Common Agenda

Global Digital Compact

October 2022

Digital Cooperation at the United Nations

2019

Secretary-General's High-Level Panel's Report: The Age of Digital Interdependence

2020 JUN

Secretary-General's Roadmap for digital cooperation

2020 SEP

General Assembly declaration on the Commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the United Nations

2021

Secretary-General's Report: Our Common Agenda

2022/ 2023

Consultation Process for Global Digital Compact

2023

Ministerial Meeting on the Summit of the Future

2024

Summit of the Future – Global Digital Compact

Background

2019 - Report of the **Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Digital Cooperation**

2020 - **Secretary-General's Roadmap for Digital Cooperation**

2021 - Secretary-General's Common Agenda, developed in response to the **UN75 Declaration**, prioritizes the digital space, and the need to "protect the online space and strengthen its governance".

- A **Global Digital Compact** to be developed through a multistakeholder track, which would outline shared principles for an **open**, **free** and **secure digital future for all**.

Global Digital Compact - Digital has joined other commons as a domain that concerns global interests. Rules of the road, inclusiveness (digital as commons not a club), not only for the benefit of today but also future generations.

Timeline

By the end of April 2023: Secretary-General's main input via policy briefs

By the end of 2023: Secretary-General's consolidated inputs

2021 Sep

Secretary-General's Report: Our Common Agenda

2022 Jan

Launch of the GDC online Consultation Platform. Find out more.

2022 Feb

President of the General Assembly-led Thematic consultations on Our Common Agenda

2022/2023

Consultations for Global Digital Compact

2023 Sep

Ministerial Meeting on the Summit of the Future

2024 Sep

Summit of the Future – Global Digital Compact

PGA-led Negotiations on Compact (tbc)

Three Pillars of the Tech Envoy Office

Coordination and Coherence within the System

Digitally Enabling Progress on Sustainable Development Goals

Governance

- **Global Digital Compact** — OSET
  - UN Internal Coordination
  - Multistakeholders Consultations
  - Public Call for Input
- Accountability of tech companies
- Guidelines e.g., Digital Transformation & Development

Find out more.

Key Digital Issues Suggested in Our Common Agenda

1. Connect all people to the internet, including all schools
2. Avoid internet fragmentation
3. Protect data
4. Apply human rights online
5. Introduce accountability criteria for discrimination and misleading content
6. Promote regulation of artificial intelligence
7. Digital commons as a global public good

Key areas to be considered in the GDC Consultation

1. Consultation Process

How to engage all stakeholders as broadly as possible, to ensure diversity and geographical representation?

2. Document Nature

To what extent should stakeholders be bound by the compact? How to ensure accountability? What elements should be included? i.e., principles and norms, pledges, good practices.

3. Compact content

Are there any other areas that should be included in the Global Digital Compact, other than those proposed in Our Common Agenda?

4. Vision of the Digital Future

What kind of digital future do you envisage? Any DOs and DON'Ts?

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We Look Forward to Hearing From You!