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Artificial Intelligence Conference

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Provisional programme

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09:30	T1 – Al policy	Plenary	International cooperation		
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14:30		Plenary	Closing plenary session		

Structure and format of the conference

The conference has two tracks:

Track 1 – Al policy: This track will focus on the legislative and oversight dimensions of Al. A significant focus will be placed on translating ethical principles into enforceable laws, whilst also addressing the geopolitical landscape of Al and the need to tailor approaches to local and regional contexts.

Track 2 – Al in parliament: This track will focus on the practical application and governance of Al within parliamentary work, exploring how Al tools and strategies can enhance processes, improve efficiencies and strengthen democratic institutions.

Plenary sessions will take place on all three days of the conference. In parallel, there will be two workshop rooms on 28 November and the morning of 29 November with collaborative problem-solving exercises, and practical, activity-based sessions. Participants can freely choose which sessions they participate in.

The Provisional programme is organized into half-day blocks. Each block indicates the Track (Al policy or Al in parliament) and the room (plenary or workshop). Interpretation is provided in English, French, Spanish and Arabic in all rooms. A detailed Programme will be published at the end of October 2025.

Friday, 28 November 2025

Day	28 November	Time	14:00–14:30
Track		Room	Plenary
Title	Opening ceremony		

The Speaker of the House of Representatives of Malaysia and representatives of the IPU, CPA and UNDP will welcome participants and outline expectations for the conference. The coorganizers will introduce the structure and format of the conference, setting out the ways in which delegates can participate.

Day	28 November	Time	14:30–16.00
Track 1	Al policy	Room	Plenary
Title	Keynote presentation		

The world is in the midst of a profound technological transformation driven by artificial intelligence (AI). The unprecedented speed and scale of AI development present a dual reality: on the one hand, immense opportunities to accelerate human progress, and on the other hand, significant risks to fundamental rights, democratic processes and global stability.

A high-level keynote presentation will set out what is at stake and invite participants to reflect upon the means of parliamentary action to shape the future of responsible Al.

Day	28 November	Time	16:30–18:00
Track 2	Al in parliament	Room	Plenary
Title	The future of parliaments		

What will AI mean for the functioning of parliaments? Today, we are at the very beginning of a change. No-one can know with certainty where this journey will end. This observation holds true for parliaments themselves.

Parliaments are starting to make use of AI to work more efficiently, for example to create and publish records of parliamentary debates more quickly than before. Some parliamentarians are starting to use AI to support their work, for example to summarize the vast amounts of information they are expected to deal with, or to facilitate communication with constituents. Given that AI is rapidly evolving and the expectation of its transformative impact on society, what are the scenarios for the impact on the work of parliaments in the future?

Through a moderated round table followed by plenary debate, participants will explore questions such as, will Al ultimately enhance the role of parliament, or diminish it? What are the fundamental principles that parliaments wish to preserve? What do parliaments need to be thinking about to prepare for this future? What guardrails are needed to protect the effective functioning of parliaments?

Day	28 November	Time	18:00
Title	"Evening tea" reception		

The Parliament of Malaysia will offer an "evening tea" reception at the conference venue with light refreshments for all conference participants.

Saturday, 29 November 2025

Day	29 November	Time	09:30-13:00
Track 1	Al policy	Room	Plenary
Title	Navigating societal transformation in the age of Al		

This module will explore how AI is accelerating broad societal transformations and what this means for the role of parliaments. AI is influencing the way citizens access information, interact with institutions and participate in public life. It is also reshaping labour markets, education pathways and systems of social protection. Left unmanaged, these shifts risk deepening inequalities, eroding trust and leaving many behind. Through panel discussion and working groups, participants will examine how parliamentary action can help societies adapt to this new reality: aligning AI innovation with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), putting safeguards in place to protect rights and fostering public debate on ethical boundaries, labour-market transitions and digital public infrastructure. The module will highlight approaches to embed societal values into AI policy, and how oversight and legislative functions can guide transformation towards resilience, fairness and human rights.

Day	29 November	Time	09:30-13:00
Track 1	Al policy	Room	Workshop 1
Title	Building national capacity		

This module will explore how parliaments, governments, and stakeholders can strengthen national readiness for AI by investing in people, institutions and governance frameworks. Participants will examine models for developing digital skills, fostering research and innovation ecosystems, and ensuring equitable access to AI benefits across society. The session will highlight comparative experiences from across the world, focusing on practical steps legislatures can take to create enabling policy environments, mobilize resources, and build trust with citizens. By the end, delegates will have identified pathways for advancing inclusive and sustainable AI capacity at the national level.

Day	29 November	Time	09:30-13:00
Track 2	Al in parliament	Room	Workshop 2
Title	Journeys towards AI adoption in parliament		parliament

Case studies will showcase how parliaments are using AI to deliver solutions in a range of areas, such as for transcription of parliamentary debates, legislative processes and public engagement. Through group discussion and facilitated exchange, participants will take a "deep dive" into how parliaments are approaching the use of AI. They will explore common concerns, discuss challenges faced and identify opportunities. By the end of the session, participants will have a better understanding of the potential uses for AI in their own context.

Day	29 November	Time	14:30–18:00
Track 1	Al policy	Room	Plenary
Title	Law-making and oversight		

As AI becomes increasingly embedded in our societies and in the functions of governments, parliaments face the challenge of keeping pace with the pace of change while safeguarding rights and democratic values. This plenary will explore how parliaments can strengthen their core functions of lawmaking and oversight in the AI era.

Plenary discussion will highlight approaches to translating ethical principles into enforceable laws and how parliaments can nationalize international governance frameworks on Al. It will examine practical approaches to oversight of Al and other emerging technologies, and showcase practices parliaments have used. The session will also present comparative experiences from across regions, including emerging regulatory models.

Participants will consider what institutional capacities and innovations are required for parliaments to remain effective guardians of the public interest while enabling responsible AI innovation.

Day	29 November	Time	14:30–18:00
Track 1	Al policy	Room	Workshop 1
Title	Gender & Al		

This module will examine the intersection of AI and gender, acknowledging the gendered harms that AI systems can perpetuate, from deepfake abuse to algorithmic bias. At the same time, the session will adopt a solutions-oriented approach, highlighting how ethics by design, greater diversity in AI development, and equitable access to science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education can mitigate risks and foster inclusion. Partners will also showcase how AI can be harnessed to identify and respond to technology-facilitated gender-based violence, drawing on practical examples from different contexts. The discussion will provide participants with strategies to promote equity, safety and empowerment in the AI era.

Day	29 November	Time	14:30–18:00
Track 2	Al in parliament	Room	Workshop 2
Title	Building blocks for AI in parliament		

This session will explore the building blocks for Al adoption, such as strategy, data governance and building Al literacy, and help participants understand their own parliament's Al maturity. The session will draw on the IPU Guidelines for Al in Parliament and the IPU Maturity Framework for Al in Parliament, as well as real-world examples from a range of parliaments. Recognizing that there are many ways to approach Al, participants will learn about the resources available to help them design their own journey with confidence and develop a set of questions to consider on returning to their own parliament.

Sunday, 30 November 2025

Day	30 November	Time	09:30–13:00
Track 1	Al policy	Room	Plenary
Title	International cooperation		

This module will highlight the importance of cross-border and multistakeholder collaboration in shaping responsible and inclusive approaches to Al. International cooperation is essential to harmonize standards, share best practices and prevent regulatory fragmentation. The session will also address the digital divide, exploring how global partnership can help ensure that no countries are left behind in benefitting from advances in Al. Participants will consider how parliaments in particular can engage with multilateral frameworks, build regional partnerships, and strengthen dialogue with international institutions to advance equitable, sustainable and democratic Al governance.

Day	30 November	Time	09:30-13:00
Track 2	Al in parliament	Room	Workshop 1
Title	Equipping parliaments for the AI era		

This module will focus on strengthening the capacities of parliaments to engage effectively with AI. As AI becomes embedded in daily life, parliaments require practical skills to understand, evaluate and apply these tools responsibly. Without such capacity, the risk grows that parliaments fall behind the pace of technological change. Through panel discussions, the module will emphasize the importance of building AI literacy across all levels of parliament and discuss safeguards for the responsible usage of AI in parliaments. Participants will work through practical patterns, what to ask vendors, how to document models and datasets, what to publish for transparency, and when to pause or escalate.

Day	30 November	Time	09:30-13:00
Track		Room	Workshop 2
Title	"Unconference"		

The "Unconference" is a free space on the conference programme. All delegates have the opportunity to propose themes for debates and workshops on subjects that they wish to discuss in further detail. The agenda for the Unconference will be finalized through a collective decision-making process during the conference. More details about how to propose a theme for the Unconference will be published by the end of October.

Day	30 November	Time	14:30–17:30	
Title	Closing plenary session			

The closing plenary will take stock of the main issues that have been addressed during the conference. The outputs from the workshops will be presented for participants' feedback. Participants will review the conference outcome document and discuss next steps in parliaments' role in shaping the future of responsible AI.