

AI for Good Global Summit 2025
2025 AI Governance Dialogue Co-Chairs Statement:
Advancing Inclusive, Trusted, and Innovative AI Governance

This summary by the co-chairs, H.E. Eng. Majed Al Mesmar, Director-General of the Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority of the United Arab Emirates and Ms. Anne Bouverot, France's Special Envoy for Artificial Intelligence, draws on rich discussions held at the 2025 AI Governance Dialogue in Geneva, convened on 10 July as part of the AI for Good Global Summit and organized by the ITU with 53 UN entities. Ministers and high-level government representatives joined more than ten thousand stakeholders—representing around 170 countries across governments, industry, academia, the technical community, and civil society—to chart pathways for responsible and impactful AI.

1. From Principles to Practice

AI governance should move beyond high-level declarations to practical implementation that enables sustainable innovation and long-term impact. Agile and inclusive frameworks, adaptable oversight mechanisms, technical standards and tools are essential to guide AI development and deployment in ways that are socially, economically, and environmentally responsible.

2. A Multistakeholder Imperative

Governance that affects all should be shaped by all. Governments, civil society, academia, the private sector, technical experts, and international organizations should co-create policy. All countries need a seat at the table, supported by capacity building, so that AI can benefit everyone, everywhere.

3. Transparency as a Cornerstone of Trust

Understanding how AI systems are built, evaluated, and used is important. Transparency in model behavior, data practices, and decision-making processes strengthens accountability, builds public confidence, and unleashes responsible innovation.

4. Bridging Inclusion

AI governance should reflect diverse perspectives. Bridging the digital divide through inclusion goes beyond access—it means enabling meaningful participation in shaping the technologies and rules that affect people's lives.

5. Capacity for All, Not Just a Few

Closing global gaps in AI readiness is critical. Capacity-building initiatives—spanning policy advice, skills training, institutional strengthening, and financial support—should empower communities worldwide to govern AI effectively and to innovate in key sectors such as health, education, and agriculture.

6. Environmental Sustainability and AI Infrastructure

Sustainable AI development should address its environmental footprint—energy, water, and resource demands. Governance frameworks should integrate energy and environmental policies, promote efficient data centers and renewable power, and ensure AI projects can scale without overstraining local infrastructure.

7. Sectoral Focus and Broad Collaboration

The value of AI is realized through its applications in health, education, agriculture,

humanitarian assistance including in disaster management, and many other critical areas. Governance should involve respective communities, adopt a cross-government and cross-society approach, and leverage international frameworks so that AI can deliver targeted benefits and address sector-specific challenges.

8. Standards and Safety Tools

Technical standards, benchmarks, and audit protocols are foundational for safe, interoperable, and agile AI governance. Developed through international multistakeholder processes, these tools should be evidence-based and adaptable to rapid technological evolution.

9. Governance of Compute and Models

As AI models scale in capability, governance of compute resources and large foundation models becomes more important. Access to compute infrastructure, robust risk assessments, and accountability frameworks ensure that powerful AI systems serve the public interest.

10. Policy Interoperability and Agile Governance

Coherent and interoperable policy frameworks prevent fragmentation while providing clear policy direction. Agile governance —integrating adaptable rules and inclusively developed technical standards—enables flexible adaptation to technological advances.

The insights captured here reflect the co-chairs' vision for AI that bridges innovation, inclusion, and sustainability. They represent the commitment of diverse stakeholders to translate dialogue into action for an AI that can deliver benefits for everyone, everywhere.