

# VAD: AI Cost Control by Voice Activity

With VAD (Voice Activity Detection) AI will be paused after a certain time to prevent unnecessary costs.

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It sometimes happens that technicians forget to turn off the AI, which can lead to unnecessary costs.

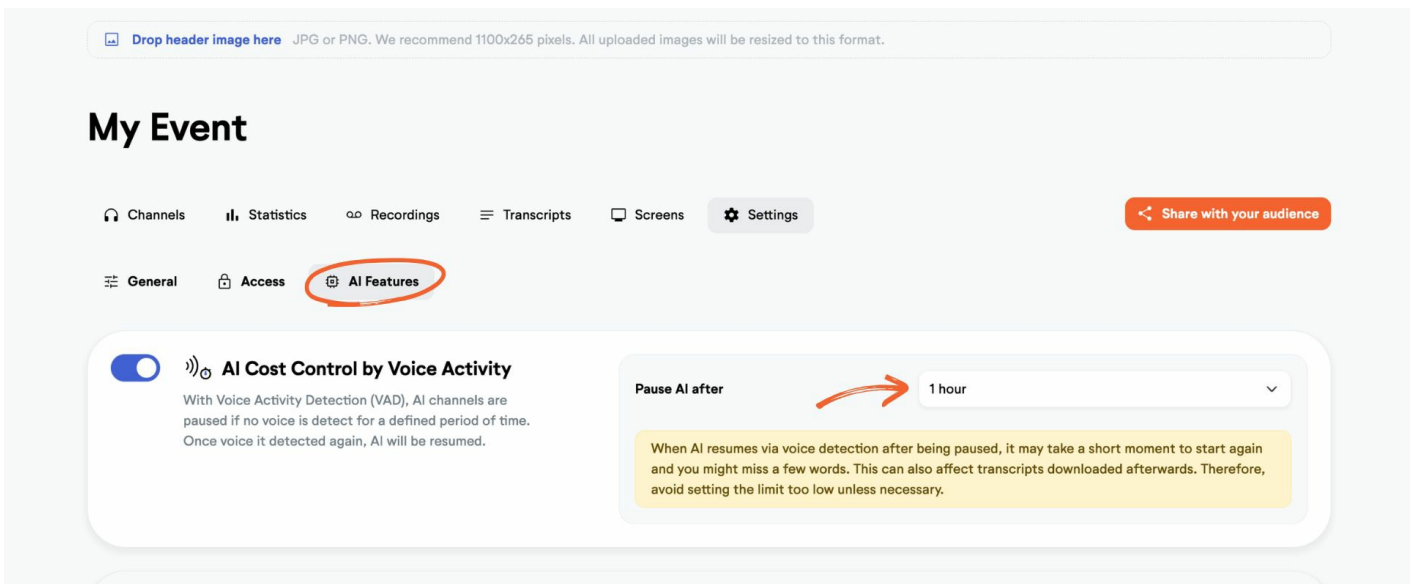
With Voice Activity Detection (VAD) the **AI pauses when no speech is detected** on the source channel for a certain period of time. As soon as speech is detected again, the AI resumes.

Since this can take one or two seconds, the **default pause is set to one hour**, so the AI only pauses when it really makes sense. You can also set a shorter period if needed, but be aware that the first few words after resuming might not be translated and therefore would also miss in the transcript.

## Setup

VAD is **automatically activated for all AI channels** (Translation and Live Captions) that you create, with a default of 60 minutes.

If you want to **turn it off or change the time** after the AI will be paused, go to **event settings** and then to **AI features**.



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**AI Cost Control by Voice Activity**  
With Voice Activity Detection (VAD), AI channels are paused if no voice is detected for a defined period of time. Once voice is detected again, AI will be resumed.

Pause AI after **1 hour**

When AI resumes via voice detection after being paused, it may take a short moment to start again and you might miss a few words. This can also affect transcripts downloaded afterwards. Therefore, avoid setting the limit too low unless necessary.

*Note that this is only a safeguard. The admin/operator is still the one responsible for starting and stopping the AI. We can not take responsibility for AI minutes unintentionally used.*