



Digital Black Box: *CSO participation in AI-based surveys*



Key Objectives:

The panel tackled the issue of the Digital Black Box and offered preliminary ideas on enhancing CSO participation in the UN and IOs. The goal was to pave the way for a more transparent, inclusive, and effective engagement in the digital age.

1. Rethinking CSO Participation: Re-evaluating our current concepts of meaningful civil society participation in the digital age and exploring what truly effective civil society engagement looks like today.
2. Key elements to enhance the participatory process of the CSOs within the UN and IOs, including:
 - a. New Policy Mandates for Public Disclosure: The UN and IOs must publicly disclose their methods of data gathering and data analysis from e-platforms.
 - b. Feedback Mechanisms: Emphasizing the need for CSOs to be able to track their submissions and receive updates, fostering greater transparency and trust.
 - c. Better digital tools tailored to enhance CSO engagement: Allocating sufficient technical and financial resources to facilitate effective CSO participation.
 - d. Best Practices: Sharing examples from national, regional, and international initiatives where civil society has been effectively integrated into policy-making through e-platforms and other digital tools.

Agenda

08h15-08h20	5 mins	Overview	Marianne Haslegrave Commonwealth Medical Trust (Commat)
08h20-08h30	10 mins	Introduction	Raymond Saner Centre for Socio-Eco-Nomic Development (CSEND)
08h30-08h45	15 mins	Redefining CSOs Engagement with the UN in the Age of AI	Emad Tinawi Coalition for a Common Digital Future (C4-CDF)
08h45-09h00	15 mins	Does AI increase or decrease transparency? Tools and our relations with them	Yung-Hsuan Wu Diplo Foundation
09h00-09h15	15 mins	AI and trust - the missing link	Bernhard Fuhrer Swiss Network of International Studies (SNIS)
09h15-09h35	20 mins	Q & A	Audience
09h35-09h45	10 mins	Closure	Marianne Haslegrave

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