admins ready to move beyond "let's build cool stuff" and into "let's build cool stuff responsibly."

We'll unpack the risks associated with letting everyone in your organization build their own Copilot Studio agents: data exposure, compliance gaps, cost creep, and agent sprawl. Then we'll cover what you can do about those risks today with current capabilities and what's coming in the future.

You'll leave this workshop with a governance game plan that includes:

- Who should build which types of agents (and who shouldn't)
- What environments and controls should be in place from day one
- How to reduce risk without stifling innovation
- When to say "that's not an agent use case"

This workshop gives you the context, controls, and confidence to help your organization move quickly and stay safe.

Welcome to the responsible side of Copilot Studio.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Hands-On: Azure, ChatGPT, DeepSeek, Azure OpenAI For Power Platform Developers Masterclass

Speakers: <u>Prashant G Bhoyar</u>

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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Gartner predicts, "by 2026, over 65% of medium to large enterprises will have adopted a Low Code Application Platform as one of their strategic application platforms." Microsoft Power Platform is a low-code platform for rapidly building customized end-to-end business solutions. It consists of five product areas: Power Apps, Power Automate, Power BI, Copilot Studio, and Power Pages. Each area can be used individually or together. Thanks to native integration with Azure, developers can use their cloud development skills to extend Microsoft Power Platform with different Azure services. With a low-code integrated development approach, business goals can be achieved faster and free up time for the developers.

In this hands-on workshop, Microsoft AI and Business Applications MVP and Microsoft Certified Trainer, Prashant G Bhoyar, will cover these topics in detail:.

- 1) Microsoft Azure Key Concepts
- 2) Azure AI Foundry Key Concepts
- 3) Authentication and Authorization in Azure
- 4) Azure OpenAI Key Concepts
- 5) ChatGPT key concepts
- 6) How can fusion teams take advantage of Azure OpenAI, ChatGPT, Azure AI Foundry, and Microsoft Copilot Studio?
- 7) Authentication in Microsoft Copilot Studio
- 8) Azure AI Foundry + Microsoft Copilot Studio
- 9) Azure AI Foundry + Power Automate
- 10) Azure AI Foundry + Power Apps
- 11) Azure AI Foundry + Power BI
- 12) Azure AI Foundry + Microsoft Fabric
- 13) Copilot Studio Plugins

- 14) Copilot Studio Copilot Connectors and Actions
- 15) How to create multimodal agents and custom copilots?
- 16) How to create Autonomous agents?
- 17) Copilot Studio and MCP (Model Context Protocol)
- 18) How to use DeepSeek R1 with Azure AI Foundry?
- 19) How to evaluate a use case and find the ROI?
- 20) Responsible AI: Delve into the ethics and responsible use of AI.
- 21) Enterprise-level applications, Custom Copilots, and AI Agents: Learn to develop robust, scalable multimodal applications, Custom Copilots, and AI Agents using Power Platform, Copilot Studio, Azure AI Foundry, and Azure OpenAI, focusing on industry requirements and best practices.

At the end of the workshop, attendees will have a working knowledge of Azure, Azure OpenAI, and how to use it to implement the customizations in the Microsoft Power Platform.

Access to Microsoft Power Platform (Power Apps, Power Automate, Copilot Studio, and Power BI), Azure, Azure AI Foundry, DeepSeek, and Azure OpenAI services (valued at USD 500) will be provided for hands-on labs, allowing you to build enterprise-grade multimodal applications and agents. However, you're encouraged to use your own Power Platform, Copilot Studio, and Azure subscriptions if available.

The target audience of this hands-on workshop is Developers, Power Users, and IT Pros who want to get into development.

Please note: Attendees will need to bring their laptops with internet access and modern browsers like Microsoft

Edge, Google Chrome, Firefox, and Safari. The tablets will not work.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Workshop: Modern Development using the

SharePoint Framework (SPFx)

Speakers: <u>Don Kirkham</u>

Track: Azure / M365 Development, SharePoint Development

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room D

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Level 200-300. SPFx is now a mature Framework for building solutions for Office 365, Microsoft Teams and the newest product, Microsoft Viva. This workshop will cover how to get started in SPFx by configuring a very flexible development environment and creating our first SPFx solution.

We will then expand our sample solution to interact with data in SharePoint. Our solution will use the latest development acceleration tools from the Microsoft-led Patterns and Practices (PnP) community effort to build modern solutions in webparts, extensions, and adaptive cards for SharePoint Teams and Viva.

Tuesday, Nov 4, 2025

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM

Registration & Coffee

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Registration

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09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Prepare Your Organization to Embrace Copilot for Microsoft 365

Speakers: <u>Antonio Maio</u>, <u>Mark Rackley</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

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Copilot for Microsoft 365 is revolutionizing how employees work, combining AI and large language models with your data to provide personalized assistance and productivity enhancements in day-to-day activities. Effective Copilot rollout requires understanding how it will best benefit your organization, building the business case, and preparing the enterprise to embrace it both from a technical governance, security and change management perspective. Copilot also allows you to customize it, using Copilot studio and other techniques, enabling you to provide rich, custom AI-based experiences for your users.

Join Mark and Antonio in this full day workshop to discover how to identify your use cases and desired outcomes for Copilot for Microsoft 365, and how to build a business case to get leadership buy-in. We'll look at Copilot Studio and how you can customize the experience so that users get the best benefits from AI. We'll talk about how Copilot works with sensitive data and how you can leverage Microsoft Purview to protect your organizations information when using Copilot. Finally, we'll talk about change management programs for Copilot and how to prepare your environment from a technical

perspective, putting in place the necessary prerequisites and governing permissions and access to content at scale.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Building effective intranets: The Information Architecture (IA) Blueprint for AI Integration

Speakers: <u>Susan Hanley</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Viva

Level: All

Location: Room G3

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In this comprehensive workshop, we will delve into the fundamentals of Information Architecture (IA) and its pivotal role in crafting effective intranets using Microsoft 365. Discover why IA is crucial to AI and how you can ensure your intranet content serves as a valuable partner in your AI solutions.

Whether you are just beginning or seeking to enhance your current intranet design, this tutorial will equip you with the essential tools and techniques to leverage new and upcoming features, capabilities, and best practices. Key topics include how to gather or revisit organizational outcomes to ensure that your intranet aligns with the metrics that your stakeholders care about, creating and organizing content to optimize AI experiences, building effective site structures and page designs, developing metadata, and optimizing search.

You will take away:

• How to plan site structures to optimize user experience, content management, and successful intranet discovery with Copilot agents for SharePoint.

Strategies for planning navigation.

• Tips and best practices for designing pages that support accessibility and exceptional user experiences, including how to use Copilot to help author content and improve

outcomes.

Effective use of metadata on pages and documents.

How to leverage Viva Connections to integrate your

intranet into the flow of work.

By the end of this workshop, you will have a clear understanding of what IA is, why it matters (and its significance to AI), and how to design an intranet that aligns with your organization's goals while providing outstanding user experiences.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Power Automate Multi-Stage Approval Workflows -

Workshop

Speakers: Amarender Peddamalku

Track: Business Value, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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In every organization there are a number of scenarios which require an Approval process. It could be Contract approvals, PTO/Leave Approvals, Event approvals and

many other business processes.

In this workshop we'll learn how to design and develop Multi-Stage Approval Workflows using Power Automate. The workflow will move back and forth b/w different stages and will also learn how to restart a workflow from a given stage. We'll learn how to include Dynamic Approvers in the workflow process.

We'll also learn how to design and develop Automated escalations and Automated reminders. We'll implement timeout features in the workflows to escalate it to the next approver in the process. We will learn how to log and retain workflow history beyond what Microsoft Power Automate offers out-of-box. We'll develop a button to kick off the workflow from a SharePoint library/list.

09:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Toolkit for building Agents: M365 Copilot, Studio &

SharePoint in Action

Speakers: <u>Manpreet Singh</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Agents

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G6

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In today's AI-driven workplace, intelligent agents are rapidly becoming essential tools for enhancing productivity and streamlining operations. This hands-on workshop will guide you through the process of building custom AI agents using Microsoft Copilot, Copilot Studio, and SharePoint.

Participants will explore how to design, build, and deploy smart agents that can assist with everyday tasks—such as answering questions, generating content, and automating workflows—tailored to their organization's unique needs. You'll learn how to use Copilot Studio's low-code interface to create agents with conversational intelligence, integrate them seamlessly into SharePoint, and extend their capabilities with Microsoft 365 tools.

Through guided demos and practical exercises, you'll gain

the skills to:

- Build custom AI agents with Copilot Studio
- Build custom AI agents with M365 Copilot
- Build custom AI agents with SharePoint
- WWW (What, Where & Why) to use
- Pricing
- Tips & Tricks

Whether you're a developer, IT pro, or business user looking to harness the power of generative AI, this workshop will equip you to transform the way you and your teams work—with agents that are as smart as they are useful.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Establishing SharePoint Online Admin Rockstar Status

Speakers: <u>Brian Alderman</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation, SharePoint Premium

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G7

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SharePoint Online (SPO) integrates with many services that you need to be familiar with to successfully manage your collaboration content. In this full day workshop, we are going to learn about these different services and how to manage the integration with them by exploring and discussing SharePoint Online best practices for configuring, securing, optimizing, and implementing redundancy.

We will begin by discussing and creating a new Microsoft 365 tenant, followed by exploring how to customize both

the M365 and SharePoint administrator dashboards so they only display information related to the Microsoft 365 services and SPO-related components like SharePoint Online and OneDrive.

We will also explore how to create and assign users to access SharePoint Online as both an end user and as administrators.

Being most scenarios require the migration of content, we will discuss several options for migrating content from many different sources to SharePoint Online and OneDrive.

Most migrations require at least an interim hybrid configuration, so we will introduce and explore the components that can be configured for a hybrid environment as an interim solution, or as a long-term solution.

We will then roll up our sleeves and explore the configuration of several components of SharePoint Online using both the GUI and PowerShell. These SPO components and configurations include;

Creating, configuring, and managing site collections

Configuring the user profile service (UPS) to ensure your Active Directory data is included in your search index

Exploring several search service configuration options, to ensure your users are able to quickly find the information they need, along with how to access some search-related reports, as well as some suggestions on how to help your users submit better search queries for more accurate search results

Discussing both SharePoint Online and OneDrive configuration options for managing and securing your collaboration content

Create and implementing a structured taxonomy to provide consistent and reliable data in SPO by using published tenant-level content types and managed metadata fields via the term store, as well as other custom column types, that can all be managed by information architects.

As we discuss these topics throughout the day, I'll be sharing best practices, as well as tips and tricks that every SPO admin should know about while working with SPO.

When you leave the workshop, you'll have all the skills and best practices to migrate to, configure, manage, and secure SharePoint Online and OneDrive components using the SharePoint Online Admin center, OneDrive admin Center, and PowerShell.

09:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Unlock Your Productivity Potential with Microsoft 365 Copilot

Speakers: <u>William Huneycutt</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G8

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Ready to transform your workday? Discover how Microsoft 365 Copilot can automate tasks, streamline collaboration, and enhance productivity. This isn't just training—it's your gateway to a smarter, more innovative way to work.

Why Attend?

Discover how Microsoft 365 Copilot can:

- Automate Repetitive Tasks: Save time and focus on impactful work.
- Streamline Collaboration: Work smarter across apps and teams.
- Boost Productivity: Achieve more with less effort.

What You'll Learn

- Harness Copilot's Power: Automate workflows, get instant answers, and generate ideas effortlessly.
- Master Copilot Agents: Leverage tailored assistance for consistent and precise results.
- Maximize Key Apps: Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Outlook,
 Teams, and more—all enhanced by Copilot.

Take Your Skills to the Next Level

Gain hands-on experience and practical strategies to:

- Simplify workflows with Copilot Agents.
- Free up time for creative tasks by automating mundane work.
- Streamline meetings, collaboration, and content creation with Microsoft 365 Copilot.

Don't Miss Out!

The future of the workplace is here. Join us to experience how Microsoft Copilot can help you achieve more with less effort. With hands-on exercises and actionable insights, you'll walk away ready to transform your workflow.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Data Protection, Collaboration, and User Engagement: Assisting Your Organization in Doing it All

Speakers: <u>Sarah Haase</u>, <u>David Drever</u>

Track: Security, Governance & Compliance, Special Topics

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

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With the ever-changing cloud landscape, organizations struggle to help their employees collaborate and be effective in their day-to-day responsibilities. Adding data protection and security could raise the difficulty even more, as the business needs to balance the ability to collaborate while keeping its information and users safe. Ensuring user engagement and adoption is fundamental to success.

In this workshop, David and Sarah will cover the design and implementation of Microsoft 365's collaboration tools, such as SharePoint, Teams, Viva Engage, and more, while ensuring the solution is safe, secure, and fully collaborative. They'll help you understand how you can work together to protect your organization's information and employees in a manner that encourages endorsement from those using the tools.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Power Apps and Power Automate Hands-On Quick Start for M365 Makers

Speakers: <u>Wes Preston</u>, <u>Scott Shearer</u>

Track: Power Apps, Power Automate

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room B

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Power Apps and Power Automate Hands-On Quick Start for M365 Makers

New to Power Apps and Power Automate? Attend this hands-on workshop to elevate your M365 maker game by adding these Power Platform tools to your skillset.

Work through a common business use case from requirements to solution. We'll extend a M365 foundation with Power Apps and Power Automate. Whenever possible, we'll highlight Copilot capabilities offered in both Power Apps and Power Automate. Along the way, you'll receive a solid understanding of the capabilities and features of both technologies.

This is a hands-on session. You walk through clearly defined steps when creating Power Apps and Flows that extend Lists data.

Notes and Requirements:

Attendees must come prepared with:

A laptop computer (Attendees who bring tablets with keyboards will likely have a sub-optimal experience)

A Microsoft 365 (M365) environment where you can create lists, Power Apps, Power Automate Flows, a Team and potentially other Microsoft 365 components

If you do not have an M365 environment in which you can work, please consider "purchasing" a Microsoft 365

Business Basic plan currently priced at \$6 per month with a 30-day free trial. The subscription can be cancelled within the first 30 days.

If you are using a company owned laptop, please verify that you can create Power Apps, Power Automate Flows, a Team as well as other M365 components. Employers frequently lock down laptops.

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Power BI Bootcamp for SharePoint Professionals

Speakers: *Treb Gatte*

Track: Content Management, Power BI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room C

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NOTE: YOU WILL NEED A COMPUTER WITH THE LATEST VERSION OF POWER BI DESKTOP INSTALLED PRIOR TO WORKSHOP TIME. THIS IS A HANDS ON BOOTCAMP.

Need to create stunning dashboards from your SharePoint data?

Yes you do!

In this bootcamp, we'll show you:

- How should I approach my BI need?
- What things should be considered when creating dashboards?
- What are the best practices?
- How much is this going to cost me to license?
- What security aspects should concern me?

Who should take this course:

If your company uses Office 365 or SharePoint 2013/2016 and you are a:

- Manager
- Business Analyst
- Power User
- SharePoint Administrator
- Consultant

If you work in these areas, you will see value:

- Marketing
- Information Technology
- Finance
- Sales
- Social Media

The class assumes no prior knowledge of Power BI and Data Concepts.

What is required for this class:
Install Microsoft Power BI Desktop on your laptop
(recommended but not required)
We'll provide an Office 365 site for you to use for
exercises

In this workshop you will:

- Learn how to create Production Dashboards using Power BI, from SharePoint list and document library data
- How to use Power BI in a multitude of situations, including ad hoc analysis and the creation of formal dashboard.
- Learn the Power BI components: Power BI Desktop,
 PowerBI.com, Power BI mobile applications and how they
 can be used with Office 365 and SharePoint
- Receive an introduction into the core functions of Power BI; Data extraction, loading and transformation using Power Query Formula Language ("M") and DAX.
- Receive some guidelines on how to extract Project data in fast manner.
- Discover some data modeling practices that will ensure you have maximum flexibility in analysis. You'll also learn some visualization best practices to ensure you can tell your digital story effectively
- Learn best practices for maintaining content with your organization

This workshop provides an end to end view of Power BI for SharePoint reporting, so that you are able to use Power BI immediately for your needs.

Copilot Studio Deep Dive

Speakers: <u>Prashant G Bhoyar</u>

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot Agents

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G6

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With ChatGPT, other large language models and generative AI have caught the attention of global consumers, enterprises, and c-suite. Microsoft's CEO Satya Nadella Says Microsoft is THE Copilot company. With the adoption of Copilots increasing at a rapid space, there is an exponential rise in the demand for custom Agents and Agent Flows (Custom Copilots).

Microsoft Copilot Studio is a graphical, low-code tool for building agents and agent flows. One of the standout features is its ability to connect to other data sources using either prebuilt or custom plugins. This flexibility enables users to create and orchestrate sophisticated logic, ensuring that their agent experiences are both powerful and intuitive.

In this demo-driven workshop, we will cover advanced topics to create multi-agent systems and autonomous agents using Copilot Studio.

We will cover:

- 1) Microsoft Copilot Studio Key Concepts
- 2) Azure AI Foundry Key Concepts
- 3) What are multi-agent systems and autonomous agents?
- 4) How can organizations use the Microsoft Copilot Studio and Azure AI Foundry to build multi-agent systems and autonomous agents following industry best practices?

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Vibecoding Microsoft 365: Build AI Agents, Admin Scripts, and Web Apps Without Writing Code

Speakers: <u>Chris McNulty</u>

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G8

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What if you could build full-stack applications, automate workflows, and deploy intelligent agents across Microsoft 365—without writing a single line of code? In this hands-on workshop, we'll introduce vibecoding, a rapid prototyping method that blends strategic prompting with AI-powered development. You'll learn how to guide large language models to generate admin scripts, build custom agents, design workflows, and create web applications that integrate seamlessly with Microsoft 365. Drawing from real-world implementations—including OKR trackers, governance dashboards, and agentic workflows—we'll walk through how vibecoding accelerates ideation, reduces development cycles, and empowers business users to become creators.

You'll discover:

- How to use natural language to steer AI toward usable prototypes
- Techniques for refining AI-generated code and content iteratively
- Ways to connect AI agents to Microsoft 365 data, apps, and services
- # Examples of admin scripts and agentic workflows built with Copilot, ChatGPT, and GitHub Copilot
- X How to apply vibecoding in secure, compliant environments

Whether you're a developer, strategist, or business leader,

this session will help you unlock new possibilities for building intelligent solutions—fast!

Wednesday, Nov 5, 2025

07:30 AM - 08:30 AM

Registration and Coffee

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Registration

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08:30 AM - 09:40 AM

KEYNOTE - AI Roundup: Navigating the Frontier of

Innovation

Speakers: <u>Christian Buckley</u>, <u>Susan Hanley</u>, <u>Laura Rogers</u>, <u>Fabian Williams</u>, <u>David Drever</u>, <u>Wes Preston</u>, <u>Treb Gatte</u>,

<u>Mark Rackley</u>

Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: General Session

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From the open frontier of AI, Microsoft technology, business, and policy experts share insights on reshaping industries, navigating challenges, and blazing new trails toward the future.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Empowering corporate communications with Microsoft 365

Speakers: <u>Susan Hanley</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Special Topics

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G1

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Creating and delivering compelling and consistent corporate communications messages across multiple channels can be challenging, especially in the fast-paced and dynamic business environment. In this session, you will learn tips and best practices to improve internal communications. We will talk about new and emerging capabilities in SharePoint News and Viva Engage along with premium capabilities available with Viva Amplify and Copilot. Whether you're a seasoned communicator or a curious novice, this session promises actionable insights, practical tips, and a dash of innovation.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

10 new features in Power Automate everyone should know

Speakers: *Luc Labelle*

Track: Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

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In this illuminating session, we delve into the latest advancements within Power Automate, Microsoft's premier workflow automation platform, to unveil 10 groundbreaking features every enthusiast should be acquainted with.

With the rapid evolution of digital workflows, staying abreast of the latest tools and functionalities is paramount for maximizing productivity and efficiency. Whether you're a seasoned Power Automate user or just embarking on your automation journey, this session offers invaluable insights into the platform's newest capabilities.

Through a blend of insightful analysis, live demonstrations, and practical examples, attendees will discover how these features can streamline processes, enhance collaboration, and drive innovation within their organizations. Join us as we explore the forefront of automation technology and empower you to harness the full potential of Power Automate.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Intro to Power Apps for Microsoft Teams, SharePoint, and Lists

Speakers: <u>Wes Preston</u>

Track: Power Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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Learn when and how to start with Power Apps for M365 makers - within your existing M365 licensing.

If you create business solutions with SharePoint/Microsoft Lists

If you surface information and solutions via Microsoft Teams or SharePoint

If you're concerned with the potential complexity of Power Apps

This session will show why Power Apps canvas apps should be considered part of your toolset.

We will cover:

- Simple extensions of the SharePoint/Microsoft List experience with Power Apps

- How to take data from Lists to Teams and mobile experiences

- Power Apps examples that bring immediate value and set the stage for further enhancements

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

What's New with OneDrive?

Speakers: <u>Drew Madelung</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation, Content Management

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G3

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Have you seen all the new features in OneDrive lately? Are you getting ready to roll-out OneDrive to your enterprise? Or are you just looking to see what you're missing if you aren't actively working with OneDrive yet? OneDrive in M365 is changing quickly and we as endusers and IT professionals need to try keep up. Join me as we walk through the newest improvements to the world of OneDrive for users and administrators. This session will be demo filled and by the end you will see the investment and dedication that Microsoft has too provide a solid file solution.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Get started with Microsoft 365 Copilot

Speakers: <u>Mike Maadarani</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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Participate in this workshop to delve into the capabilities of Microsoft 365 Copilot, empowering you to elevate your creativity, supercharge your productivity, and boost your skill proficiency for a more dynamic work environment.

Microsoft 365 Copilot integrates the capabilities of Large Language Models (LLMs) with your Microsoft Graph data, encompassing your Outlook, Teams, SharePoint, documents, meetings, and many other services. This intelligent engine operates in real-time, offering invaluable assistance to augment creativity, boost productivity, and elevate skill levels, ensuring a seamless and enhanced user experience.

In this workshop, you will learn all about the inner workings of Copilot, how you can prepare for it, and what are the best ways to make the most of it.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Beginners Guide to Power BI

Speakers: <u>Scott Shearer</u>

Track: Power BI, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G8

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This session will provide you with the knowledge that you need to quickly become productive using Power BI.

You will be introduced to:

- Power BI licensing
- Power BI Components
- Using the Power BI Desktop app

- Using the Power BI Service
- How to create reports and dashboards
- Learning Resources

Don't have a Power BI license? You can start using Power BI for free!

Attend this demo-rich session and get started with Power BI!

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Building Real World Agents Using Copilot Studio

Speakers: <u>Jared Matfess</u>

Track: Copilot Agents, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room A

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Agents are all the buzz right now, but how do you get started, and where are businesses realizing value? In this session, we'll explain where agents fit into your technology ecosystem, cover the types of agents, and then dive into real-world scenarios. We'll discuss practical use cases for streamlining business processes, delivering value, and maintaining compliance.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

I've Got Microsoft Purview!... Now What?

Speakers: <u>David Drever</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room B

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When Microsoft Purview is discussed with organizations, it is usually in the context of Information Protection or Records Management. Sometimes, both are known as being part of Purview. But in reality, Microsoft Purview is so much more than just either of these features. Purview is a suite within the Microsoft 365 platform and provides several services to organizations that understand the power of the toolset.

Join David as he highlights, defines, and describes the many features of Microsoft Purview. You'll come away with a working knowledge of Purview and it's many parts. He'll explain the intended use of each feature and provide you with the knowledge you need to answer the question, now what?

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

From Insight to Action: Using Microsoft 365 to

Operationalize Strategy and Planning

Speakers: <u>Chris McNulty</u>

Track: Business Value, M365 Apps

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

Hide details

Strategy and planning doesn't stop at the whiteboard. This session shows how to turn vision into execution using Microsoft 365. Learn how to connect annual goals to weekly actions using Copilot, Viva, Planner, Loop and Power BI. We'll explore how to build a rhythm of business that aligns leadership, empowers teams, and drives measurable outcomes—supported by real-world examples from strategic markets and enterprise transformation.

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Top 5 Use Cases: Building Intelligent & Autonomous AI Agents with Copilot Studio

Speakers: <u>Prashant G Bhoyar</u>

Track: Copilot Agents

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room D

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Microsoft Copilot Studio is a graphical, low-code tool for building agents and agent flows. One of the standout features is its ability to connect to other data sources using either prebuilt or custom plugins. This flexibility enables users to create and orchestrate sophisticated logic, ensuring that their agent experiences are both powerful and intuitive.

In this demo-driven deep dive, we will explore the top five real-world use cases in different domains for intelligent and autonomous AI agents built with Copilot Studio. Attendees will gain actionable insights and best practices to design, deploy, and scale AI agents that meet enterprise demands.

What you'll learn:

- ✓ Core Concepts of Microsoft Copilot Studio
- ✓ Top 5 Use Cases for Intelligent & Autonomous AI Agents in different domains
- ✓ Best Practices for Building Scalable, Enterprise-Grade
 AI Solutions

09:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Exploring Microsoft 365 migration considerations and tools

Speakers: *Brian Alderman*

Track: Admin/Implementation, SharePoint Premium

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room 1

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Congratulations, on your decision to move to Microsoft 365. If your mind is running rampant on how to complete the migration, this session is for you.

We will begin by exploring the steps necessary during the following migration phases

- Before the migration
- Completing the migration
- Managing the cloud-based content after migration

As you can guess, you're going to need to know what the best approach is to complete the migration, so we will also discuss what your migration options are, and what tools are available, including out of the box tools like the SharePoint Migration Assessment Tool (SMAT), the SharePoint Migration Tool (SPMT), Migration Manager, as well as several other tools to help streamline and successfully complete your migration to Microsoft 365.

11:00 AM - 11:40 AM

Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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Ask the Experts 1

Speakers: <u>Norm Young</u>, <u>Jared Kuehn</u>, <u>Laura Rogers</u>, <u>John</u>

<u>Kerski</u>

Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: Ask the Experts

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11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

20 Microsoft 365 Productivity Tips You Need To Know

Speakers: <u>Christian Buckley</u>

Track: Business Value, M365 Apps

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G1

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Back by popular demand and constantly evolving, this fast-paced and engaging session from Microsoft MVP + RD Christian Buckley delivers 20 of the most practical Microsoft 365 productivity tips you can put to use immediately. With each edition of this session freshly updated, you'll discover new time-saving tricks and

overlooked features across Teams, SharePoint, Outlook, and the Office suite—all aimed at boosting personal and team productivity.

Whether you're a seasoned user or just getting started, expect to leave with at least 4 or 5 actionable tips that will change the way you work—plus a few surprises you'll wonder how you ever lived without.

Expect a fun, interactive experience with audience participation. No fluff, no filler—just useful, real-world advice for working smarter in M365.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Ditch the Manual Grind: SharePoint & Power Automate – Beyond the Basics for Every User!

Speakers: Norm Young

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

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Tired of manual tasks and automation that feels like a maze? This session is your shortcut to smarter workflows! We're diving deep into how SharePoint Online, combined with Power Automate, empowers everyone to simplify their daily grind.

Join us to learn how to leverage SharePoint's native "Rules" for quick reminders and notifications, streamline approvals with powerful new in-library features, and supercharge your efficiency with one-click "Quick Steps." Plus, we'll show you how Power Automate takes these automations to the next level for truly complex, multistep scenarios.

Make automation work for you, not the other way around!

Key Takeaways:

- Master SharePoint Rules: Get instant reminders and notifications.

- Streamline Approvals: Implement easy in-library and multi-stage approvals.
- Boost Efficiency with Quick Steps: Automate common tasks with one-click actions.
- Unleash Power Automate: Build complex, cross-service automations.
- Choose Your Tool: Pick the right automation solution for any scenario.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Does Information Architecture Matter Anymore?

Speakers: <u>Marc D Anderson</u>

Track: Content Management, Intranet & Portals/SharePoint

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

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With all the machine learning (ML) and artificial intelligence (AI) available in Microsoft 365 these days, do we still need to think about information architecture? Can automation fulfil the promise of reducing the load on information architects and developers?

In this session, we're review some of the better practices for constructing a powerful information architecture and why it still matters. We'll look at real-world examples and talk about what automation can and can't do for you.

Technology is evolving quickly, so expect to see a few tidbits you don't expect, as well as healthy doses of reality.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Let's talk about Power Apps with Style(s), a look at different ways to pull CSS into Canvas Apps

Speakers: Richard Toland

Track: Power Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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Power Apps is an incredible platform for building quick, functional apps, but when it comes to design and styling, many users feel limited. In this session, we'll dive into different ways to bring advanced styling techniques into your Canvas Apps using CSS. Whether you're looking to create a sleek, professional interface or align with your company's branding guidelines, understanding how to apply styles can elevate your apps from functional to fantastic.

From Power Apps' built-in capabilities for colors and fonts, to Component Controls and Environment Variables, you'll explore several methods for incorporating CSS-like styles into your Canvas Apps. We'll dive into the benefits and challenges of each approach, helping you decide which method works best for your specific needs.

By the end of this session, you'll walk away with practical solutions for creating visually stunning apps that perform as great as they look. If you've ever wanted more design control in Power Apps, this session is for you.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Expectations and Preparation: Keys to Copilot

Success

Speakers: <u>Antonio Maio</u>, <u>Mark Rackley</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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Copilot for Microsoft 365 is a game changer for organizations! The insights and productivity gains are unlike anything we've ever seen before. Organizations have vivid images in their minds about all the amazing things Copilot will do to make their lives better. Most of these ideas started with well-intentioned marketing or communications, but there is a LOT of education needed to level set users on what Copilot for Microsoft 365 can and cannot do. Plus, without proper preparation for Copilot, your organization may face more frustration than transformation. Preparing your organizations data, policies and change management programs is absolutely key to a successful Copilot rollout.

In this candid, real-world session Join MVP's Antonio Maio and Mark Rackley as they help you get the most out of your investment in Copilot while discussing how to effectively prepare you organization so that not only is your infrastructure ready, but so are your users' expectations.

What are Power BI Metrics?

Speakers: *Treb Gatte*

Track: Business Value, Power BI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G8

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In this session, you'll learn about Power BI Metrics and how they can be used in your organization to track the metrics that matter to you.

You'll learn about:

- 1. Scorecards
- 2. Goals
- 3. Check-ins
- 4. Target and Current values

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

From Content to Conversation: SharePoint Agents

in Microsoft 365 Copilot

Speakers: <u>Heidi Jordan</u>

Track: Copilot Agents, M365 Apps

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room A

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SharePoint agents are changing the way we work with content - quietly powerful, always available, and built right into Microsoft 365 Copilot. In this session, Heidi will show you how these agents can turn SharePoint content into meaningful, in-the-moment answers that help people get things done faster. She'll walk through real-world use cases, show you exactly how agents behave in a live demo, and talk through the governance controls that help

you manage them responsibly. Whether you're just getting started or looking to scale, this session will give you a clear, practical look at what SharePoint agents can do - and how to make the most of them.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Utilizing sensitivity labels for Teams, Groups, and SharePoint

Speakers: <u>Drew Madelung</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

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Microsoft Information Protection and Teamwork in Microsoft 365 has come together. You don't need to look at how to always lock down and limit access to solutions. You should be looking at how to empower your employees to work with content securely. The ability to classify M365 Groups and their supporting solutions such as Teams and SharePoint is possible. In this session we will go through how classifications for Microsoft Information Protection work specifically with Teams and SharePoint to keep your content more safe and secure.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Azure-centric, Cyber Resiliency, and Protection for Microsoft 365, Server, and Endpoints

Speakers: *Randy De Meno*

Track: Azure / M365 Development

Level: All

Location: Room C

Hide details

Strengthening your Microsoft 365 cyber-resiliency through reliable data protection is crucial. Learn how to enable zero and low-cost storage for protection, recovery, archiving, compliance, and content search. In this session, we will feature live demonstrations with Azure, including:

- Granular, release independent restores for Microsoft 365 apps and file data surrounding Microsoft 365
- How to use Microsoft OneDrive as an innovative, smart, free and secure storage target
- The options and benefits of public and private cloud storage
- How to enable a full turnkey data protection SaaS solution
- The easy way to search across data within Microsoft 365 for E-discovery and compliance
- Smart, tiered archiving for legacy data within Microsoft 365, SharePoint, and Exchange
- How to meet compliance and data sovereignty requirements

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Getting Started with Power Platform Application Lifecycle Management

Speakers: <u>Haniel Croitoru</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room D

Hide details

The fast growing popularity of the Power Platform as a low code/no code alternative to traditional software development is often coupled with the challenge that

organizations face when it comes to the management and governance needed to ensure successful outcomes.

The Power Platform enables citizen developers and business users to quickly create simple business solutions in production. However, such practices are strongly discouraged when it comes to solutions that impact larger teams or perform on sensitive information. In those scenarios, proper Application Lifecycle Management practices and tools, such as Azure DevOps and GitHub are recommended. Yet these tools are complex in nature and time consuming to set up.

In this session, I will present two relatively new ALM alternatives that exist for citizen developers and business users - Managed Environment Pipelines and the ALM Accelerator. Specifically, we will cover the following topics:

- Overview of the ALM solutions
- Installing prerequisites
- Configurations
- Using them to deploy and track progress

We will end the session by discussing when to use each of these options.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Build Solutions for Microsoft 365 with a Fluent API Library

Speakers: *Julie Turner*

Track: Azure / M365 Development, SharePoint Development

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room 1

For the most part, your imagination is the limit when it comes to extending the Microsoft 365 platform. Join me for a complete look at the PnPjs library, a collection of fluent libraries for consuming SharePoint and Microsoft Graph REST APIs that make building solutions 10x easier and faster. This free, open-source initiative, part of the Microsoft 365 & Power Platform Community can be used within the SharePoint Framework, NodeJS, or any JavaScript/TypeScript based project.

This session will cover using the library within the SharePoint Framework and Azure Functions NodeJS project. We'll cover:

- How to get started, your project template, and establishing context
- An overview of all the packages available and outline the ease of use
- More advanced scenarios like batching and cross site execution.

11:40 AM - 12:50 PM

Power employee engagement with Microsoft Viva, SharePoint, Microsoft Teams, and Copilot

Speakers: <u>Sarah Haase</u>

Track: Viva

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room 2

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Learn how Microsoft Viva, SharePoint, Microsoft Teams, and Copilot come together to foster company culture, unlock communication and engagement opportunities, organize content, and spark employee creativity.

Roundtable Discussion - Tips and Best Practices to Secure, Manage, Automate & Boost Copilot Adoption

Speakers: <u>Stephen Rose</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: All

Location: Room 3

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Join us for an engaging and informal gathering where participants delve into topics that matter to them.

Roundtable Discussions are a space for sharing ideas, perspectives, and experiences with other attendees. Pull up a chair, and let's exchange insights!

12:50 PM - 02:00 PM

Lunch & Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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12:50 PM - 02:00 PM

Ask the Experts 2

Speakers: <u>Susan Hanley</u>, <u>Amarender Peddamalku</u>, <u>Julie</u>

Turner, Richard Toland

Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: Ask the Experts

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01:30 PM - 01:50 PM

Why Securing Active Directory and Entra ID is Critical in the Age of Escalating Cyber Threats

Speakers: <u>Jolaine Yezzi</u>

Track: Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: All

Location: Collab Studio

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In today's threat landscape, identity-related attacks are rapidly increasing in both frequency and sophistication, targeting core identity engines like Active Directory and Entra ID. This presentation will explore the modern attacker's playbook, walking through the typical kill chain and the potential impact on an organization's environment, spanning on-premises infrastructure, cloud, and SaaS applications. We will analyze the limitations and risks associated with current protection strategies—such as relying on point solutions, exposed backup data, and the complexities of Active Directory and Entra ID restoration, which often involve multiple tools and intricate forest-level recoveries.

The session will emphasize the importance of breaking

down silos between identity management, data protection, and security teams. Attendees will come away with practical recommendations for collaborative recovery planning, including the value of conducting mock exercises to ensure readiness. By understanding the evolving threats and rethinking recovery strategies, organizations can better defend their most critical digital assets.

01:30 PM - 01:50 PM

The Hidden Cost of Bad Search: Turning M365 into a Knowledge Powerhouse

Speakers: <u>Todd Blaschka</u>

Track: Search

Level: All

Location: Solution Studio

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Microsoft 365 and Teams power daily work, but poor search leaves employees frustrated and unproductive. Inconsistent tagging and scattered knowledge create silos that waste time and block collaboration. For many organizations, search has quietly become the biggest barrier to unlocking the value of their M365 investment.

This session shares how one global company turned that challenge around. By improving search accuracy, automating metadata, and centralizing taxonomy management, they transformed how employees find and share knowledge across regions and languages.

Attendees will gain practical insights into tackling M365's search problem—and see how better search delivers real business impact applications.

Embracing AI-Powered Change: Driving
Sustainable Adoption in Microsoft 365 with Copilot

Speakers: <u>Michelle Caldwell</u>

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

Hide details

Successful organizational change management is key to maximizing the benefits of Microsoft 365 and Copilot—but it's often underestimated. In this session, we'll explore field-tested strategies to help your users seamlessly integrate AI-driven solutions into their daily workflows. You'll gain a practical adoption framework and critical insights into planning your next Microsoft 365 initiative. Instead of simply driving adoption, we'll focus on designing change for lasting cultural acceptance in the age of AI.

By the end of this session, you'll be equipped to:

- ✓ Develop an effective organizational changemanagement strategy for Microsoft 365
- ✓ Foster user adoption of Copilot and AI-powered productivity tools
- ✓ Build a network of AI advocates and solution champions
- ✓ Create a targeted communication plan for seamless implementation
- ✓ Apply real-world strategies to maximize the impact of Microsoft 365 and Copilot

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

10 new features in Power Apps everyone should know

Speakers: *Luc Labelle*

Track: Power Apps

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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This 60-minute session, delve into the dynamic world of Power Apps as we unveil the top 10 new features transforming the landscape of app development. With the ever-evolving demands of modern businesses, Microsoft's Power Apps continues to evolve, empowering users to create custom applications with unprecedented ease and efficiency.

From enhanced data integration capabilities to advanced automation features, this session will provide a comprehensive overview of the latest innovations in Power Apps. Through live demonstrations, practical examples, and expert insights, attendees will gain valuable insights into harnessing the full potential of Power Apps to streamline processes, boost productivity, and drive digital transformation within their organizations. Whether you're a seasoned Power Apps user or just beginning your journey, join us to discover the gamechanging features shaping the future of app development.

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Creating a Cohesive Brand Identity in Microsoft 365 and Power Platform

Speakers: *Emily Mancini*

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

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Branding is essential for creating a cohesive image across your organization, improving user experience, increasing

engagement, building trust in custom solutions, and reinforcing your organization's identity.

Microsoft 365 offers various branding capabilities through the new Brand Center, Organizational Settings, and themes in the Power Platform to help you achieve brand cohesion.

This session will provide a comprehensive overview of these tools and demonstrate how to use them to enhance your brand's presence and consistency.

We'll explore the SharePoint Brand Center, a centralized application that allows you to manage and deploy your organization's brand assets seamlessly. You'll learn how to use custom fonts, images, logos, colors, templates, and site themes across Microsoft 365 to ensure a unified look and feel. Finally, we'll demo themes in the Power Platform, showcasing how to create branded apps and workflows that reflect your organization's identity backed by user experience better practices.

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Power Automate Expressions With Copilot

Speakers: <u>Scott Shearer</u>

Track: Power Automate, Power User (low-code/no-code,

Team site owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

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A deep knowledge of expressions is critical to maximizing the power of Power Automate. In this demo rich session, we'll take a deep dive into the types of expressions available and how to apply them. You'll also see how Copilot can be a big timesaver when creating and learning about Power Automate expressions.

You'll see how to combine expressions, use expressions to simplify or eliminate conditions, how to use and apply date and string expressions, how to use expressions with collections and arrays and more...

If you have a casual knowledge of Flow and want to "step up your game" with the use of expressions, attend this session!

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Copilot Analytics

Speakers: *Liz Sundet*

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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There are a number of analytics within the M365 Admin center that help understand users' adoption and use of Copilot. This session will explore the analytics and will cover: what you get with Entra AD vs Insights, what are the most common places users take actions, what are the typical prompts being used within the organization. Understanding how your users are interacting allows you to create campaigns for better adoption stickiness while helping to discover where Copilot isn't being used. Create some clarity in your organization and make better decisions using the data that is provided already.

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Capacities Made Simple: Essentials for Smarter

Operations

Speakers: <u>Sanjay Raut</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G8

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With Power BI Premium capacities to Fabric capacities customers are having many questions and doubts. This session aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of Capacities, focusing on key fundamental concepts, basic licensing, and understanding of capacity units. Attendees will gain insights into how capacities are allocated, utilized, and monitored, ensuring optimal performance and cost-efficiency.

- Understand the fundamental concepts of capacities and their importance in managing workloads.
- Gain knowledge of the basic licensing options and how they impact capacity management.
- Learn effective techniques for provisioning, monitoring, and optimizing capacity units.
- Explore strategies for handling workload spikes and ensuring smooth performance.

Target Audience: This session is designed for IT professionals, program managers, and anyone involved in managing and optimizing capacities. Whether you are new to Power BI premium Capacities or looking to deepen your understanding of capacities, this session will provide valuable insights and practical knowledge.

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Excel Reimagined: Mastering Next-Gen Reporting with AI and Other Power Tools

Speakers: <u>Justine Burdo</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room A

Hide details

For decades, Excel has been the backbone of business analysis. But if your reporting still relies on manual data exports, outdated VLOOKUPs, and complex formulas, you're missing out on a revolution in efficiency and accuracy. The future of reporting is here—and while it still lives in Excel, it now lives within a modernized and integrated Excel.

It's time to move beyond static spreadsheets and into the world of dynamic, automated data modeling. In this session, we'll show you how to leverage Microsoft's newest capabilities to transform your reporting from a time sink into a strategic asset.

Together we'll walk through:

Automate Data Processes: Master Power Query and Power Pivot to connect, cleanse, and model data from multiple sources, eliminating manual refreshes and complex ETL work.

Build Smarter Formulas: Unlock the potential of Dynamic Arrays and new functions like FILTER, SORT, and LET to replace convoluted, multi-step formulas with single, intuitive solutions.

Scale Your Insights: Discover how to seamlessly use Excel as a secure front-end for vast, live datasets built in Power BI and Microsoft Fabric, allowing you to create reports that are always accurate.

Leverage AI for Analysis: Get a practical look at how Copilot and other AI tools are being used right now to instantly generate report summaries, clean messy data, and uncover hidden trends, turning hours of work into seconds.

Stop simply surviving in Excel and start thriving by turning your spreadsheet into a dynamic, integrated reporting powerhouse.

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Keep your content fresh and discoverable for Microsoft Copilot with SharePoint Advanced Management

Speakers: *Eric Overfield*

Track: Content Management, SharePoint Premium

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

Hide details

Join us as we explore the power of SharePoint Advanced Management (SAM) found within SharePoint's premium services. SAM can help you keep your content fresh and discoverable for Microsoft Copilot. We will delve into strategies for managing your content lifecycle, including how to enable discovery and collaboration on hundreds of file types, as well as how SAM empowers other facets of SharePoint Premium.

You will learn how to leverage the capabilities of SharePoint Advanced Management to streamline your business processes and enhance user experiences. You will walk away with practical knowledge and actionable strategies to:

- Safely keep your SharePoint content fresh and up-todate - Enable discovery and collaboration on a wide range of file types

- Manage your content lifecycle with SharePoint Advanced Management

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Enhancing User Engagement: Implementing Generative AI Summarization in Power Pages Site Search

Speakers: <u>Kanwal Khipple</u>

Track: Search

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

Hide details

Delve into the new Power Pages site search capabilities that incorporate generative AI summarization. Learn how to configure and deploy AI-driven search functionalities that provide users with precise and relevant summaries, improving information retrieval and overall user experience

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Microsoft Fabric: Lessons from the first 2 Years

Speakers: <u>Jared Kuehn</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation, Power BI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room D

Hide details

As of November 2023, Microsoft made the announcement that Microsoft Fabric was Generally Available. In the time since, many organizations jumped into the exciting world of this emerging technology.

Any fabric, technical or not, needs to be well maintained to retain its initial quality and usefulness. In the same way, your approach to implementing Microsoft Fabric could either set yourself up for a successful, long-term implementation, or one that needs a rebuild in 1-2 years.

In this session, I'll walk through features of Fabric that have lived up to the hyped labels and work as prescribed. I'll also provide demos challenges I've faced with the product and how I've worked through them. Finally, I'll recommend routine activities that should be performed on any Fabric environment to keep it nice and clean.

(If this wasn't enough Fabric references and you need more, check out this session for even more puns!)

02:00 PM - 03:10 PM

Building Intelligent Agents with Azure AI Foundry

Speakers: <u>Manpreet Singh</u>

Track: Azure / M365 Development, Azure AI Studio

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room 1

Hide details

In this session, we'll dive deep into the world of intelligent agents and explore how Azure AI Foundry empowers developers to build and deploy sophisticated AI-driven solutions. Learn how to create agents that can reason, learn, and interact with their environment, automating tasks, enhancing decision-making, and delivering personalized experiences.

Key Topics:

Understanding AI Agents: A comprehensive overview of AI agents, their components, and their potential applications.

Leveraging Azure AI Foundry: Explore the core features and benefits of Azure AI Foundry, including its powerful tools and services.

Building Intelligent Workflows: Design and implement complex workflows that orchestrate multiple AI services to achieve desired outcomes.

Training and Deploying Custom Models: Fine-tune pretrained models or train your own custom models to tailor your agent's behavior.

Integrating with Real-World Systems: Connect your agent to various systems and data sources to automate tasks and gain valuable insights.

Monitoring and Optimizing Performance: Track your agent's performance and make necessary adjustments to ensure optimal operation.

Through hands-on demonstrations and practical examples, you'll gain the knowledge and skills to build intelligent agents that can revolutionize your business processes and user experiences.

03:10 PM - 03:50 PM

Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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03:10 PM - 03:50 PM

Ask the Experts 3

Speakers: <u>Don Kirkham</u>, <u>Prashant G Bhoyar</u>, <u>Charles</u>

Lakes II, Haniel Croitoru

Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: Ask the Experts

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03:20 PM - 03:40 PM

Using Microsoft Copilot agents to automate the identification & archiving of SharePoint content

Speakers: *Mike Davis*

Track: Copilot / AI, M365 Apps, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Collab Studio

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Presented by Preservica, you'll discover the practical steps you can take in using AI tools to automate the identification, archiving and preservation of critical longterm and permanent records in SharePoint. The session includes a real-world example to demonstrates how AI can move from concept to concrete value in information management, providing actionable insights for your own organization's digital transformation journey.

03:20 PM - 03:40 PM

Azure-centric, Cyber Resiliency, and Protection for Microsoft 365, Server, and Endpoints

Speakers: <u>Randy De Meno</u>

Track: Azure / M365 Development

Level: All

Location: Solution Studio

Hide details

Strengthening your Microsoft 365 cyber-resiliency through reliable data protection is crucial. Learn how to enable zero and low-cost storage for protection, recovery, archiving, compliance, and content search. In this session, we will feature live demonstrations with Azure, including:

- Granular, release independent restores for Microsoft 365 apps and file data surrounding Microsoft 365
- How to use Microsoft OneDrive as an innovative, smart, free and secure storage target
- The options and benefits of public and private cloud storage
- How to enable a full turnkey data protection SaaS solution
- The easy way to search across data within Microsoft 365 for E-discovery and compliance
- Smart, tiered archiving for legacy data within Microsoft 365, SharePoint, and Exchange

- How to meet compliance and data sovereignty requirements

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Elevate Your Intranet: Practical Present-Day Tips

for a Future-Ready Platform

Speakers: <u>Susan Hanley</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Intranet & Portals/SharePoint

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

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Ready to transform your intranet into a cutting-edge platform that drives productivity and engagement? Join this exciting session where we reveal ten critical activities to update your intranet using the latest features in Microsoft 365.

In this presentation, we'll review opportunities to update and enhance your intranet using the latest AI-powered tools from Microsoft and more. With Copilot, you can generate new content for your intranet in seconds, from catchy headlines to informative articles – and use agents to quickly deliver the information your users need. With the new branding and personalization capabilities, you can customize your intranet to match your organization's brand and culture and provide a seamless experience for your employees in the flow of work. With flexible options for page design, you can unleash your creativity without the strict column structure of the past. With the latest best practices for discovery and governance, you can ensure that your intranet revitalization is successful and transforms it into a more powerful tool for communication, collaboration, and innovation.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Mastering Power Apps & SharePoint Related Lists

Speakers: *Laura Rogers*

Track: Power Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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Related lists and parent-child forms, also known as repeating tables or sub-lists, and are an important part of many business forms. With related lists and SharePoint lookup columns, there are some important details to understand to work with these types of relationships in Power Apps.

In this session, learn how to configure your sub-forms and repeating tables with SharePoint lists and libraries. This session covers a few different approaches with varying levels of complexity.

With this knowledge, you'll walk away with a fundamental understanding of how to build your own business solutions the right way with Power Apps, and apply these principals in many types of SharePoint scenarios.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Power Automate Multi-Stage Approval Workflows

Speakers: <u>Amarender Peddamalku</u>

Track: Business Value, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

In this session we'll learn how to design and develop Multi-Stage Approval Workflows Using Power Automate.

We will also learn how to restart the workflow from a given stage and how to include Dynamic Approvers. We'll dig into how to design and develop Automated escalations and Automated reminders. We will also learn how to log workflow history and ways to retain the history indefinitely.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Beyond Lift and Shift: Automating File Migrations with Power Platform – A Case Study

Speakers: <u>Jill Hannemann</u>, <u>Drew Madelung</u>, <u>Corey</u>

<u>Harrison</u>

Track: Business Value, Power Apps

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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Traditional file migrations often come with a heavy lift: custom scripts, manual oversight, and many Excel spreadsheets. In this session, we'll explore a real-world case study where the Power Platform was used to drive an automated, scalable, and user-centric file migration from legacy storage to Microsoft 365.

You'll learn how Power Automate, Power Apps, Dataverse, and Copilot Studio were orchestrated to manage a stakeholder review and validation, manage migration jobs, compliance controls, and change management – all without writing traditional code. We'll walk through key architectural decisions, lessons learned, and the impact on IT workload, business readiness, and file management transformation.

Whether you're planning a migration or looking to expand the Power Platform's role in enterprise transformation, this session will provide practical insights and re-usable patterns to accelerate your journey.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

DataOps 101 – A Better Way to Develop and Deliver Data Analytics

Speakers: <u>John Kerski</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G8

Hide details

Power BI has revolutionized the industry by accelerating our ability to deliver Data Analytics solutions. But how do we ensure the code we build is reliable and the data is produced in a timely and trustworthy manner? Enter DataOps, a better way to develop and deliver Data Analytics Solutions. In this session, I'll cover the concept of DataOps, why it matters to Power BI, and the principles that can drive you to continuously improve.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Microsoft Copilot Agents Face Off - Choosing the Right Agent for SharePoint

Speakers: <u>William Huneycutt</u>

Track: Copilot Agents, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

Not all Copilot Agents are created equal—so how do you know which one is right for your SharePoint setup? In this session, we're diving headfirst into the ultimate face-off between out-of-the-box Copilots and custom-built solutions in Copilot Studio. Whether you're looking to get up and running quickly or unleash your inner architect, we'll help you make sense of the options and show you how to get the most out of Microsoft Copilot.

You'll walk away with the know-how to:

- Deploy and Harness Out-of-the-Box Copilots: Learn how to get instant wins with built-in capabilities.
- Design Next-Level Custom Solutions in Copilot Studio: Build advanced, tailored agents that work exactly how you need them.
- Navigate Licensing Like a Pro: Understand the latest requirements so you're always one step ahead.
- Know When to Go Big or Keep It Simple: Compare the pros and cons of off-the-shelf agents versus custom builds for SharePoint.

This session will arm you with the insights, strategies, and maybe even a few laughs to tackle your Copilot decisions with confidence. It's time to get clear, get creative, and get Copiloting!

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Copilot in the Loop: Automating End-to-End Workflows with Power Automate, Azure OpenAI & Teams

Speakers: Daniele Mario Areddu

Track: Azure AI Studio

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

Manual approval chains and inbox overload slow every organization. This demo-heavy session shows how to drop Copilot directly inside Power Automate to read incoming documents, extract intent, summarize risks, and route decisions—all within Microsoft Teams. We'll build a flow that uses Azure OpenAI for extraction, GPT function calls for policy checks, Adaptive Cards for human-in-the-loop review, and Dataverse tables for auditable storage. You'll learn prompt-engineering tricks to keep legal happy, fallback patterns for offline users, and live metrics for cost control. By the final "F5," attendees will have a blueprint they can retrofit to expenses, contract review, or support tickets.

Key Takeaways

Orchestrate GPT calls in cloud flows without breaking governance

Surface Copilot conversations in Teams with Adaptive Cards & Loop components

Measure and cap token usage with environment variables and Azure Cost Insights

Roll back or re-route if the model or network fails

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

From Data Chaos to Copilot Clarity: Real Customer Journeys to Successful Adoption

Speakers: <u>Stephen Rose</u>, <u>Michelle Boyd</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room C

Join us for an insightful session where we explore how real-life organizations have successfully leveraged Microsoft Copilot to transform their data landscape and drive meaningful business outcomes. Using real world customer learnings, we'll uncover how data cleansing and discovery laid the foundation for impactful Copilot usage—and how strategic change management ensured widespread adoption across teams.

You'll walk away with the Top 10 essential actions every organization must take to ensure a smooth and successful Copilot rollout. Whether you're just starting your Copilot journey or looking to optimize adoption, this session will equip you with practical strategies, proven frameworks, and lessons learned from those who've done it right.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Enhancing SPFx projects with Live Data integration to SharePoint, MS Graph and beyond

Speakers: <u>Don Kirkham</u>

Track: Azure / M365 Development, SharePoint Development

Level: Advanced

Location: Room D

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Level 300. SharePoint Framework (SPFx) opens the door to crafting stunning, contemporary solutions for Office 365, Microsoft Teams, and Viva. Yet, the true magic happens when these solutions seamlessly connect to real-time data sources.

In this exciting journey, we'll dive deep into the art of connecting SPFx to SharePoint and Microsoft Graph, unleashing the full potential of your creations. We'll master the art of harnessing REST APIs to forge direct links with these data sources. Moreover, we'll unveil the

secrets of PnPJs and the Microsoft Graph toolkit (MGT), transforming your development process and supercharging the performance of your SPFx solutions.

Join us as we bridge the gap between innovation and data, making your SPFx projects come alive with real-time information. Elevate your solutions to a whole new level of excellence and impact.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Build your Data Estate: A framework for Secure,

Copilot-Ready Success

Speakers: <u>Timothy Boettcher</u>

Track: Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room 1

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For years, organizations have struggled with information sprawl, file oversharing, and poor data management in collaborative spaces like Teams, SharePoint, and file shares. Now, GenAI tools like Microsoft 365 Copilot are exposing these long-standing challenges, making strong data governance a critical first step in securing data and ensuring Copilot readiness. Without clear structures, access controls, and permissions, AI surfaces these issues – amplifying risk, eroding trust, and halting adoption.

In this session, you'll learn practical governance strategies to secure your Microsoft 365 collaborative environment while enabling effective Copilot and GenAI use. We'll cover best practices for collaborative information architecture, data inventory, workspacebased RBAC, and external sharing management, along with key steps to prepare your content for Copilot while

maintaining security and compliance.

Attendees will also receive a starter template to jumpstart their Copilot and content governance strategy.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Enhancing Enterprise Knowledge Discovery through Semantic Enrichment of Microsoft 365 Content

Speakers: <u>Sebastian Gabler</u>

Track: Content Management

Level: All

Location: Room 2

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Modern enterprises are facing increasing complexity in managing and retrieving institutional knowledge stored across platforms. This session will present a technical solution that integrates semantic search and knowledge graph technologies to enhance content discoverability, align information silos, and support intelligent content retrieval and recommendations.

By leveraging automated metadata enrichment, concept linking, and contextual knowledge models, organizations can enable smarter, more context-aware interactions with SharePoint, Outlook, and Teams content. The session will include a walkthrough of key capabilities such as ontology-driven tagging, federated search over structured and unstructured content, and the use of open standards to harmonize enterprise vocabularies. Participants will gain a practical understanding of how semantic technologies can be deployed within existing Microsoft 365 environments to power advanced knowledge management applications.

03:50 PM - 05:00 PM

Roundtable Discussion - AI agents are the answer to almost everything. Or are they...

Speakers: <u>Haniel Croitoru</u>

Track: Copilot Agents

Level: All

Location: Room 3

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Join us for an engaging and informal gathering where participants delve into topics that matter to them.

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05:00 PM - 06:00 PM

Meet the Speakers & Attendee Mix & Mingle in the Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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Join us in the Expo Hall for an evening of conversation and connection. The Meet the Speakers Networking Social offers the chance to mix and mingle with fellow attendees, meet the speakers, and dive deeper into the day's conference topics, all while enjoying drinks, snacks, and a fun, relaxed atmosphere.

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM

Registration and Coffee

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Registration

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09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Transforming Order Processing: The Untapped Potential of Unstructured Insights

Speakers: <u>Spencer Becker</u>, <u>Ryan Mac</u>, <u>Joe Halfman</u>,

Wayne Crowe

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI, Power Automate

Level: All

Location: Room G1

Hide details

Manufacturers are sitting on a wealth of unstructured data hidden in purchase orders, invoices, and emails that slows order processing and drives up costs. In this session, we'll walk through the real solution implemented at Motion Industries, showcasing how Microsoft's unstructured extraction capabilities capture and contextualize critical order details—quantities, SKUs, pricing, and delivery instructions—and integrate them seamlessly into ERP and supply chain systems to reduce errors and accelerate fulfillment. Join us to explore this proven approach, see technical best practices in action, and learn how to develop your own custom solutions leveraging Microsoft's unstructured extraction functionality to unlock efficiency and growth.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Do this, Not that: Power Apps and Power Automate

Edition

Speakers: <u>Heidi Jordan</u>

Track: Power Apps, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

Hide details

Join us for an exciting, fast paced session that will guide users through practical dos and don'ts, drawn from real-world solutions. The goal is to showcase some quick flow and app building concepts, in a "Do this, Not that" fashion, but also demonstrate our reasoning behind them.

Key Power Automate topics include:

- Workflow Architecture: Explore parent/child flows for optimized automation.
- Avoiding Hardcoded Values: Utilize filter queries and lookups for dynamic and adaptable workflows.
- Conditional Scenarios: Master controls like condition and switch for intelligent automation.
- Email Formatting: Enhance communication with HTML and/or Markup.
- Copilot: Tips for the best prompts to create and edit flows

Transitioning to Power Apps, we'll cover:

- Triggering Flows: Efficiently trigger flows with a button click for seamless integration.
- Form On Load Rules: Leverage local data by creating collections for enhanced form behavior.
- Branding and Design: Easily incorporate themes for a

polished user interface.

- Copilot: Tips for the best prompts to create and edit apps

This session offers a rich experience, filled with tips and tricks inspired by hands-on experience. Whether you're a developer, business analyst, or IT professional, join us to gain practical insights and elevate your proficiency in Power Apps and Power Automate!

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Ensure your intranet is ready for Copilot: How to plan an effective governance strategy

Speakers: <u>Susan Hanley</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Special Topics

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G3

Hide details

Are you tired of your intranet being a mess of unorganized, outdated, and non-compliant content? Do you have a governance plan that no one reads, follows, or cares about? Do you want to learn an approach to make your digital workplace more efficient, engaging, and secure?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this session is for you! Learn how to plan and implement governance for your intranet, Microsoft Viva, and Microsoft 365 in a way that actually works – and provides a framework to help you prepare and deploy Copilot. Whether you are new to governance or a seasoned pro, this session will give you the tips, tricks, and templates you need to succeed!

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Get started with Adaptive Cards for Microsoft Teams using Microsoft Lists and Power Automate

Speakers: Norm Young

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

Hide details

Adaptive Cards are popping up everywhere! They're a super flexible way to craft interactive messages that make things happen across the Microsoft 365 and Power Platform world.

In this session, we're going to take those old-school email reminders and turn them into sleek, interactive, and actionable user experiences using Adaptive Cards. We'll dive into Microsoft Lists, Microsoft Teams, and Power Automate with a fun, hands-on approach to solution building.

By the end of this session, we bet you'll be itching to add Adaptive Cards to every project you create!

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Supercharging Creativity: Transforming Ideas into Impactful Content with Microsoft Copilot

Speakers: William Huneycutt

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

Explore how Microsoft 365 Copilot can revolutionize your content creation process from ideation to execution. In this session, we'll demonstrate how to leverage Copilot's advanced ideation, drafting, and content structuring capabilities to produce engaging marketing materials, compelling presentations, and professional digital content. Learn how to transform initial concepts into comprehensive content strategies by combining Copilot's natural language generation, creative assistance, and formatting tools. By the end, attendees will be equipped to use Copilot as a co-creator, capable of accelerating every stage of the creative process.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Mastering the BI Mullet – Managed Self Service BI

Speakers: <u>Lenore Flower</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation, Power BI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G8

Hide details

If your organization has big BI dreams and a limited BI budget, you may need a BI Mullet.

Microsoft describes "Managed self-service BI" as "discipline at the core and flexibility at the edge." This hybrid "BI Mullet" approach empowers end users to develop reports using tools maintained by a central data team.

With the right systems in place, the BI Mullet can encourage innovation and make the most of existing resources. With the wrong ones? Your mullet will get messy fast.

Join this session to learn practical strategies to keep your own BI Mullet on point, including:

- Simplify formatting with customized report themes and templates.
- Eliminate report writing guesswork by tweaking semantic model properties.
- Automate cross-team feedback and collaboration using Power Automate.
- Ensure data stays accessible when it should be and secure when it needs to be.

Every BI Mullet will be a little different. Let's get yours styled right.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Building Smart Agents with Copilot Studio: From Prompt to Production

Speakers: *Luc Labelle*

Track: Copilot Agents, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

Hide details

Copilot agents are transforming how we build intelligent, conversational experiences across the Microsoft ecosystem. In this session, we'll explore how to design, deploy, and govern Copilot agents using Microsoft Copilot Studio and the Power Platform.

You'll learn how to structure agent instructions, integrate data sources, and extend capabilities using tools like Model Context Protocol (MCP), custom connectors, and Power Automate. We'll also cover real-world scenarios, including how to manage agent lifecycle, monitor usage, and ensure compliance with enterprise-grade audit and

sensitivity controls.

Whether you're a maker, architect, or IT leader, this session will equip you with the knowledge to create impactful copilots that enhance productivity and deliver value securely and at scale.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Purview for Information Architects

Speakers: <u>Marc D Anderson</u>

Track: Content Management, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

Hide details

As an information architect, you may have been ceding understanding of Purview to others in your organization – or ignoring it entirely, especially in smaller organizations.

The first thing many organizations want to do is apply some level of retention (Policies or Labels) to their content. If you don't plan well for this, you may end up locking down content you don't intend to lock down, and reversing your decisions can be difficult. This can lead to rapid storage consumption within your tenant, among other issues.

In the end, what you can do well in Purview is dependent on a strong information architecture. Knowing what content is stored where – and being able to identify it in Purview – is the big key to success. Purview depends in part on search, and search works well with a strong information architecture.

If you're embarking on this journey, perhaps due to wanting to roll out Copilot in your organization, this session will give you some Purview basics, considerations to apply to your information architecture, and some of the pitfalls we've seen in the field.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Get Real-Time User Insights for Your SharePoint Users with Microsoft Clarity

Speakers: <u>Asif Rehmani</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, SharePoint Premium

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room C

Hide details

Curious how your users are interacting with your Microsoft SharePoint environment? Discover how the free Microsoft Clarity tool can transform your understanding with real-time behavioral analytics. No more relying on surveys!

Learn how to leverage heatmaps, session recordings, and spot key issues like dead clicks and rage clicks to boost user adoption, improve training, and enhance governance. Don't miss this opportunity to take your user insights to the next level!

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

From Chaos to Clarity: Hyperautomation That

Actually Works

Speakers: <u>Danielle Moon</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room D

Hide details

In a world drowning in disconnected tools and manual processes, hyperautomation offers a lifeline—but only if done right. In this session, we'll cut through the buzzwords and show how to build intelligent, scalable automation using AI (Copilot Studio) and the Power Platform. Learn how to identify high-impact use cases, avoid common pitfalls, and deliver measurable business value. Whether you're a strategist or a maker, you'll walk away with a blueprint for clarity in the chaos.

Expected Outcomes:

- 1. Strategic Frameworks: Attendees will gain a clear framework for identifying and prioritizing automation opportunities that align with business goals.
- 2. Real-World Use Cases: Participants will leave with practical examples of how AI and Power Platform can be used to streamline operations and reduce manual overhead.
- 3. Execution Confidence: Leaders and makers alike will feel empowered to launch or scale hyperautomation initiatives with measurable ROI.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Azure Functions: Real world scenarios & NodeJS implementation overview

Speakers: *Julie Turner*

Track: Azure / M365 Development, SharePoint Development

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room 1

In this session, we will explore the powerful capabilities of Azure Functions for extending Microsoft 365.

We will begin by discussing the various use cases for Azure Functions, including their ability to trigger actions when items in Microsoft 365 change and their application as Timer Jobs. We will delve into the integration with SharePoint Framework (SPFx) APIs using the On-Behalf-Of (OBO) flow and discuss how queues can be used to provide the most resilient solutions.

The remainder of the session will be devoted to giving an overview how implementing Azure functions using NodeJS (although you absolutely can do them with C#/Visual Studio). We'll include the getting started configuration, and a brief word about CommonJS vs ESModules. We'll then discuss security considerations by showing basic Entra ID application registration but discuss how we can implement Managed Identity using Azure Identity to securely access other parts of your tenant. The session will also include a detailed look at the OBO Flow. We'll finish up by discussing queues and requeuing options.

Join me to gain a comprehensive understanding of how Azure Functions can be used to extend Microsoft 365, improve efficiency, and enhance security.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Roundtable Discussion - Theater Techniques to Improve your Presentations

Speakers: <u>Jared Kuehn</u>

Track: Special Topics

Level: All

Location: Room 3

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10:10 AM - 10:50 AM

Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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10:10 AM - 10:50 AM

Ask the Experts 4

Speakers: <u>Norm Young</u>, <u>Jared Matfess</u>, <u>Jared Kuehn</u>, <u>Treb</u>

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Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: Ask the Experts

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10:20 AM - 10:40 AM

The Connected Spreadsheet Revolution: Unlocking

Real-Time Data and Efficiency

Speakers: <u>Justine Burdo</u>

Track: M365 Apps

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Collab Studio

Hide details

Despite headlines claiming the end of the spreadsheet era, over two billion people still rely on Excel because of its unmatched flexibility for analysis and modeling. The problem isn't the spreadsheet; it's the broken workflow that requires exporting static CSVs, endless copy-pasting, and dealing with outdated data. This process creates massive data silos and error-prone reports, delaying crucial business decisions.

It's time to transform your spreadsheets into a dynamic, connected analytical powerhouse. Learn the exact mechanisms that unlock real-time data and efficiency by bridging the gap between Excel and your core IT systems, including:

Solve the Data Disconnect: Understand why static CSV exports kill decision-making and how Connectivity APIs enable bi-directional data flow between Excel and systems like NetSuite and Salesforce.

Achieve Real-Time Reporting: Learn how a simple "refresh" button replaces weekly data exports, giving you immediate access to the most recent data for agile scenario planning and accurate analysis.

Eliminate Manual Data Entry: See powerful use cases for

bulk data management, including using Excel to quickly query, edit, and create thousands of new records in your CRM/ERP without the tedious web UI.

Conquer Error Management: Discover how connected spreadsheets spot and mark data validation errors before you upload, ending the frustrating, multi-step process of reconciling bad data.

Stop working around your systems and start working with them. See how integrating Excel can accelerate your expensive resources and empower your team with a single source of truth.

10:20 AM - 10:40 AM

Empowering Site Owners to Take Control of SharePoint Permissions & Sharing Links

Speakers: <u>Brett Lonsdale</u>

Track: Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Solution Studio

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Keeping track of who has access to what in SharePoint Online is one of the biggest headaches for IT admins and business users alike. Site Owners are often expected to manage permissions and sharing responsibly, yet they're given little more than complex permission pages and incomplete reports. The result? Over-sharing, compliance risks, and frustrated Site Owners.

In this session, we'll show how you can empower Site Owners with the tools they need to:

Instantly report on permissions and sharing links across

their sites.

Identify external sharing risks and fix them without raising tickets.

Schedule regular permission reviews to stay compliant.

Take action in bulk — removing sharing links, reassigning permissions, and more.

All of this is made possible through DeliverPoint, our SharePoint Permissions Management tool that puts actionable, accurate reporting directly in the hands of Site Owners.

Why you should come:

If you've ever worried about over-sharing in your tenant, struggled with permission reviews, or been buried under admin requests from Site Owners — this session will show you how to reduce risk, save time, and empower your users to manage permissions confidently.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Microsoft Loop: The Essential Tool for Microsoft 365

Users!

Speakers: <u>William Huneycutt</u>

Track: M365 Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

Hide details

Experience unparalleled team collaboration with Microsoft Loop, the newest addition to the Microsoft 365 suite! Loop redefines teamwork by offering highly collaborative

workspaces, customizable pages, and dynamic, reusable components, all seamlessly integrated within the Microsoft 365 ecosystem.

Unlock your team's full potential with Microsoft Loop.

Design shared workspaces, tailor pages to fit your specific needs, and effortlessly integrate notes, task assignments, and real-time synchronized lists. This innovative app enhances productivity and ensures that your team remains synchronized and efficient.

Microsoft Loop meets teammates where they work, seamlessly integrating with Microsoft Teams, Outlook, Whiteboard, Word, and more. Plus, explore the possibilities with the brand-new Loop app! This integration facilitates easy access, sharing, and collaboration on content across various platforms, catering to your team's diverse working environments and styles.

Transform the way your team works with Microsoft Loop. Its powerful features and seamless integration make it the go-to collaboration hub for Microsoft 365 users. Dive into the future of teamwork and harness the power of Microsoft Loop today!

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Build Your Own Copilot (Jarvis) with Copilot Studio

Speakers: <u>Manpreet Singh</u>

Track: Copilot Agents, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G6

Join me for an exciting session where we delve into the world of Copilot Studio, a revolutionary platform that empowers developers to build their custom bot assistants inspired by the capabilities of Copilot. Whether you're a seasoned developer looking to streamline or a curious enthusiast eager to explore the possibilities of AI and building BoTs, this session is for you.

Throughout this interactive session, participants will:

- Introduction to Copilot Studio: Gain a comprehensive understanding of Copilot Studio and how it empowers developers to create personalized assistants. Learn about the underlying AI technologies and the philosophy behind Copilot Studio's design.
- Designing Your Assistant: Explore the intuitive interface of Copilot Studio as I guide you through the process of designing your coding assistant. From defining knowledge data sources to customizing topics or prompts, discover how to tailor your assistant to suit your unique requirements.
- Training Your Assistant: Dive into the training process as I will demonstrate how to teach your assistant to understand context, identify topics, and generate relevant data. Learn best practices for optimizing training data and fine-tuning your assistant's performance.
- Advanced Features and Use Cases: Gain valuable insights and tips for effectively using Copilot Studio to maximize its benefits.

By the end of this session, participants will be equipped with the knowledge and tools to embark on their journey of building and customizing their Copilot-inspired assistants with Copilot Studio. Whether you're a seasoned

developer or just starting out, this session will provide you with the knowledge and skills to unlock the full potential of Copilot Studio.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Building your organizational home site & hubs strategy

Speakers: <u>Sarah Haase</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

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It's a flat new world in SharePoint. We've moved on from classic and hierarchical site collections and built an array of modern sites. But how do we organize our content, sites, and intranets in this new world? This session introduces home sites and hubs and provides guidance on how to build a strong content management strategy for their use. We'll define what home sites and hubs are, lay the conceptual groundwork for understanding their use, and provide a creative new way of conceptualizing the logical ties between your myriad of flat SharePoint sites. We'll also discuss how Viva Connections plays into our intranet and home site strategy.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Travel Requests Tamed: No-Code Approval System with Power Apps, Power Automate, and Copilot

Speakers: *Laura Rogers*

Track: Copilot / AI, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

Hide details

Managing travel requests (or any type of request forms) shouldn't be a headache—no more lost forms, approval bottlenecks, or endless email chains. In this session, see how to build a no-code travel request system using Power Apps, Power Automate, and Copilot. We'll create a Power Apps form for employees to submit travel plans, automate multi-level approvals with Power Automate, and use Copilot to generate policy snippets and trip summaries in seconds. You'll walk away with a practical, no-code framework that improves efficiency and saves admin time. Bring your questions—we'll tackle real-world challenges together!

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

From Spreadsheets to Scalable Solutions with Power Apps

Speakers: <u>Andrew Hess</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Power Apps

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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Excel is one of the most versatile tools for data analysis and a cornerstone of many business processes. However, as organizations grow, the need for solutions that can support complex, multi-user workflows and large-scale applications becomes critical.

This session examines Excel's role in these scenarios, highlighting its capabilities and limitations. As organizations grow, relying solely on Excel can limit scalability, security, and collaboration. We'll focus on seamlessly moving data out of Excel into more robust data sources and show you practical steps to ensure a

smooth transition to a platform that supports your organization's evolving needs.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

What is Power BI Developer Mode?

Speakers: <u>John Kerski</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G8

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With the introduction of Power BI Developer Mode, the game has changed for data professionals. This session will explore how Power BI development practices can be enhanced using the PBIP format and the new capabilities it brings. We'll dive into how Developer Mode supports better version control and share tips for leveraging this feature to accelerate your team's work.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Discover SharePoint Agents: Elevate the

Knowledge within Your SharePoint Investment

Speakers: *Eric Overfield*

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

Hide details

Are your teams facing challenges in managing knowledge and encountering collaboration hurdles due to buried SharePoint data? SharePoint Agents provide a robust solution by offering both pre-integrated and customizable intelligent AI agents that streamline workflows, enhance

productivity, and improve communication. Join us to explore the world of SharePoint Agents and discover how they can revolutionize your organization's approach to SharePoint data management, collaboration, and task execution.

In this session, we will delve into a wide array of topics, including the fundamentals of using, creating, and sharing SharePoint Agents, extending their capabilities, licensing, and integrating agents with Microsoft Teams for seamless collaboration. You will learn how to leverage SharePoint Agents to boost team productivity, enhance user experience, and drive innovation within your organization. By the end of this session, you will have a clear understanding of how to harness the full potential of SharePoint Agents to achieve your business objectives.

Key Takeaways:

- Master the use, creation, and customization of SharePoint Agents to meet your specific needs.
- Discover best practices and cost considerations for utilizing SharePoint Agents within your organization.
- -Learn how to integrate SharePoint Agents with Microsoft Teams chats and apps for enhanced collaboration.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Real-World Implementation Experiences with Microsoft Purview

Speakers: <u>Antonio Maio</u>

Track: Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

Organizations have invested heavily in recent years in moving to Microsoft 365 to improve productivity and collaboration. With this transition comes incredible opportunities to increase business efficiencies. However, it also brings increased risks as users collaborate more with internal coworkers as well as with external partners and customers. In addition, the continually changing regulatory compliance landscape makes this an ever evolving challenge. Microsoft has provided a robust set of capabilities for mitigating risks and meeting compliance obligations with Microsoft Purview, such as information protection, data loss prevention, records management and eDiscovery. In this session, we'll share real-world experiences implementing Microsoft Purview across different types of organizations. We'll deep dive into many the features of Purview, share real examples and provide actionable guidance to help you leverage Microsoft Purview to mitigate risks and comply with regulations in your organization.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Deep dive into Microsoft Teams Channels

Speakers: <u>Mike Maadarani</u>

Track: Microsoft Teams

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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Microsoft Teams consist of three main channel categories: Standard, Private, and Shared. In this session, we will review the functionality and differences of each channel and explain the use case scenario of each one.

We will explain the architecture of each channel, the differences between the previous Guest experience and the current B2B architecture, and how to best collaborate

with others within your tenant or external users. We will finish the session by discussing how you can govern access to your data in each channel scenario.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Unlocking Seamless Collaboration: Microsoft 365

Multi-Tenant Organizations

Speakers: *Alan Cox*

Track: Admin/Implementation, Microsoft Teams

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room D

Hide details

In today's interconnected business landscape, organizations often collaborate with partners, suppliers, and customers who use different Microsoft 365 tenants. Microsoft Multi-Tenant Organizations (MTO) provide a solution to seamlessly connect these disparate tenants, enabling efficient collaboration and resource sharing. In this session, we explore the concept of MTO, its use cases, benefits, and configuration.

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

From Prompt to Production: Building Responsible

Gen-AI Apps with Azure AI Studio

Speakers: <u>Daniele Mario Areddu</u>

Track: Azure AI Studio

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room 1

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Azure AI Studio, now generally available with access to 1,600+ foundation and open-source models, lets

Microsoft 365 and Power Platform professionals go from a clever prompt to an enterprise-ready Copilot in hours, not months. In this demo-heavy session you'll learn how to:

Design multimodal prompts and chains in Prompt Flow.

Ground large-language models with your SharePoint or Dataverse data using Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG).

Govern outputs with built-in Content Safety, evaluations and cost dashboards.

Deploy as an Azure function, a Teams app, or a Power Automate connector—then surface the same logic inside Microsoft 365 Copilot.

We'll walk through a live scenario that turns an internal policy PDF library into a secure "Ask HR" Copilot, highlighting pitfalls (token limits, latency) and best-practice mitigations. You'll leave with a GitHub starter repo, a cost estimator sheet, and a checklist for responsible rollout.

Microsoft

Key Takeaways

How Azure AI Studio's Prompt Flow accelerates prototyping and A/B testing

Implementing RAG with Azure AI Search in three steps

Mapping governance features (Content Safety, evaluations) to your compliance needs

Packaging and sharing your Copilot inside Teams, Power Apps, or Outlook

10:50 AM - 12:00 PM

Roundtable Discussion - Full Observability for Agentic Workloads: Dev Traceability to Admin

Insights

Speakers: <u>Fabian Williams</u>

Track: Copilot Agents

Level: All

Location: Room 3

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Join us for an engaging and informal gathering where participants delve into topics that matter to them.

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12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

Lunch & Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

Ask the Experts 5

Speakers: Julie Turner, Luc Labelle, Haniel Croitoru, Heidi

<u>Jordan</u>

Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: Ask the Experts

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12:30 PM - 12:50 PM

Turning Routine Work into Smart Workflows: Real-World Automation in Microsoft 365

Speakers: <u>Cassandra Ottawa</u>, <u>Sachin Jain</u>, <u>Piyush Goel</u>

Track: Business Value, Power Apps

Level: All

Location: Collab Studio

Hide details

Tired of repetitive manual work slowing your business down? See how Microsoft 365 and the Power Platform can turn everyday tasks into smart, automated workflows that save time and eliminate errors. This session showcases a real-world Power Apps solution connected with SharePoint, Power Automate, and ERP systems to power intelligent lot tracking, cloud printing, and OCR-driven invoice processing. Experience how a low-code approach can revolutionize productivity, streamline operations, and deliver real-time visibility, all from any device, anywhere.

Transforming Order Processing: The Untapped

Potential of Unstructured Insights

Speakers: <u>Ryan Mac</u>, <u>Wayne Crowe</u>

Track: Business Value

Level: All

Location: Solution Studio

Hide details

Manufacturers are sitting on a wealth of unstructured data hidden in purchase orders, invoices, and emails that slows order processing and drives up costs. In this session, we'll walk through the real solution implemented at Motion Industries, showcasing how Microsoft's unstructured extraction capabilities capture and contextualize critical order details—quantities, SKUs, pricing, and delivery instructions—and integrate them seamlessly into ERP and supply chain systems to reduce errors and accelerate fulfillment. Join us to explore this proven approach, see technical best practices in action, and learn how to develop your own custom solutions leveraging Microsoft's unstructured extraction functionality to unlock efficiency and growth.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Creating, Tracking and Measuring Modern Surveys

Speakers: <u>Christian Buckley</u>

Track: Business Value, M365 Apps

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G1

Hide details

It is critical for IT, change managers, and end-user experience management experts to leverage advanced feedback tools and strategies. Creating scalable and

repeatable feedback mechanisms is imperative for driving organizational change and enhancing the end-user experience, as well as understanding and analyzing usage, engagement, impact, and calculating ROI, thereby aiding in strategic decision-making processes.

This session promises to equip Leadership, User Enablement, and Technical Readiness experts with the knowledge and tools necessary to implement efficient feedback mechanisms that not only enhance the user experience but also support organizational development in the AI-driven workplace.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Intro to Dataverse for M365 Makers

Speakers: Wes Preston

Track: Power Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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Whether you migrate from Lists or start solutions from scratch, Dataverse brings more robust data capabilities and more opportunities to leverage Copilot in the maker process.

If you haven't checked out Dataverse yet, now's the time.

Adding Dataverse is an investment in time, skills, and
licensing. Know when to engage and what to expect.

- Learn what Dataverse is and where it fits in the maker toolset.
- Cover what the differences are between Dataverse, Microsoft Lists, and other data sources and talk through

some of the 'what to use when' considerations as Lists solution builders integrate with and shift to Power Platform tools.

- Get a perspective on the maker skills needed when using Dataverse and how to get started in your organization.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Leverage SharePoint Advanced Management to Prepare for Copilot

Speakers: *Liz Sundet*

Track: Copilot / AI, Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

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Oversharing is one of the single most feared elements in rolling out Copilot. The reason is because people don't know where they have overshared or how to start to tackle it in order to make Copilot more productive. The features in SharePoint Advanced Management help oversharing, but also concerns like having multiple owners, locking down sites from being discovered by Copilot and fine tuning your organization to be secure, compliant and ready for the AI revolution. Be prepared by understanding these elements and where to start.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Modern Processes w/ Power Automate

Speakers: <u>Charles Lakes II</u>

Track: Power Automate, Power User (low-code/no-code,

Team site owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

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Are you getting the most out of your cloud infrastructure? More and more organizations are embracing the cloud, adopting SaaS solutions, and taking the opportunity to reimagine many of their legacy on-prem processes. Power Automate, the low-code automation offering of the Power Platform, helps modernize many of these workflows. Let's discuss some automation basics, ideal practices, and opportunities for efficiency.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Strategic AI Adoption: Lessons Learned from

Scaling Copilot Across the Enterprise

Speakers: *Jill Hannemann*

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G7

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AI is no longer a future initiative – it's a present priority. As AI transforms the modern workplace, enterprises face critical decisions around adoption, governance, and long-term strategy. In this session, we'll share our organization's journey to scale Microsoft Copilot – from pilot to enterprise-wide roll out.

Learn how we developed a practical roadmap, established governance and data readiness, and ensured security and compliance ever step of the way. We'll explore how we're measuring adoption and ROI, using training and change management to drive sustained engagement, and embedding AI capabilities into day-to-day workflows.

We'll also discuss our approach to data governance and information protection, share lessons learned, and provide a look ahead at how we're expanding Copilot use cases and building toward a broader AI-enabled future.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Data Gateways to Power BI

Speakers: <u>Sanjay Raut</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G8

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The session talks about one of the niche topics, Power BI On-Premises Data Gateway. It covers brief architecture of Data Gateway communication, Best Practices for setting up data gateway and V-Net Data Gateways architecture. Though track is for the intermediate level, I talk about some basics depending on the audience.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

How to Avoid AI Disasters: Copilot, Data Security, and Unintended Consequences

Speakers: *Treb Gatte*

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room A

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Say your company rushes in the coming months to implement a Copilot over their Intranet. An employee asks the Copilot, "How much does my co-worker make?" How will it answer?

This scenario becomes plausible as Copilot is connected to data sources for Q&A activities. If the data related to pay, layoffs, and other sensitive topics is accessible by the AI, it's possible that an employee could get an answer to their question. You should take great care before connecting it to your own internal data.

Unfortunately hearing GPT, AI and Machine Learning terms thrown about like doubloons at a Mardi Gras parade in the news is giving many organizations FOMO. We'll discuss what you should know before you jump in.

In this session, we'll address:

- What are these technologies and how they will impact you
- How can these technologies be used in your organization
- Data and security considerations
- Preparing for unintended consequences

Join us to learn about this brave new world and how you could apply it in your own work.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Protecting Your Organization from the Inside with Insider Risk Management

Speakers: <u>David Drever</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

When someone hears the term data breach, they immediately think of an attack by a hacker or group of hackers from outside the organization, worming their way through the company's security infrastructure and accessing its sensitive data. That person would be correct, But many businesses don't realize that over 40% of all data breaches involve someone from within their organization. Whether malicious or accidental, many data breaches are caused by an internal actor. Insider Risk Management within Microsoft 365 provides protections to help ensure an organization can protect itself from within.

In this session, attendees will learn the features of Insider Risk Management, how it can be used to monitor and protect sensitive data, the various templates available, and which template will best meet their needs. Advanced options such as adaptive protections and forensic evidence gathering will be discussed. Finally, attendees will come away with a real-world understanding of how best to implement insider risk management within their organizations to protect themselves from the inside.

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

Teams First Information Architecture and Governance

Speakers: <u>Peter Carson</u>

Track: Microsoft Teams, Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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When planning out or updating a Microsoft 365 implementation, SharePoint is still important, but it really needs to start with Teams, and then the underlying SharePoint structure for a big part flows out of that. It's

not just answering planning questions, but also ensuring that everyone understands that Teams is much more than a meeting and chat platform.

Topics we'll cover in this session include:

Introducing a maturity model on how organizations leverage Teams, SharePoint, Email, and OneDrive Level setting on how they work together Understanding the differences between Standard, Private, and Shared Channels, and the underlying SharePoint site collections

Where do standalone Communication and Team Sites fit into the Teams and SharePoint structure
Guests versus B2B Direct Connect in Teams, and external

Open source scripts and Power BI dashboards to inventory and analyze your file shares, SharePoint on-premises, and SharePoint Online

Answering the question - what does a Team and a
Channel represent in my organization
MindJet as a tool for planning your IA
Commercial and open-source solutions for implementing
your IA

Real-world scenarios and case studies

01:00 PM - 02:10 PM

sharing in SharePoint

Build external-facing websites using Power Pages

Speakers: <u>Amarender Peddamalku</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room D

Microsoft Power Pages is a secure, enterprise-grade, low-code software as a service (SaaS) platform for creating, hosting, and administering modern external-facing business websites. Power Pages provides you with rich, customizable templates, a fluid visual experience through a reimagined design studio, and a new, integrated learning hub to quickly build sites that suit your unique business needs.

We'll learn how to create powerful external-facing websites that allow users outside their organizations to sign in with a wide variety of identities, create and view data in Microsoft Dataverse, or even browse content anonymously.

Also, we'll learn to quickly create a website and customize it with pages, layout, and content.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Empowering Internal Customer Service Roles with Custom Copilots

Speakers: <u>Emily Mancini</u>

Track: Copilot Agents

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G1

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Internal customer service roles often face the challenge of managing repetitive and interrupt-driven tasks. Microsoft 365's custom Copilots provide a powerful solution by automating routine processes, allowing professionals to focus more on strategic initiatives and more meaningful work.

Join us as we explore how to develop and implement

custom Copilots tailored to support internal customer service roles. We will cover use cases in Human Resources where Copilots can streamline tasks like onboarding, supporting hiring, and addressing benefits questions. Discover how these intelligent assistants can efficiently handle routine inquiries, reducing interruptions and free up valuable time to build deeper connections across the organization. Empower your team with the tools to transform their workflow and enhance their impact.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

AI and Automation - Better together

Speakers: <u>Haniel Croitoru</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Power Automate

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G6

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Over the past few years, many industries have seen capitalized on benefits that Generative AI provides. Whether it is used to summarize conversations, create new documents from existing content or analyze sales leads for a likelihood of conversion, these actions are saving companies time and money.

However, discussions of Generative AI adoption often occur in isolation of other business processes, thus leaving additional opportunities for modernization on the table.

Intelligent Business Automation is the culmination of digital or robotic process automation coupled with machine learning and AI. In this session, I will be introducing the concept and provide concrete examples of

how the combined efforts of automation and AI can further advance an organization towards its innovation goals.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Introduction to JSON to master customizing SharePoint

Speakers: <u>Mark Rackley</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, SharePoint

Development

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

Hide details

JSON is EVERYWHERE in SharePoint Online and your ability to take your SharePoint deployments to the next level depend on your ability to understand and create complicated JSON objects. In this densely demo-packed session, attendees will learn:

- What is JSON and how to understand the structure
- Tips for creating JSON objects and starting with community content as a starting point

Attendees will also learn how to use JSON Objects in SharePoint Online to:

- Customize list columns and list views
- Create Site Designs for creating custom site templates
- Create stunning Quick Views for Viva Connections ACE's
- Post messages in teams as Adaptive Cards
- Process SharePoint REST queries in Power Automate
- and more!!

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Model Driven Power Apps are cool, I will prove it to you!!!

Speakers: <u>Scott Roller</u>

Track: Power Apps, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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I am aware that there are many other technologies that are considered to be sexier than Model Driven Apps but allow me to show you how cool they can be. When I am done you may have a different opinion about these secure and robust business applications.

When you need to quickly create a robust application that lives on the Dataverse that can handle new and/or legacy data, has access to the Power Platform and has the Microsoft security model look no further.

We will create a new Model Driven App from scratch with new fields, relationships, app theming, security roles and Power Platform components on the fly. Together we will experience just how easy and powerful creating native Model Driven Apps on the Dataverse can be for low-code and pro developers.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Getting started with Model Context Protocol (MCP) and Why Should You Care

Speakers: Fabian Williams

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G7

Ever wondered how tools like ChatGPT or Claude can access real-time business data, like your files, calendar, or emails—safely and securely? Enter Model Context Protocol (MCP): a new open spec designed to let AI assistants talk to your data using plugins.

In this beginner-friendly session, we'll break down the basics of MCP—what it is, how it works, and why it matters. You'll learn how MCP makes AI assistants more powerful, contextual, and useful in your daily workflows, especially with Microsoft 365 and Graph API. Whether you're a developer, product manager, or tech enthusiast, this session will help you understand how MCP bridges AI and enterprise systems.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Bring Your SharePoint Data to Life Using Power BI!

Speakers: <u>Scott Shearer</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G8

Hide details

Power BI can transform how your users see and interact with your SharePoint data!

In this session, you'll learn tips, tricks and best practices for using SharePoint with Power BI.

We'll start by discussing the "out of the box" SharePoint list integration with Power BI and Power BI licensing. Then we'll move on to importing list data into Power BI and transforming that data. Finally, we'll create and publish a Power BI report and embed that report on a SharePoint page.

Attend this session and see how Power BI can bring you SharePoint data to life!

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Selling Your CFO: A Proven Framework to Justify the Financial Investment of ANY Technology Solution

Speakers: <u>Daniel Amaro</u>

Track: Business Value

Level: All

Location: Room A

Hide details

Great ideas often stall because they lack a strong business case. Whether you're pitching an intranet redesign, rolling out Microsoft Teams, implementing Microsoft 365 Copilot, or building a custom Copilot agent, the question from leadership is always the same: What's the ROI?

In this session, you'll learn a repeatable framework for building a compelling financial justification for any technology project. We'll cover:

- The 4-Step ROI Model: A simple, adaptable process for quantifying value and costs.
- Key metrics and benchmarks that resonate with CFOs and decision-makers.
- ROI formulas and real-world examples for intranets,
 Microsoft 365 Copilot, and Teams deployments.
- How to translate technical benefits into business outcomes for both technical and non-technical audiences.

You'll leave with a practical, reusable model - plus access to an interactive online ROI calculation agent - that will

help you turn "We can't afford this" into "We can't afford not to do this."

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

AI-Powered Project Planning with Teams, Copilot, and Planner

Speakers: <u>Michelle Boyd</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Microsoft Teams

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room C

Hide details

Learn prompting best practices to generate structured, actionable project plans using Microsoft 365 Copilot in Teams. This session will show you how to guide Copilot with effective natural language prompts to create project plan templates in Microsoft Planner—complete with tasks, buckets, assignments, and timelines. Whether you're starting from scratch or standardizing repeatable workflows, you'll walk away with practical techniques to turn ideas into organized plans in minutes.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Elevate Your Lists to Superhero Status: Custom Formatting Unleashed

Speakers: <u>Don Kirkham</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Power User (low-

code/no-code, Team site owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room D

Hide details

Level 200. Modern lists in SharePoint have undergone a remarkable transformation. The introduction of the Lists app in Office 365 has opened up a world of possibilities, leveraging the same modern SharePoint lists. While native customization options are plentiful, the true potential lies in the realm of custom list formatting.

Join us on an exciting journey, beginning with straightforward tips and gradually ascending to the point where your list views become a no-code powerhouse.

Learn how to harness the magic of custom list formatting and witness your lists transform into dynamic and visually amazing tools in your arsenal.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Intro to T-SQL Data Manipulation Language

Speakers: <u>Jared Kuehn</u>

Track: Azure / M365 Development, Special Topics

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room 1

Hide details

From early database management systems to modern data platforms like Microsoft Fabric, SQL has withstood the test of time. This language can be powerful in its navigation of data relationships, calculation of detailed or aggregate values, or adjustment of records stored in tables. All of these capabilities fall under the term Data Manipulation Language (DML). This language can enable many data practitioners, from technical engineers to citizen developers, to harness data in their database and bend it to their needs. From ad-hoc analytics, to application backends, to AI/ML implementations - SQL can help all of these use cases.

Suppose you have not had the opportunity to learn SQL

DML and would find use for your work. This introductory session to Microsoft's version of SQL, called Transact SQL or T-SQL, is a great place to start. Join this session to learn T-SQL DML from the ground up, starting with the SELECT statement and all of its primary clauses.

02:20 PM - 03:30 PM

Roundtable Discussion - M365 Copilot Adoption - What Works, What Doesn't

Speakers: <u>Asif Rehmani</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: All

Location: Room 3

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03:30 PM - 04:20 PM

Expo Hall

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Expo Hall

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03:30 PM - 04:20 PM

Ask the Experts 6

Speakers: Laura Rogers, Prashant G Bhoyar, Treb Gatte,

Manpreet Singh, Daniele Mario Areddu

Track: No Track

Level: All

Location: Ask the Experts

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04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

OneDrive Administration Deep Dive

Speakers: <u>Drew Madelung</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation, Content Management

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G1

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OneDrive is a key workload in Microsoft 365 and can be an integral part of your collaboration strategy. OneDrive provides a cloud location to store, share, and sync your work files and then work with them from any device. Microsoft has spent a lot of effort to get a rock-solid solution including a well-oiled sync app as well.

Whether you are looking to roll-out OneDrive or are already are utilizing it, there are a lot of important things that you should know about administration. This session will go through things such as:

- Deployment advice
- Sync capabilities and restrictions
- Overall limits, guidance, and best practices
- Security capabilities from the user to the tenant
- Reporting
- What's new for administration

This session will be a technical focused session which will provide you the information and tools you need to ensure your OneDrive deployment is solid and secured.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Automate content processing using AI & SharePoint Premium (Microsoft Syntex)

Speakers: <u>Amarender Peddamalku</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G6

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We'll learn how to use SharePoint Premium (previously known as Microsoft Syntex) that uses advanced AI and machine teaching to amplify human expertise, automate content processing, and transform content into knowledge.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Integrating Forms with Teams for Real-time Responses

Speakers: <u>Brian Alderman</u>

Track: Microsoft Teams, Special Topics

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G2

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Do you ever wonder what your Microsoft Team members are thinking or what their thoughts are on a specific topic or initiative? Microsoft Forms is a powerful and versatile tool that allows you to create surveys, quizzes, and polls that can be responded to by your Team members which allows you to view real-time responses from your participants. These results can then be exported to an Excel spreadsheet for additional analysis, and to generate some neat visual charts or graphs using Power BI.

In this session we are going to introduce and discuss the different types of uses for Forms, how to create a form on a Microsoft Teams channel, explore the configuration options for these forms, as well as how to export the results for use in other Microsoft products, like Power BI.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Replaced by AI: Is Microsoft Search dead?

Speakers: *Virgil Carroll*

Track: Copilot / AI, Search

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G3

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Just a few years ago, Microsoft Search was the answer to creating a ubiquitous experience across the entire 365 ecosystem. Where much of this vision has been implemented, several of the most exciting features and functionality has not yet been realized. Now, with the push towards Copilot, it appears the strategic purpose of Microsoft Search has been usurped...but has it really?

In this session, Virgil is going to talk through why
Microsoft Search will be an important technology for the

long term in the 365 ecosystem and compare/contrast its features and usage with the advent of AI conversational tools such as Copilot. Search is here to stay and will always be relevant, but understanding how to leverage the tools available will help you better maximize on your investment.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Microsoft Copilot Adoption That Sticks: A 90-Day

Playbook for Companies

Speakers: *Asif Rehmani*

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G7

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Microsoft Copilot is rolling out everywhere, but most companies are struggling to turn those licenses into real impact. Employees don't know how or where to use Copilot, IT teams are overwhelmed with support tickets, and leadership is frustrated by the lack of ROI. The result? Shelfware instead of productivity.

This session delivers a practical playbook for adoption that actually sticks. You'll learn the 3A Framework (Awareness → Activation → Adoption), see how to build momentum with a 90 day adoption plan, and explore role-based use cases that bring Copilot to life in your company. We'll break down the difference between vague vs. effective prompts, show how prompt sharing is the next frontier, and address the governance and pitfalls executives worry about.

Unlocking the Power of Copilot Automation: A

Beginner's Guide

Speakers: <u>Stephen Rose</u>, <u>Michelle Boyd</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G8

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Join us for an exciting, informative and hands-on session where we delve into the world of Copilot automation. In this session we will show you how agents, prompts, actions, and bots can revolutionize your workflow and enhance productivity.

You will learn about the Copilot Admin Console, and the intricacies of crafting effective prompts, and the various prebuilt agents designed to assist you in tasks ranging from scheduling to content creation.

Whether you're new to Copilot or looking to optimize your use, this session will provide valuable insights and practical tips to help you harness the full potential of Copilot automation.

Join us and learn how to elevate your efficiency and transform the way you work!

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Leveraging Employee Self Service Agents to Empower Your HR and Employees

Speakers: <u>Kanwal Khipple</u>

Track: Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

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In today's digital age, Human Resources departments are increasingly turning to AI to enhance efficiency and employee satisfaction. This session introduces an innovative solution: an AI-driven HR Assistant developed using Copilot Studio and SharePoint as the primary data store. Dive into the practical steps and strategies for integrating cutting-edge AI functionalities into your HR workflows, enabling personalized employee interactions and streamlined HR processes.

In this technical and interactive session, we will explore the architecture of integrating Copilot Studio with SharePoint, demonstrating how to leverage these powerful tools to automate routine HR tasks, enhance employee engagement, and provide instantaneous HR support. Attendees will learn firsthand how to harness the capabilities of AI to transform their HR operations into a more dynamic, responsive, and user-friendly environment.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Integrating AI Applications with Copilot Studio Using Model Context Protocol (MCP)

Speakers: <u>Prashant G Bhoyar</u>

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

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Discover how to seamlessly integrate AI applications and agents into Microsoft Copilot Studio using the Model Context Protocol (MCP). In this session, we will explore how MCP enables direct connections to existing knowledge servers and APIs, allowing actions and knowledge to be automatically added and updated within

your agents. Learn how this integration simplifies the agent-building process, reduces maintenance efforts, and leverages enterprise security and governance controls such as Virtual Network integration, Data Loss Prevention policies, and multiple authentication methods.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Challenge: MS Teams + Power Platform for single

tenant application lifecycle environments?

Speakers: *Richard Toland*

Track: Power Apps, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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This session examines the possibilities of leveraging a Microsoft Team and its private channel capabilities to provided segmented environments in support of Power Platform solutions with a SharePoint integrated backend functionality (lists, libraries, automation, etc.) and aligning to their respective Power Platform environments (i.e. development, integration, testing, production, etc.)

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

How to AI enable your phone system by migrating to Microsoft Teams and Copilot

Speakers: <u>Jason Waite</u>

Track: Microsoft Teams

Level: All

Location: Room D

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Copilot is already reshaping productivity across organizations, and now IT and UC teams are expected to make it work seamlessly.

Forward-thinking organizations that embed AI into their UC systems are gaining a competitive edge through automated insights, real-time call analytics, and streamlined workflows.

With 83% of data living at the edge, your phone conversations are a rich source of insight. When calls happen outside the Teams environment, Copilot and your agents lose access to that data, resulting in missed opportunities for smarter automation and better decision-making.

By keeping voice in Teams, every call becomes part of your Microsoft 365 data fabric—searchable, analyzable, and ready for AI.

That's how you unlock the full potential of Copilot and turn conversations into action.

04:20 PM - 05:30 PM

Roundtable Discussion - Microsoft's super power - the integrated story. XXXX vs Copilot

Speakers: <u>Alan Cox</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: All

Location: Room 3

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Join us for an engaging and informal gathering where participants delve into topics that matter to them.

Roundtable Discussions are a space for sharing ideas,

perspectives, and experiences with other attendees. Pull up a chair, and let's exchange insights!

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08:00 AM - 09:00 AM

Registration & Coffee

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Registration

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09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Navigating the Microsoft 365 Community

Speakers: *Emily Mancini*

Track: Business Value, DEI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G1

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Whether you are new to the Microsoft 365 community or a veteran, there is a sea of constantly changing free resources (from articles to videos to sample code, and more) that are available to help you on your Microsoft 365 journey. Sometimes those resources can be difficult to navigate.

In this session, we will highlight the different open-source initiatives, learning opportunities, articles, and events of which you should be aware. We will also provide guidance on how you can become a community contributor - on multiple levels.

You will leave with a better understanding of what is available to you - for free! - enabling you to focus your time, resources, and energy on your unique challenges rather than reinventing the wheel.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Designing with Fluent 2: Elevating UX in Power Apps

Speakers: <u>Luc Labelle</u>

Track: Power Apps

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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Fluent 2 is reshaping the way we build user interfaces in Power Apps—bringing modern, accessible, and consistent design to low-code development. In this session, we'll explore how Fluent 2 components can dramatically improve the user experience of your canvas apps while aligning with Microsoft's latest design system.

You'll learn how to integrate Fluent 2 controls into your apps, customize them for enterprise scenarios, and apply best practices for responsive layouts, accessibility, and performance. We'll also cover how Fluent 2 fits into your broader Power Platform strategy, including governance, theming, and component reuse.

Whether you're a seasoned maker or just starting with Power Apps, this session will equip you with the tools and insights to build beautiful, functional apps that users love.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

SharePoint Automation Showdown: Rules, Quick

Steps & Power Automate

Speakers: *Laura Rogers*

Track: Power Automate, Power User (low-code/no-code,

Team site owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

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SharePoint offers several built-in automation tools—Rules, Quick Steps, the Content Approval setting. When should you use each one? And when do you need flows to take things further? In this session, we'll break down the differences between these automation options, covering their capabilities, limitations, and best use cases.

Then, we'll go beyond the basics with a real-world Power Automate demo, showing how to build a custom approval process that dynamically routes approvals based on metadata and conditions, and logs approval history in SharePoint for compliance tracking

By the end of this session, you'll not only understand which automation tool is right for your scenario but also leave with ideas about what Power Automate flows can do beyond SharePoint's out-of-the-box automations.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

The Future of Meetings: Navigating Microsoft Teams Premium's Advanced Features

Speakers: *Ryan Schouten*

Track: Microsoft Teams

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G3

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Step into the future of corporate communication with 'The Future of Meetings: Navigating Microsoft Teams Premium's Advanced Features'. This session is a deep dive into the world of Teams Premium, showcasing its cutting-edge features designed to transform your meeting experiences. We'll explore each feature in detail, discussing its practical applications and benefits for your organization. From setting up advanced meeting options to enhancing end-user engagement, you'll gain insights into the full spectrum of Teams Premium capabilities. Our hands-on demonstrations will guide IT Admins through the configuration process while providing business leaders and corporate communications professionals with a clear view of the user experience. Whether it's about facilitating seamless large-scale webinars or conducting interactive town halls, this session is your roadmap to mastering Microsoft Teams Premium. Join us to unlock the potential of next-generation meetings and propel your organizational communication into a new era of efficiency and engagement.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Mastering Microsoft 365 Copilot: Effective

Prompting Techniques

Speakers: <u>Mike Maadarani</u>

Track: Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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In this session, we'll explore how to create effective prompts to maximize the potential of Microsoft 365 Copilot. Attendees will learn prompt engineering principles, focusing on crafting inputs that draw out the

best responses from Copilot's language models. We'll cover tips for writing clear, specific, and context-rich prompts to guide Copilot in delivering precise and valuable results.

Through interactive examples and exercises, we will go demonstrate useful prompts and responses for the M365 Apps, Teams, Whiteboard, Loop and Planner.

At the end of this session, attendees will have the skills to communicate effectively with Copilot, boosting their productivity and creativity in various tasks and projects.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Microsoft Fabric for the Power BI Developer

Speakers: <u>Scott Shearer</u>

Track: Power BI, Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site

owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G8

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In this session, we'll approach Microsoft Fabric through the eyes of a Power BI user. We'll answer question: How will Fabric impact how I do my job?

We'll discuss Fabric concepts such as:

- What is Fabric and why should you care?
- Basic Fabric concepts and components
- OneLake and Lakehouses
- Dataflows and data pipelines
- And more!

Confused about Fabric? This session is for you!

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Adapting Agents and Copilots to Maximize the Impact of AI within Your Organization

Speakers: Eric Overfield

Track: Copilot / AI, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

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Do you struggle to understand Copilot, copilots, agents, and what this means for your organization? What is "agentic" anyhow? Join us to delve into the process of selecting the most suitable copilot driven solution for your specific use cases. Learn how to utilize Copilot Studio to assist you in designing and customizing your own agents, copilots, and even enhancing Microsoft 365 Copilot with your own use-cases.

- Learn how to use Copilot Studio to design and customize your own AI solutions.
- Gain knowledge on how to create captivating, relevant, and personalized results using agents and more.
- Understand what to use, and when, to maximize your Copilot journey

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Purview Records Management: Ensuring Your Data is There When You Need It:

Speakers: <u>David Drever</u>

Track: Intranet & Portals/SharePoint, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

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A common occurrence in any organization is the accidental removal of content before it is ready to be disposed of.

On the other hand, organizations have a habit of keeping data long after it should be removed because there is a concern that the data might still be necessary. Both of these situations place any organization at risk. Risk that content is no longer there when it needs to be and risk that it isn't available when users need it.

In this session, David will provide information that every organization, large or small, should consider when determining how to maintain its data. Additionally, David will illustrate and demonstrate how Microsoft Purview can assist in the organization's data lifecycle and records management to ensure your data is there when you need it and removed when it is no longer relevant.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Accelerated Development through the M365 and Power Platform Community

Speakers: Don Kirkham

Track: Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site owner),

SharePoint Development

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room C

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Level 100. The M365 and Power Platform Community program stands as the beacon of knowledge and collaboration within the Microsoft ecosystem. As the largest open community, it's the place where developers, makers, and power users of all backgrounds converge to gain insights from MVPs and Microsoft engineers.

Join me as I show you all of the free (yes, free!) ways to use the power of community to accelerate your learning curve to atmospheric levels in AI, M365/SharePoint development, Power Platform and more. There is so much content to absorb that you might even be compelled to move from a pure consumer role to be a contributor, which is where the magic goes to the next level.

In addition to showing how to use examples from some of the top developers in the world, I'll cover how you can "give back" and become one of those contributors. From shaping official online documentation to creating sample applications and even crafting groundbreaking tools like the Microsoft 365 CLI, PnP PowerShell and the SPFx toolkit – it's all within your reach as a community member. With support from the PnP Team and fellow contributors, you'll learn how to harness the community's collective knowledge and propel your skills to new heights.

09:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Unleashing AI Agents in Your Enterprise: An Introduction to Azure AI Agent Service

Speakers: *Treb Gatte*

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot / AI

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room D

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The way we build and integrate AI into our business processes is evolving—fast. Microsoft's new Azure AI Agent Service is changing the game, offering a powerful, orchestrated AI agent framework that simplifies building intelligent, multi-modal applications.

In this interactive session, you'll get an inside look at how Azure AI Agent Service enables AI agents that plan, reason, and act autonomously—without complex coding. Whether you're exploring AI-driven copilots, automating business workflows, or building next-gen customer experiences, this service unlocks new possibilities for AI adoption at scale.

What You'll Learn:

- What Azure AI Agent Service is and why it matters
- How AI agents use tools, memory, and actions to automate tasks
- Real-world use cases and demos showcasing AI-driven automation
- How to get started and integrate this service into your
 Azure environment

This session is perfect for attendees looking to cut through the hype and get practical with AI agents. Don't miss this opportunity to stay ahead of the curve and discover how Azure AI Agent Service can accelerate AI adoption in your organization!

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Discover, Assemble, and Gain Insights into your Content with SharePoint Content AI

Speakers: <u>Drew Madelung</u>

Track: Content Management

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

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SharePoint Content AI brings advanced content services and AI together to automate processes, classification, and more, transforming the information into working knowledge for your organization in a way we've never seen before.

In this workshop, you'll learn how Content AI has come to the forefront of automated knowledge management, the services and solutions it can provide, how they work together, and some proven ways to implement it in your organization.

You'll walk away from this workshop with real-world SharePoint Content AI implementation, deployment, and adoption scenarios to spark the conversation at your organization.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Advanced workflow solutions with Power Automate

Speakers: <u>William Huneycutt</u>

Track: Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G6

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Power Automate is the evolution of workflow for SharePoint and Microsoft 365. This session is designed to showcase building flows for no code/low code solutions for personal productivity, team productivity, and enterprise business processes.

Topics include:

- * Data connectors, connections, and user accounts
- * Types of cloud flows automatic, instant, scheduled, AI built, desktop, and process advisor
- * Flow elements triggers, actions, and conditions
- * Building flows using templates versus starting from blank

- * Flow settings, run history, & debugging Advanced approval scenarios escalation, delegation, and parallel approval
- * Expressions, formulas, and functions for managing data
- * Using OData to better work with larger data sets in SharePoint
- * Power Automate and SharePoint limits and boundaries
- * Real-world application, tips & tricks
- * Licensing

Using real-world examples, we will demonstrate how to design flow solutions to meet the ever-changing business requirements faced by today's business professionals.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Intro to Microsoft Visual Studio Code AI Toolkit

Speakers: Richard Toland

Track: Azure AI Studio, Business Value

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G2

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Unlock the power of local AI development directly within your favorite editor! This session introduces the Microsoft Visual Studio Code AI Toolkit, a powerful extension designed to simplify running Small Language Models (SLMs) like Phi-3, Mistral, and Llama directly on your Windows machine. Forget complex setups and cloud dependencies for basic AI tasks; learn how this toolkit streamlines the process, enhancing privacy, speed, and developer workflow integration. We'll learn the best parts of running SLMs locally including security, data sensitivity, fine tuning, integration capabilities, and graphics card acceleration.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Making Power Apps Your Own with Code Components

Speakers: *Ryan Schouten*

Track: Power Apps

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G3

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Power Apps have a lot of great functionality out of the box but as any SAAS platform there are places where functionality is missing or not enough to meet your needs. Well now we can create our own code components. These allow us to add our own functionality to Power Apps to fulfill our user stories. In this session we will discuss how we can create code components and how we can add them to our Power Apps. We'll also discuss the limitations and gotchas that you might run in to. As you might have guessed, there will be code involved in this session. Don't let the code scare you aware. Even for power users understanding what is available and high level how it can be done is powerful information.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Mastering AI-Assisted Writing: From Blank Page to

Impactful Content

Speakers: <u>Christian Buckley</u>

Track: Business Value, Copilot / AI

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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Content creation is evolving fast—and in the age of Microsoft Copilot, ChatGPT, and other generative AI tools, the challenge isn't starting with a blank page. It's knowing how to shape AI-generated content into something accurate, compelling, and authentically human. In this interactive, hands-on session, we'll explore how to partner with AI to accelerate your content process—without losing your voice in the noise.

Designed for professionals who write as part of their role—whether for internal communications, executive messaging, or external marketing—this session will guide you through a modern content creation workflow using Microsoft 365 tools. You'll follow along with your own laptop as we explore how to use Copilot across apps like Word, Outlook, OneNote, and Teams to plan, draft, refine, and publish content. You'll also learn how to draw structured knowledge from SharePoint and OneNote, leverage Copilot's contextual capabilities, and use prompt strategies that produce better results.

We'll show how to apply human oversight at key stages to maintain tone, accuracy, and intent—so you're not just faster, but more effective. This is more than a technical walkthrough: it's a framework for collaborative writing in the AI era. Come ready to learn, experiment, and leave with content you can put into action.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Data Fabric + Power BI + Copilot: Designing Low-Code AI Dashboards that Talk Back

Speakers: <u>Daniele Mario Areddu</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G8

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With Microsoft Fabric now GA and Copilot lighting up in Power BI, the modern data stack just fused into a single pane of glass. In this talk we'll load a streaming dataset into Fabric's Lakehouse, transform it with notebook shortcuts, and publish a Power BI semantic model—then ask Copilot questions in plain English to generate DAX, visuals, and executive summaries on the fly. We'll cover governance (row-level security still matters), Direct Lake performance tricks, and prompt tuning to avoid hallucinated KPIs. Expect a live demo and a design checklist you can apply to any dashboard that needs to speak for itself.

Key Takeaways

Connect Fabric Lakehouse tables to Power BI without gateways or imports

Use Copilot to draft DAX and narrative insights—then lock them for production

Apply RLS and MIP labels so Copilot respects data boundaries

Performance tune Direct Lake queries for sub-second interactivity

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Building Multimodal Apps, Autonomous Agents, Copilots using GenAI(Azure AI Foundry & Copilot Studio)

Speakers: *Prashant G Bhoyar*

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot Agents

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room A

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An agent is a powerful AI companion that can handle a range of interactions and tasks, from resolving issues requiring complex conversations to autonomously determining the best action to take based on its instructions and context. Agents coordinate a collection of language models, along with instructions, context, knowledge sources, topics, actions, inputs, and triggers to accomplish your desired goals.

In this session, Microsoft AI and Business Applications
MVP and Microsoft Certified Trainer Prashant G Bhoyar will
cover the following topics in detail:

- 1) What are Multimodal GenAI Applications?
- 2)What are AI Agents?
- 3) What are Autonomous Agents?
- 4) What are Custom Copilots?
- 5) Azure AI Foundry: An in-depth overview of the Azure AI Foundy.
- 6) Microsoft Copilot Studio lets you create powerful AI-powered copilots for a range of requests—from providing simple answers to common questions to resolving issues requiring complex conversations. Engage with customers and employees in multiple languages across websites, mobile apps, Facebook, Microsoft Teams, or any channel supported by the Azure Bot Framework.
- 7) Responsible AI: Delve into the ethics and responsible use of AI.
- 8) Enterprise-level applications, Custom Copilots, AI Agents: Learn to develop robust, scalable multimodal applications, Custom Copilots, and AI Agents, focusing on industry requirements and best practices.

Securing the digital assistant: Security considerations for deploying Copilot

Speakers: *Alan Cox*

Track: Copilot / AI, Security, Governance & Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room B

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In an age where digital assistance is becoming increasingly integrated into our daily workflows, the security of such systems is paramount. This presentation will address the critical security considerations that organizations must evaluate when adopting Copilot for Microsoft 365. We will discuss the potential risks, the importance of data privacy, and the safeguards that need to be in place to protect sensitive information. Attendees will learn about the security architecture of Copilot, compliance with industry standards, and best practices for maintaining a secure AI environment. By understanding these security essentials, organizations can confidently leverage Copilot for Microsoft 365 to enhance their productivity while ensuring their data remains protected.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

Big Data Analytics in SharePoint and Microsoft 365 with Microsoft Graph Data Connect

Speakers: <u>Antonio Maio</u>

Track: Content Management, Security, Governance &

Compliance

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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Have you ever worked in a large enterprise-scale SharePoint Online or OneDrive environment with thousands of sites, or millions of files, or thousands of users? If you have, then you probably understand the challenges with trying to get detailed and timely analytics on your current state, including permissions for all files across all sites, or storage information for all sites and to try and figure out which groups are consuming all your space. Governing large enterprise-scale SharePoint Online and Microsoft 365 environments is a real challenge due to the sheer amount of data you need to reason over. In this workshop, we'll look at how the Microsoft Graph Data Connect for SharePoint (Project Archimedes) provides some exciting capabilities which will help to get us this data quickly, without getting throttled, and in a form that we can easily report on, across very large enterprise scale environments. We'll provide a step by step demonstration of how to setup and use Microsoft Graph Data Connect for SharePoint (Project Archimedes), Azure Synapse and Power BI to get access to these data sets quickly and efficiently, without getting throttled, and in a form that we can easily report on across very large enterprise environments.

10:20 AM - 11:30 AM

From Chaos to Control: Our Journey Moving Power

Platform Solutions to Azure DevOps

Speakers: <u>Haniel Croitoru</u>

Track: Admin/Implementation

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room D

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Taking your Power Platform development to the next level means embracing proper source control and DevOps

practices. In this session, We'll share our first-hand experiences of transitioning Power Platform solutions to Azure DevOps, including the challenges, lessons learned, and best practices picked up along the way. We'll cover how to structure your repos, automate deployments, manage solution versions, and collaborate effectively with your team. Whether you're just starting with ALM for Power Platform or looking to refine your DevOps strategy, this session will give you practical steps to take control of your development process.

11:30 AM - 12:25 PM

Lunch

Speakers: TBD

Track: No Track

Location: Level 4

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12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Data recovery options for SharePoint/ OneDrive

Speakers: Brian Alderman

Track: Admin/Implementation, SharePoint Premium

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

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SharePoint and OneDrive include several content recovery options for SharePoint and OneDrive for Business administrators, site collection administrators, and end users. Educating your end users on SharePoint recovery options like the site recycle bin, versioning, and site collection recycle bin can lighten the burden on your admins.

Using either a GUI or PowerShell you can backup and restore your entire SharePoint Server farm or components of it. In SharePoint Server you can also perform more granular content backups by exporting site collections, site, libraries, and lists, and there are options for recovering these site collections, sites, lists and libraries from content databases that are no longer part of your SharePoint Server farm.

With a vast majority of your SharePoint Server content stored in SQL Server it is imperative that you have an efficient way to recover items or entire databases as quickly as possible.

This discussion will introduce the Best Practices framework that will allow your SharePoint Server administrators to configure SharePoint as well as SQL Server for quick content recovery, minimizing the downtime and providing shorter and achievable Service Level Agreements (SLA's).

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Making Microsoft Search your own

Speakers: <u>Virgil Carroll</u>

Track: Search

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G3

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Even the best search systems never seem to provide you the results you need in the way you want. To achieve a true organizational fit for search takes both time and patience. In this session, Virgil will demonstrate how to use the powerful customization features of Microsoft Search to build a visually appealing, targeted search experience. We will explore ways you can make the Microsoft Search experience fit for your organization and some of the pitfalls that need to be avoided to be successful.

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

No Code Deep Impact: Advanced Column types, Business Rules & Business Process Flows in Power Apps

Speakers: <u>Scott Roller</u>

Track: Power Apps, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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If you are looking for No Code ways to have a Deep Impact on your Power App development, then you are in the right place. In this session we will discuss and demonstrate how different Advanced Column (field) types, Business Rules and Business Process Flows can have a profound effect on the functionality of your Power Apps. These No Code customizations can add great value to a Power App when use separately or together. This session will demonstrate how to use these different customizations together to build a powerful solution.

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Build Intelligent Applications with AI and Power Platform

Speakers: <u>Andrew Hess</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, Power Apps

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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Effective solutions begin with a deep understanding of the problem and a clear gathering of requirements before development begins. Join Daniel Christian, a Microsoft MVP and certified training and he will walk you through the journey of transforming user needs into intelligent, AI-driven solutions using the Power Platform.

Key takeaways include:

- Plan Designer: Learn to structure your project by mapping out clear steps and visualizing workflows aligned with business objectives.

- Dataverse Tables: Discover how to create a robust, scalable data model that serves as the foundation of your application.
- Canvas Apps: Master the art of building intuitive, userfocused interfaces that blend creativity with functionality.

By the session's end, you'll be equipped with the knowledge to design and deliver AI-powered solutions that tackle real-world challenges.

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Accelerate your Data & Analytics migration journey

Speakers: Prashant Atri, Sachin Saraf, Prabhjot Kaur

Track: Business Value, Power BI

Level: All

Location: Room G8

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In this session, you will explore the migration strategies and best practices for migrating workloads to Microsoft Fabric. It will span across different workloads such as database, data warehouse, data integration and reporting workloads.

It includes real-world migration learning and implementation guidelines. We will also discuss various toolsets / approach for migration such as Mirroring, partner-based tools etc..

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Copilot Studio vs. Azure AI Foundry

Speakers: <u>Peter Carson</u>

Track: Azure AI Studio, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Advanced

Location: Room A

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AI powered agents feel like they're coming everywhere, but how do you light up your own data in them not just for staff, but also for external guests? How can you incorporate an AI Agent into both scenarios securely?

We'll start the session with a level set on how AI really works, and in particular Retrieval Augmented Generation. A combination of Search and Large Language Models, it lets your chat interface answer questions it hasn't been trained by leveraging search. Built properly it also respects security, and only answers from content the user has access to, which can live in Dataverse, Microsoft 365, or any other search accessible repository.

One approach we'll cover is Copilot Studio, a low-code environment where you can build intelligent chat experiences using ready-made large language models, a dialog manager, and numerous data connectors. These can be published and licensed in a variety of ways, and

can enforce security against your enterprise data.

The other approach is more code focused in Azure AI Foundry. If you want you can get into details around search population, chunking, AI models, and UI.

We'll also cover consumption based pricing from Microsoft for both.

Feeling faint of heart with all this tech talk? Don't despair. Yes we'll be showing code, but we'll also go over real-world business cases, and the solution architectures that leverage the Microsoft AI stacks.

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Pro Code Solutions for Scalable Workflow Management in Microsoft 365

Speakers: <u>Julie Turner</u>

Track: Azure / M365 Development, SharePoint Development

Level: Advanced

Location: Room B

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Mature organizations using Microsoft 365 often need to run custom workflows triggered by events such as updating list items, adding users, updating groups, or changing files. While tools like Power Automate or Azure Logic Apps are suitable for single lists or libraries, they become cumbersome when managing numerous similar items. Enter webhooks.

Webhooks are not for power users; they require expertise in cloud architecture and enterprise-level coding. However, their scalability and benefits make the investment worthwhile. In this session, you'll learn:

- What webhooks are and their common use cases
- Architectural patterns for managing subscriptions and events
- Common cloud services supporting these architectures
- Boilerplate code for establishing and managing subscriptions and reacting to event notifications
- Implementing custom handlers for subscription management and event responses

Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to manage workflows at scale, reduce risk, and simplify management!

12:30 PM - 01:40 PM

Better Together: Exploring the Integrations
Between Microsoft Teams and Power Automate

Speakers: <u>Heidi Jordan</u>

Track: Microsoft Teams, Power Automate

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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Get ready to witness the seamless integration of Microsoft Teams and Power Automate! Microsoft Teams stands as an essential tool used daily by millions globally, serving as the cornerstone of modern business collaboration. When paired with the automation capabilities of Power Automate, Teams transcends its conventional role as a communication platform, emerging as a powerhouse for amplifying productivity and efficiency.

During this enlightening session, I'll delve into a few of the key integration points:

 Trigger Flows from Teams Messages: Effortlessly streamline follow-up actions on a Teams message, with just the click of a button. Whether it's creating a DevOps item or sending tasks to OneNote, see how Power Automate quickly transforms routine tasks into efficient processes, integrated within the Teams interface.

- Flows with Adaptive Cards: Embrace the versatility of Adaptive Cards in Teams to gather information from users. Say goodbye to email exchanges as I demonstrate a more intuitive approach to user interaction, directly within Teams messages.
- Leverage Flows within the Workflows App: Explore the convenience of creating and managing Power Automate flows directly from the Workflows app embedded in Teams.
- Empowerment through Flow Templates: Uncover the potential of pre-built Team and Approval templates, designed to streamline common processes. Foster consistency across your organization and significantly reduce time spent on manual data collection with these readily available automation solutions.

This session promises live demos, real-world use cases, and more. Say farewell to using Teams solely for chats and meetings; instead, harness the efficiencies that Power Automate has to offer.

01:50 PM - 03:00 PM

Creating a Next-Generation Intranet Experience Using AI

Speakers: <u>Kanwal Khipple</u>

Track: SharePoint Development

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G1

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Stay ahead of the curve by embracing AI to craft nextgeneration intranet experiences. This session provides actionable guidance on implementing intelligent content recommendations, conversational interfaces, and adaptive user journeys. Learn how to use AI-driven analytics to continuously enhance your intranet, ensuring it remains engaging, user-centric, and aligned with your organization's evolving needs.

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Forms, Forms, and more Forms. Data gathering for the modern info worker

Speakers: <u>Wes Preston</u>

Track: Power User (low-code/no-code, Team site owner)

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G2

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Microsoft List (and SharePoint) forms, Forms with Power Apps, and Microsoft Forms. Which one (or more) should you use, and when?

This session will walk through updated capabilities and options available to no-code makers and citizen developers when building solutions with forms.

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React for the SharePoint/Microsoft 365 Developer

Speakers: Ryan Schouten

Track: Azure / M365 Development, SharePoint Development

Level: Intro/Overview

Location: Room G6

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For years client-side development in SharePoint was accomplished with jQuery and JavaScript. In the last year the development landscape has changed. With the introduction of the SharePoint Framework, SharePoint developers were introduced to new ways of developing. With this new paradigm we need to refresh our skills. React is a library that integrates really well with SharePoint, whether you are currently using the SharePoint Framework or you are prepping your code for the future.

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Guardians of Microsoft 365: Tips for Effective SharePoint Management and Data Governance!

Speakers: <u>Sarah Haase</u>, <u>Antonio Maio</u>

Track: Copilot / AI, SharePoint Premium

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room G7

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As organizations consider how to get the most out of AI with Copilot for Microsoft 365, they're shining a light on information management strategies and implementing data protection programs. This session explains the criticality of managing and protecting your sensitive Microsoft 365 content. We'll explore the SharePoint Advanced Management (SAM) licensing that comes with Copilot, look at SAM capabilities, and discuss the importance of safeguarding Copilot by addressing chronic oversharing.

In this session you'll get tips on how to use oversharing reports in SAM, the SharePoint Admin Center, and Data Security Posture Management (DSPM) for AI and receive enterprise-level guidance on mitigating chronic oversharing.

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Leveraging Large Language Models with Power BI

Speakers: <u>John Kerski</u>

Track: Power BI

Level: Advanced

Location: Room G8

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Large Language Models, like ChatGPT, have the potential to transform how you develop and deliver Power BI solutions. In this session, you'll learn how to integrate Azure OpenAI and GitHub Copilot into your Power BI development process, leveraging prompt engineering techniques to improve your solutions.

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Best Practices for Connecting to External Data in Copilot Studio

Speakers: <u>Mark Rackley</u>

Track: Copilot Agents, Copilot Studio (PVA)

Level: Advanced

Location: Room A

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Copilot Studio is an essential tool for creating your custom agents. It's quick and easy to get started, but all too often we run into scenarios where we need to connect to external data sources and perform tasks that are not native to M365. That's where the power of Custom Connectors come into play. In this session, join MVP Mark

Rackley as, together we will build a Sample API and Custom Connector for Copilot Studio. Attendees will learn:

- Deep dive into connecting to external data and best practices for using Actions, Topics, and Generative Answers
- How to effectively connect to a ServiceNow Knowledge base
- How to create and integrate a Custom Connector for Copilot Studio

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Building a Policy Center with PnP Modern Search

Speakers: <u>Marc D Anderson</u>

Track: Content Management, Intranet & Portals/SharePoint

Level: Intermediate

Location: Room C

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In a modern Intranet, we generally want to store content in the site where it should be managed. We think of this as distributed content management and it's similar to the way News works in modern SharePoint. This usually means each department or organizational unit can manage their content using a process which makes sense for them.

At the same time, we may want to roll up that content in one central location for ease of access. A Policy Center is a great example of this approach and one we find ourselves building for many of our clients.

In this session, you'll see how the following components add up to make a Policy Center:

- Information architecture (IA) in the form of Site

Columns and a Content Type to represent a Policy

- A Site Template which only instantiates a Policy library in the site and applies the IA
- A Policy library in each Intranet site, deployed using the Site Template, with Policies specific to that department
- Changes to the search schema to support metadata filtering
- A Policy Center page built using PnP Modern Search Web Parts to display the Policies from across the Intranet

Additionally, we'll discuss various approaches to solve the content management puzzle - before the Policy is even visible on the Intranet.