

Welcome to
the third edition of 2026

AMBASSADORS' BRIEFING



Question One

How was your summer – in just one word?



Question Two

Where's your preferred place to escape to each summer?



Agenda

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UN General
Assembly

**Introducing our new Chief of
Administration and Finance (A&F)
Mr Hans Baritt**



01

Recent highlights

1. Digital Week

- Global Dialogue on AI Governance
- AI for Good Global Summit 2026
- WSIS Forum 2026
- P2C

2. WTPF-26

Global Dialogue on AI Governance

6 – 7 July 2026
Palexpo, Geneva



The Preliminary Report of
the **Independent
International Scientific
Panel on AI**





AI for Good Global Summit

Unlocking AI's potential to serve humanity
7 – 10 July 2026
Palexpo, Geneva



2026 Summit in numbers

A snapshot of participation, reach and impact at the AI for Good Global Summit.



12'000+

Participants overall



5'000+

Downloaded Cvent app



76% / 24%

Participants from developed /
developing countries



1200+

Speakers



250

Exhibitors



43%

Women



177+

Countries



53

UN Partners



150+

Accredited media



380

Sessions





Summit Outcomes

Launch of the network of the AI for Good Labs

Announcement of **AI for Good Impact Europe 2027**

Winners of the **Robotics for Good Youth Challenge 2026**

- o **Venezuela** took first place in both the Junior and Senior categories, with **Viet Nam, India, and Mexico** also finishing among the top four teams in both categories.

Launch of the 3rd edition of Robotics for Good Youth Challenge on AI for health with WHO

Winner of the **Innovation Factory**

- o Grand Finale - Nearpays (**Nigeria**)
- o Female Entrepreneurs - DIVERSSITY (**Switzerland**)

Winners of the **Space Computing / ML challenges**

Launch of **three new Focus Groups**

- o AI for Smart Sustainable Cities and Communities
- o Embodied AI for multimedia technologies
- o Trust and Identity for Humans and Agentic AI

Winners of the **3 competitions**

- o Canvas of the Future - "*What Remains of Us*", Rolando Cedeño de la Cruz (**Costa Rica**)
- o Film festival - "*Plastic Erosion*", Yifei Li and Zheng Bao (**China**)
- o Impact Awards - ReadBuddy (AI for People); Happywhale (AI for Planet); Ramona AI (AI for Prosperity)

Innovate for Impact Report **3rd edition announcement.**



National Pavilions



Switzerland



China



Japan



Kazakhstan



Malawi



United States

AI for Good Global Commission



*Scan here to read
more about the
Commission*





WSIS Forum 2026

6 – 10 July 2026, Palexpo, Geneva





"WSIS vision remains not only relevant, but urgent. The question before us today is no longer whether digital technology can support development. We know they can. The real question is whether the digital transformation of the coming decade will widen existing gaps or help close them."

H.E. Eng. Raafat Hendy

Minister of Communications and Information Technology
Egypt (Arab Republic of)

Chair, WSIS Forum 2026

Key Figures

250+
SESSIONS

~1,000
SPEAKERS

177
COUNTRIES

50+
EXHIBITION SPACES

78 MINISTERS & DEPUTIES

46 REGULATORS

29 UN HEADS & DEPUTIES



Summit Outcomes

- **WSIS Forum 2026: Chair's Summary**
- **WSIS Forum 2026: Outcome Document**
- **WSIS Forum 2026: High-Level Outcomes and Executive Brief**
- **High-Level Track Facilitators Leaders TalkX Session Summaries**
- **Sessions Outcomes**
- **WSIS Stocktaking 2026 Global Report**
- **WSIS Stocktaking Success Stories 2026**

Geneva Digital Week 2027



Partner2Connect

P2C surpasses **USD 100 billion** in commitments to connect the world.



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more about the
P2C Champions*



ITUWTPF

NASSAU2026

2-4 September 2026
Nassau, The Bahamas



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PP-26 Updates

- Extraordinary Council Session
- Plenipotentiary Conference 2026





Extraordinary Council Session



Scan here for the
Circular Letter 37

ITU

Supreme Organ of the Union
(CS, Art.7)

Determines the
general policies for
fulfilling the
purposes of the
Union

Held every

4

years

Elects the management team
of the Union (Secretary-General, Deputy
Secretary-General, and 3 Directors), the 48
Council Member States and 12 RRB Members

During

3

weeks

- Amends CS & CV
- Adopts the Financial Plan & Strategic Plan
- Adopts the Final Acts

Attending

≈ 2900

participants



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Sept.
2026

3rd Informal
inter-regional
preparatory
meeting
(during
WTPF-26, 2-4
Sept), Nassau

12

Oct.
2026

**Candidature
Submission
Deadline** (GR
170).

At 23.59 hours,
GVA time

14-15

Oct.
2026

**4th Informal
inter-regional
preparatory**
meeting (exact
date TBD; hosted
by Saudi Arabia)

19

Oct.
2026

**Firm deadline
for all
contributions**
(Res. 165 (Rev.
Dubai, 2018))

7

Nov.
2026

**Last meeting of
C26**

8

Nov.
2026

Informal meeting
of Heads of
Delegation

9

Nov.
2026

Meeting of
Heads of
Delegation,
**Opening
Ceremony**, and
First Plenary





MWC26 Doha will co-locate alongside the **Plenipotentiary Conference** (PP-26).

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UN General Assembly

- Digital@UNGA2026: "Building a Digit'all Future – Together"
- UN80 Update

81st Session of the UN General Assembly

18-28 September 2026



Digital @UNGA



"Building a Digit'all Future – Together"



Scan here for the
**full Schedule of
Events**



UN80 Initiative

1. The Technology Accelerator Platform, led by **ITU**
2. The expertise-on-demand mechanism, co-led by **ITU** and UNDP



United
Nations



Question Three

What are you looking forward to most for the rest of the year?

- **PP-26 in Doha** – and the decisions that will shape the ITU's next four years.
- The successful conclusion of the **Human Rights Council**.
- **COP31** – the United Nations Climate Change Conference – in Antalya, Türkiye.
- Our upcoming **Ambassadors' briefing on PP-26?**



Thank you!

