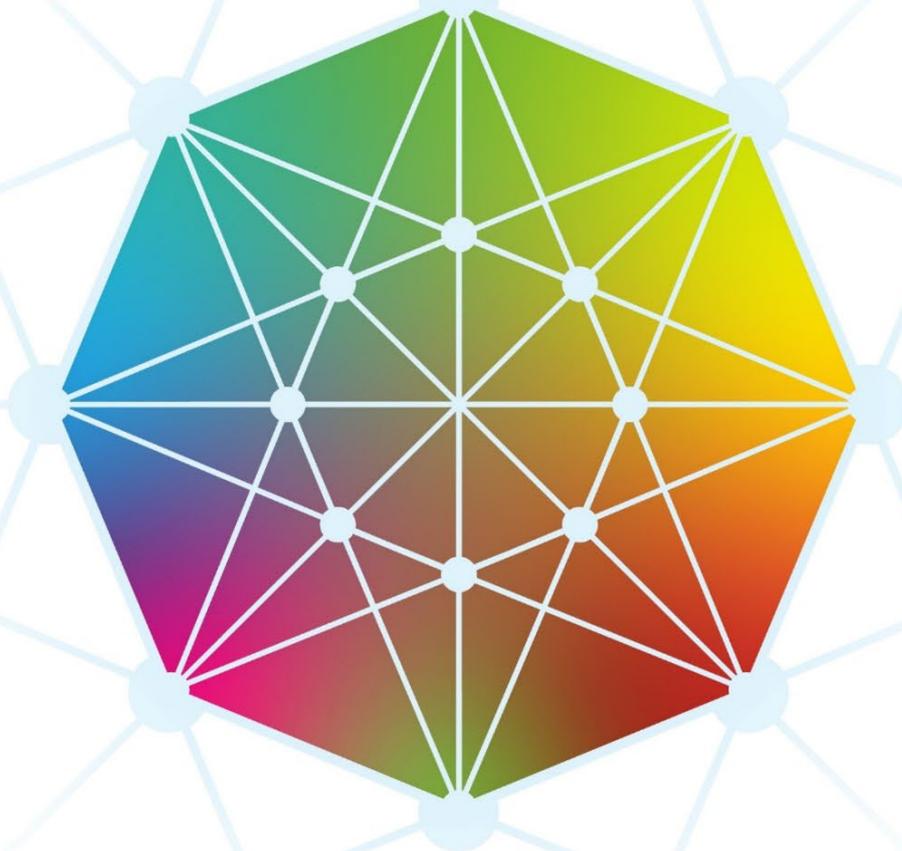# ITUKALEIDOSCOPE

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CALL FOR EXHIBITION
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__Kaleidoscope 2026 - AI and frontier technologies for good__ is the sixteenth edition of ITU's flagship peer-reviewed academic conference, convening leading voices from universities, industry, and research institutions worldwide. The 2026 edition focuses on the transformative potential of frontier technologies for public good, in general and for telecommunications, in particular. To highlight the vital role of academia, Kaleidoscope 2026 is hosting a dedicated exhibition area showcasing outstanding university-led innovations from the Host Country.

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Objectives

The Swiss Academic and Research Projects Exhibition aims to:

- Showcase ongoing, innovative research and prototypes from Swiss academic and research institutions, demonstrating how AI and frontier technologies can meaningfully advance the public good.

- Highlight how universities are applying AI and frontier technologies to address real-world societal and sectoral challenges, with particular emphasis on solutions and AI standards that advance the evolution, resilience, and accessibility of telecommunications systems and services.

Exhibitors

We welcome submissions from Swiss:

- University research labs, innovation hubs, and centres
- Undergraduate and graduate student teams
- Individual students

Topics of interest

The Swiss Academic and Research Projects Exhibition calls for proposals that explore how frontier technologies, including artificial intelligence, brain–computer interface, embodied AI, autonomous driving, geospatial, space computing and quantum information technologies, interface with telecommunications. Submissions are welcome on any of the suggested topics within the three Kaleidoscope 2026 tracks:

- **Track 1**: Frontier technological bases in intelligent and resilient network infrastructures
- **Track 2**: Applications and services for sustainable development
- **Track 3**: Social, economic, environmental and policy dimensions of AI and frontier technologies

Submission guidelines

Applicants are invited to submit the following materials:

- Project title
- Project creators, including names and institutional affiliations
- Project summary (300–500 words) outlining the societal or technical challenge addressed, the methodology or technological approach, and the expected impact
- Supporting materials, such as prototype descriptions, posters, visuals, videos, or demo links
- List of equipment you plan to bring at the exhibit (e.g. monitors, computers, supports for demos, projects, lights, etc).
- Contact information for the corresponding presenter as well as all on-site team members

Eligible submissions may include ongoing research initiatives, operational systems, prototypes, testbeds, or applications that reflect the conference theme and offer meaningful, hands-on interaction opportunities for the international AI and frontier technologies communities. Projects do not need to be original; they may represent active, in-progress work and research efforts.

Submission instructions

Please send submissions via this Form, and inquiries to: kaleidoscope@itu.int.

Important dates

Submission deadline: **19 April 2026**

Notification of acceptance: **11 May 2026**

Exhibit setup: **6 July 2026**

Exhibit days: **7-9 July 2026**

Benefits

Participating individuals or teams will get:

- Free exhibition space at the Kaleidoscope 2026 Swiss Academic and Research Projects Exhibition
- Access to the conference and AI for Good Global Summit 2026 (AI4G) networking areas
- Opportunities to interact directly with ITU delegates, Kaleidoscope and AI4G participants, including experts in AI, geospatial, space computing and quantum information technologies, industry leaders, international researchers, standardization practitioners, policy makers and innovators.

What ITU provides

A dedicated exhibition area will host the selected Swiss Academic and Research Projects throughout the conference period. Exhibition booths will be located together with the Kaleidoscope Posters booth in the main networking aera (Hall 3 of Palexpo), where coffee and lunch breaks will be held. It is recommended that at least one person be always present, including during breaks, in order to present the project to interested attendees.

- Demo booth with 1 table (80cm x 80cm) + 2 chairs
- Power + Wi-Fi
- Poster display board (200cm x 100cm)
- Inclusion in the official conference program
- Onsite visibility (personalized signage)

DISCLAIMER*: The exhibition space is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.*