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Accelerating Green, Resilient,
and Inclusive Digitalization 



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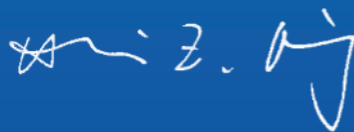
Dear Partners,

We are delighted to welcome you to an inaugural Digital Development Partner Forum, to be held in Vienna, Austria, on November 14–16, 2022.

Digitalization is the transformative opportunity of our time. Amid multiple crises—prompted by conflict, climate shocks, COVID-19 fallout—digital technologies continue to keep people, governments, and businesses connected. In developing countries, they have an enormous potential to drive green, resilient, and inclusive development.

In light of the rapidly evolving digital agenda, the Digital Development Partner Forum 2022 will bring together partners to review progress achieved, exchange innovative ideas, discuss remaining challenges, and explore opportunities for partnering for effective cooperation in times of overlapping crises.

We look forward to seeing you in Vienna.



Christine Zhenwei Qiang

*Director, Digital Development Global Practice,
World Bank*

About

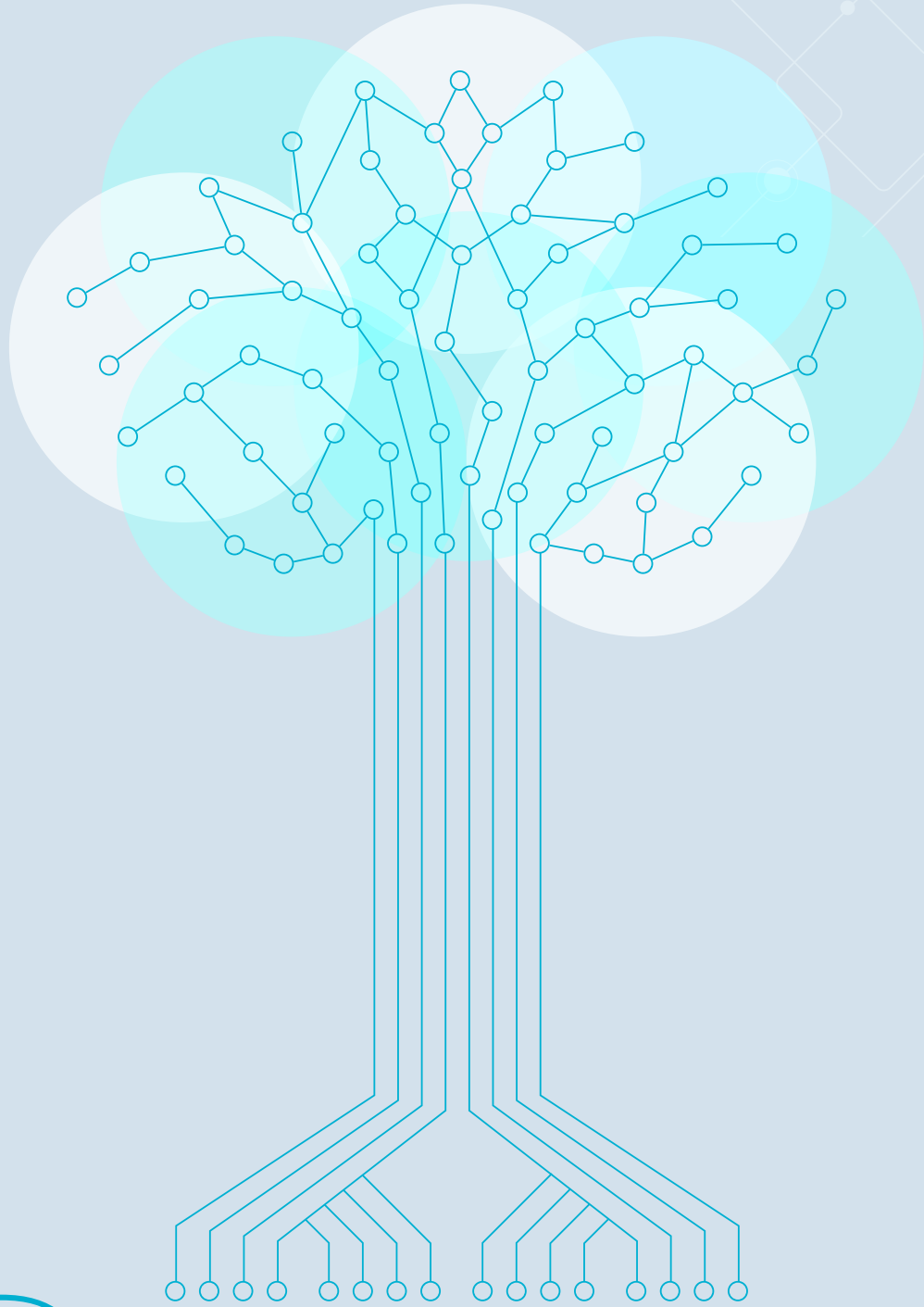


The Digital Development Partnership (DDP) is a partnership between the World Bank and public and private sector partners to help developing countries accelerate green, resilient, and inclusive digitalization. DDP's support of analytical and advisory services helps shape the global digital agenda and support client countries in the formulation and execution of their digital transformation strategies, underpinned by significant World Bank Group development financing. Strategic priority areas include (1) broadband connectivity, access, and use; (2) digital data infrastructure; (3) ICT industry and digital jobs; (4) digital safeguards; (5) digital for climate; (6) accelerating digital across sectors. Since its inception in 2016, the DDP portfolio has reached over \$37 million supporting 120+ grants in more than 80 countries around the world. Funds disbursed by the DDP have leveraged a record of \$10.7 billion in World Bank lending.



The Cybersecurity Multi-Donor Trust Fund was launched in 2021 as a special initiative under the DDP Umbrella to provide knowledge, technical assistance, and practical tools to help build cyber and digital security capability and capacity. Activities help countries develop and implement strategies that allow them to take advantage of the opportunities of the digital age while safeguarding their infrastructure against cyber risk, leveraging lending operations for both investment needs and institutional strengthening. This initiative also supports expanding global cybersecurity knowledge and evidence and contributes to fostering global policy coherence.

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Program



November 13, Sunday

18:30

Welcome Cocktail Reception

Novotel Wien City Hotel Restaurant | Aspernbrückengasse 1, 1020

November 14, Monday

9:00–10:00

Registration | Coffee and Light Refreshments

Location: World Bank Office | Praterstrasse 31, Floor 1, 1020

10:00–10:15

Welcome and Opening Remarks

» **Christine Zhenwei Qiang**, Director, Digital Development Global Practice, World Bank

10:15–11:00

Setting the Scene: Digital Development in the New Development Context

» **Vivien Foster**, Chief Economist, Infrastructure Practice Group, World Bank

Overlapping catastrophes during the past two years, including the COVID-19 pandemic, a rise in armed conflict, and natural disasters fueled by climate change, have reversed human development around the world. Like never before, digital technologies have proven critical to supporting national resilience, and keeping people, governments, and businesses connected. At the same time, they continue to carry great risks of exacerbating economic and social divides and creating new privacy and security vulnerabilities. The session will review recent digital development trends, their key risks and opportunities for more effective global cooperation, with a focus on recent and future crises.

11:00–12:30

Digital Development Partnership: Key Results and Lessons Learned

The session will highlight the role DDP has played in shaping the global digital agenda and supporting client countries in their digitalization journeys over the past six years. The session will also include a moderated panel discussion zooming in on the progress made at the regional levels, and highlighting the remaining challenges and opportunities to scale the work.

12:30–13:30

Lunch

13:30–14:45

Scaling Up Digital at the World Bank: Our Emerging Vision for the Future

The session will provide an overview of the World Bank's renewed vision to assist client countries in leveraging technologies and data to accelerate green, inclusive, and resilient digitalization. The session will include a moderated discussion with partners on the key elements of the proposed strategy: Do we have the right level of ambition? What will it take to succeed? What is missing?

14:45–15:00

Coffee Break

15:00–17:00

Connecting the Dots: Partners' Strategic Priorities

The session will feature select partners' presentations on their key strategic priorities. The session will also discuss the alignment of the partners' priorities with the World Bank's vision for scaling up digital and ways to strengthen cooperation between the partners and the World Bank to achieve meaningful results at scale.

17:00 – 17:15

Wrap-up of Day 1

18:30

Cocktails and Dinner

Motto am Fluss Restaurant on the Danube Canal | Franz-Josefs-Kai 2 1010



November 15, Tuesday

8:00–8:30 **Coffee/Tea and Light Refreshments**

8:30–10:00 **Digital Development Partnership: FY23 Partnership Council Meeting**

This is an official FY23 Partnership Council meeting for donors contributing to the DDP Umbrella Trust Fund. Other partners are welcome to attend as observers. The session will review and endorse the Tranche VII workplan (to be distributed to partners ahead of the Forum) and discuss other programming and administrative matters of the trust fund.

10:15–10:30 **Re-cap of Day 1**

10:30–12:30 **Putting the Vision into Focus: Technical Deep Dives**

The technical deep dives will zoom in on the following strategic priority topics:

» **Digital Data Infrastructure**

Data is a key economic asset providing unprecedented opportunities for development. The social and economic value of data can be maximized by scaling up investment in data infrastructure and services, strengthening data governance, and developing integrated data management infrastructure, platforms, and analytical capabilities.

» **Digital for Climate Change**

Digital innovation offers potentially game-changing opportunities for a green transition, while the greening of digital technologies itself is critical to achieve digitalization in a sustainable way. A partnership approach is necessary to help close the enormous gaps in financing of green digital infrastructure in developing countries.

» **Bridging the Digital Divide**

Narrowing the gap in access, adoption, and usage of digital technologies, data, and services will entail reducing affordability, cultural, and physical barriers, and utilizing digital tools to expand access to markets, employment, and educational opportunities for all. Greater collaboration between the public and private sectors is key to closing the digital divide.

12:30–13:30 **Lunch**

13:30–14:45 **The Role of the Private Sector in Accelerating Digitalization**

Harnessing the full potential of digitalization requires strong partnerships with the private sector. The session will explore the role that the private sector plays in supporting developing countries in their digital transformation journeys and explore effective engagement modalities with the private sector in the new development context.

14:45–15:00 **Coffee Break**

15:00–16:15 **Digital Development Partnership 2.0: Charting the Path Forward Together**

The session will provide an opportunity to reflect on key takeaways from the discussions during the two days and jointly chart the forward-looking path for DDP 2.0: What will our success look like? What would it take to achieve it? How can we program resources more effectively to further strengthen DDP impact?

16:15–16:30 **Closing Remarks**

» **Pablo Fajnzylber**, *Director, Strategy and Operations, Infrastructure Practice Group, World Bank*

18:00 **Cultural Event/Excursion and Dinner**

Warm up with mulled wine aboard an Oldtimer Tram for a tour of Vienna, followed by a dinner at a traditional Austrian restaurant Mayer am Pfarrplatz.

Note: The tram will be leaving from Schwedenplatz, 1010, Vienna at 18:00. Forum organizers will meet you at 17:45 at the Novotel Hotel lobby to walk to the oldtram pick-up location (~10 min walk). You may also choose to meet us there directly.



November 16, Wednesday

8:30–9:45

Cybersecurity Multi-Donor Trust Fund Steering Committee

- » Update on the status of the work, funding and financial situation, and partnerships.
- » Planning of our next steps and schedule for this fiscal year. Arrangements for future programming of activities.
- » (Preparation will be shared ahead of the meeting)

9:00–17:00

Bilateral Meetings

In parallel, we will offer opportunities for bilateral meetings between partners and the World Bank management. Time slots for bilateral meetings to discuss any specific follow-up will be scheduled upon request. Bilateral meetings with Christine Qiang can be scheduled from Wednesday afternoon to Thursday afternoon.

Please reach out to Elena if you would like to schedule a meeting.

10:15– 11:30

Technical Deep Dive: Systematizing Cyber Solutions for Low- and Middle-Income Countries

All partners are welcome to attend

- » This session will offer a technical briefing on how we are rolling out cybersecurity solutions in low- and middle-income countries.
- » The session will feature short presentations by Task Team Leaders from different regions. We hope to foster a better understanding for our technical approaches, and the complementarity of WB trust funds and WB loans and grants.
- » The session will also give insights into gaps that remain in the agenda, and opportunities to join hands to close these gaps, together.
- » Grants to be presented and discussed: Nigeria, Regional East Africa, Mongolia, Nepal, Caribbean/Dominica

12:30

Cybersecurity Team Lunch

Partner Attendee List

Name	Title	Division	Country
Thierry Barbe	<i>Head of Unit Science Technology Innovation and Digitalization, Directorate-General for International Partnerships (INTPA)</i>	European Commission	European Commission
Lars Erik Forsberg	<i>Deputy Head of Unit, Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology (CONNECT)</i>	European Commission	European Commission
Aki Enkenberg	<i>Senior Advisor, Innovation and Digital Cooperation</i>	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Finland
Silja Leinonen	<i>Senior Adviser, Development Policy, Innovation and Digital Development</i>	Ministry for Foreign Affairs	Finland
Riitta Swan	<i>Ambassador for Innovation</i>	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Finland
Bjorn-Soren Gigler	<i>Head of Data Economy, Blockchain & Digital and Green Twin Transition Programs</i>	German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ)	Germany
Katharina Mänz	<i>Policy Advisor and Acting Head of Division</i>	Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)	Germany
Björn Richter	<i>Head of the Digital Cluster</i>	German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ)	Germany
Aziz Ourhalouch	<i>Digital for Development Expert</i>	LuxDev	Luxembourg
Claire Stoffels	<i>Development Cooperation Officer</i>	Ministry for Foreign and European Affairs	Luxembourg
Marte Briseid	<i>Senior Advisor, Section for Multilateral Development Banks</i>	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Norway
Deokwon Heo	<i>Principal Manager</i>	National Information Society Agency (NIA)	Republic of Korea
Eunyoung Jang	<i>Director</i>	Ministry of Science and ICT	Republic of Korea
Hyesun Lee	<i>Manager</i>	National Information Society Agency (NIA)	Republic of Korea
Minji Lim	<i>Researcher</i>	Korea Internet & Security Agency (KISA)	Republic of Korea
Juneil Park	<i>Deputy Director</i>	Ministry of Science and ICT of ROK	Republic of Korea
Kyuchul Song	<i>ICT Attaché</i>	Embassy of the Republic of Korea in the USA	Republic of Korea
Nadja Dolata	<i>Policy Specialist in Digitalization</i>	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)	Sweden
Eva Lovgren	<i>Deputy Director for International Organizations and Policy Support</i>	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)	Sweden



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Rehab Alarfaj	<i>General Manager of Strategic Partnerships & Indices</i>	Saudi Data and Artificial Intelligence Authority (SDAIA)	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Alhassan Alhazmi	<i>GM, Policy & Legislative Development</i>	Saudi Data and Artificial Intelligence Authority (SDAIA)	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Raneem Alkattan	<i>Strategy Officer</i>	Saudi Data and Artificial Intelligence Authority (SDAIA)	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Majed Alshammari	<i>Special Adviser for Data Governance</i>	Saudi Data and Artificial Intelligence Authority (SDAIA)	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Abdullah Alqahtani	<i>Systems General Manager</i>	National Information Center	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Esam Alwagait	<i>Director</i>	National Information Center	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Richard Warren	<i>Cyber Adviser, Head of Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning</i>	Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)	The United Kingdom
Jamie Zimmerman	<i>Interim Deputy Director, Digital Connectivity for Women and Girls</i>	Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation	
Nina Bekele	<i>Partnerships for Social Impact</i>	Google	
Malte Will	<i>Partnerships for Social Impact</i>	Google	
Luca Elmosi	<i>Director, International Relations</i>	GSMA	
André de Aragão Azevedo	<i>Global UN & IGO, Tech for Social Impact Group, Digital Development Partnerships Director</i>	Microsoft	
Alexandre Pinho	<i>Global UN & IGO Sector Lead, Tech for Social Impact Group</i>	Microsoft	



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