

AWS GenAI RAG Workshop: Outcomes & Strategic Value

Engineering Management Briefing - June 5, 2025

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- Limited GenAI exposure
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- Cost optimization expertise
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Knowledge Transfer Plan

- 12 workshop attendees
 - Create internal demos
 - Document best practices
 - Lead implementation
 - Weekly tech talks (1hr)
 - Hands-on labs (2hr/week)
 - Pair programming
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- Target: 50% of engineers
RAG-capable by Week 8

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