AFP-DPO

AFP-DPO Practitioner

Data Protection & Privacy

The AFP-DPO track trains data protection officers (DPOs) and compliance teams in African financial institutions to master the legal framework for personal data protection (national laws, the Malabo Convention, the GDPR for exposed entities) and to deploy operational compliance programmes.

2027 prices

IN PERSON IN DAKAR

FCFA 1,350,000 excl. tax

€2,058 excl. tax

1 session in 2027

The price includes: the training, digital materials, the certification assessment, the digital certificate and badge, lunch for in-person sessions.

Discounts (cannot be combined): EARLY27 −15% · GROUPE3 −10% · ALUMNI-APSI −20% · PARCOURS −10% · INSTITUTION −20%

At a glance

PREREQUISITES

AFP-DPO Foundation or legal/compliance experience

EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

AFP-DPO Foundation, or 2 years of experience in legal, compliance or data protection.

TOTAL DURATION

5 days (35 h)

VALIDITY

3 years

FORMAT AND HOURS

In person: full days from 8:30 to 17:00 at the ACRC centre in Dakar.

EXAM FORMAT

Complete data compliance programme (record + PIA + procedures) + 30-minute defence

Who it is for

- Current or future data protection officers (DPOs)
- Compliance managers and legal counsel at financial institutions
- CISOs and CIOs taking on data protection
- Chief executives of fintechs and e-money institutions

Curriculum

1	Privacy by Design and Privacy by Default in banking IT projects Hands-on workshop	5h
2	Data protection impact assessment (DPIA/PIA): method and tools Practical work	6h
3	International data transfers: cloud, correspondent banks, service providers Lecture + case study	4h
4	Data subject rights: operational implementation (access, rectification, erasure, portability) Procedural simulation	4h
5	Compliance for fintechs and mobile money: KYC, scoring, open banking Case study	4h
6	Working with supervisory authorities (ADPRS, CNIL, HAPDP...) Regulatory simulation	3h
7	Staff awareness and training programme Teaching workshop	3h
8	Building the compliance programme and defence coaching Project + coaching	6h

Skills acquired

- Deploy a data protection compliance programme for an African bank
- Conduct a DPIA for high-risk processing (scoring, biometrics, profiling)
- Manage relations with supervisory authorities and respond to a formal notice
- Implement Privacy by Design in digital transformation projects

Requirements for certification

1. Admission file: CV and employer certificate, or Foundation certificate.
2. Attendance at 100% of the days (justified absence: catch-up in a later session).
3. Deliverable submitted within 14 days and a successful defence (at least 70%).

Certificate, validity and renewal. Numbered certificate in the holder's name and a digital badge to share on LinkedIn. Valid for 3 years. Renewal: 60 hours of continuing education over 3 years (ACRC webinars count) and a maintenance fee, or a new exam.

2027 sessions

Session	Format	Dates	Hours	Exam	Register by
AFP27-35	In person in Dakar	13 Sept to 17 Sept 2027	8:30 to 17:00	8 Oct 2027	6 Sept 2027

Discounts (cannot be combined)

EARLY27 −15% Registration and payment at least 30 days before the session starts; for the January sessions, at least until 20 December 2026.

GROUPE3 −10% 3 or more participants from the same institution on the same session, on a single invoice.

ALUMNI-APSI −20% AFP-certified members of the APSI-NE 2026 cohort, on any registration paid in 2027.

PARCOURS −10% Foundation and Practitioner of the same track bought together.

INSTITUTION −20% Institutional framework agreement: at least 10 places a year, paid on purchase order.

Pre-registration

Online, on the course page: https://cyber4africa.org/en/certifications/afp-dpo
Contact: contact@cyber4africa.org

COMMERCIAL TERMS

- Payment by bank transfer or mobile money, no later than the registration deadline (7 days before the start). Institutions can pay on purchase order.
- Prices include the training, digital materials, the certification assessment, the personal certificate and the digital badge. Lunch is included for in-person sessions.
- Cancellation by the participant: full refund up to 15 days before the start, 50% from 14 to 7 days before, after that a free transfer to a later session (once).
- Session postponed by ACRC (minimum number of participants not reached 10 days before): transfer of the participant's choice or full refund.
- Discounts cannot be combined: the most favourable one applies.
- Prices in CFA francs (FCFA), excluding tax. Euro amounts are converted at the fixed parity of 655.957 FCFA to 1 euro.