The Global Data Compact We Need:
A Forward-looking Agenda | Official Side Event

Time: 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM EDT

Date: 21 September 2024

Venue: Violeta Parra Stage, The People's Forum, 320 West 37th Street, New York, NY 10018

Concept Note

The Global Digital Compact (GDC) negotiations highlighted the need for a comprehensive and inclusive multistakeholder dialogue on data governance at all levels as relevant for development. A Working Group of the UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD) has been requested to report to the General Assembly at its 81st Session on recommendations for equitable and interoperable data governance arrangements.

This side event will explore some substantive elements and institutional architecture of an international global data governance framework for an equitable and accountable digital innovation order, such as the following:

1. How can global data governance ensure economic, social, climate, and gender justice?
2. To evolve principles and common standards of data governance from a 'do no harm' and 'maximize benefits' perspectives, what are some insights from national and regional experiences?
3. How can we bring convergences in regulatory approaches to cross-border data flows for responsible digital innovation and equitable digital economies? What mechanisms can be implemented to operationalize the agreements?
4. What data rights can protect the human rights of the most vulnerable in the transnational economy – gig workers, small farmers and fishers, climate refugees, people on the move/ migrants, indigenous peoples, and children?
5. How can we ensure that efforts to bridge divides in data infrastructural capabilities in the international digital order are cognizant of common but differentiated responsibilities for a just and sustainable transition?

Register for the event [here].
Learn more about the event [here].