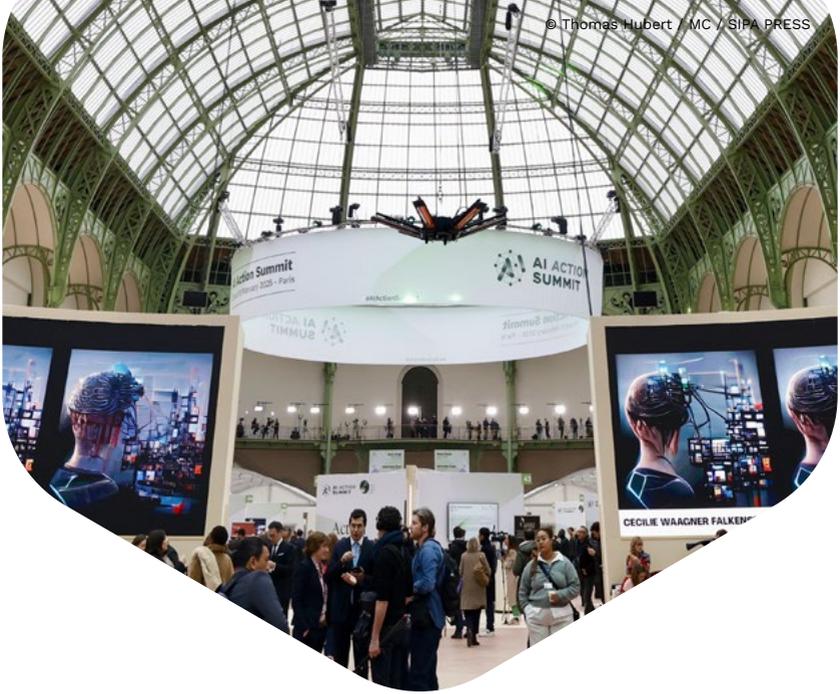# AI Action Summit

→ Paris, 6-11 February 2025

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Today at the Grand Palais, we are pleased to welcome India, the United States of America, China, Europe, countries from Africa and Latin America, and Heads of State and Government, researchers, civil society representatives, entrepreneurs and investors. We are here to hold dialogue and try to follow this path, to understand this science and make it work in the public interest.

In essence, we believe in innovation, we believe in acceleration, we believe in investment, but we also want trustworthy AI, AI which rebuilds unity in the international community.
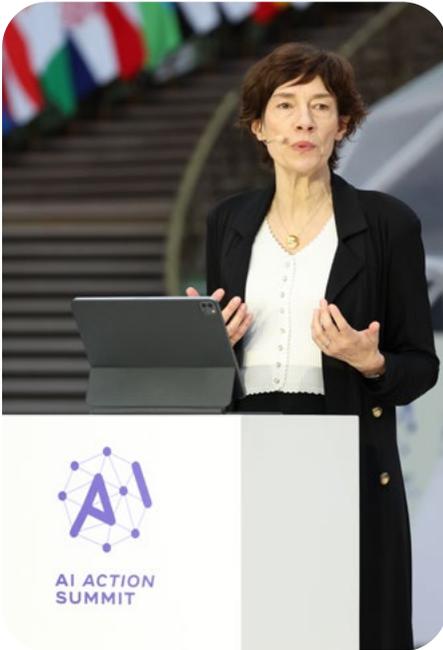
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Emmanuel Macron, President of the Republic,
Summit closing ceremony, 11 February 2025.

Why did France host the AI Action Summit?

→ **By Anne Bouverot,**
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Artificial intelligence is fundamentally transforming our societies, economies and cultures. Six months after the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games and fifteen months after the first AI Summit held at Bletchley Park, in the United Kingdom, Paris, France and Europe were at the centre of the world's attention during the AI Action Summit.

Progress stems from exchanges of ideas and cultures. That is the spirit which guided each step of the organization. The Summit, which was co-chaired by France and India, and this entire week devoted to AI, were unprecedented in their inclusiveness: they were shaped by over 800 contributors from more than 100 countries - governments, international organizations, researchers, entrepreneurs and civil society.

An aim of this Summit was also to move past the science fiction aspect of AI to demonstrate its tangible applications. Many examples and scenarios were selected and showcased from over 700 candidates from around the world.

Finally, we all aspire to have a say in our own future. With respect to France and Europe, we took this opportunity to expand the wealth of our research and innovation ecosystems, and to announce significant private and public investments.

More broadly, the Paris Actions for Artificial Intelligence map out the road for AI development for shared progress. This means reconciling the digital transition with the ecological transition; making sure that AI is developed to increase jobs and not to replace them; and to develop an AI that serves the public interest.

I would like to thank again all those who took part in this unique adventure. The Summit's success is your success.

An unprecedented approach:

providing the Summit with input from discussions held across the globe. More than 250 events were held in France and abroad before and during the Summit.

$\longrightarrow$ **A Global Reflection**

The AI Action Summit honoured the promise to include input from people from all over the world in its preparation.

More than **250 labelled events** were held between July 2024 and February 2025

More than **40,000 peoples** took part in discussions and shared their contributions

$\longrightarrow$ **Science, culture, action and dialogue**

The future of AI cannot be determined in a few hours behind closed doors.

The AI Action Summit was conducted far beyond the doors of the Grand Palais and fulfilled its aim of facilitating our societies' ownership of AI by hosting in Paris the largest global meeting on AI ever held:

6 and 7 February 2025

The AI, Science and Society Conference at the Institut Polytechnique de Paris to understand and plan for the future of AI and its impact on our societies

3,800 participants
from across the globe, 70% from academia, 94 speakers

8 and 9 February 2025

A cultural weekend for the general public at the Bibliothèque Nationale de France and the Conciergerie to explore changes brought about by IA and immerse themselves in interactive experiences

3,000 participants

10 and 11 February 2025

A two-day Summit at the Grand Palais

1,500 participants
from across the globe

More than 500 journalists
around 100 countries represented

11 February 2025

More than 100 events organized by governments, companies, international organizations, NGOs and universities to discuss and map out the future of our societies and economies with AI

More than 5,000 participants

The world convened at the Grand Palais

for two days dedicated to the future of AI

63 demonstrations of AI's contribution to our societies

in the public interest, in developing countries, in businesses and to take AI forward.

148 speakers from 43 countries,

48% of whom were women and 27% from NGOs and academia.

The Summit was granted the "Equality at a Major Event" label, for the attention given to equality during its organization.

Numerous meetings on the sidelines of the Summit

A Business Day at Station F to show and together build products and services of the future in all sectors, including health, transport, the ecological transition, finance, industry and labour.

AI in the City at École Normale Supérieure to discuss public interest AI and its social and environmental impact and to hold a student town hall meeting.

The Forum for Sustainable AI at the Ministry for the Ecological Transition to showcase AI applications for sustainable development.

Paris Actions for Artificial Intelligence

Participants from more than 100 countries from across the globe gathered together at the Grand Palais and recalled their commitment to a common approach based on sharing science, solutions and common standards. They **announced more than 100 tangible actions and commitments to foster a trustworthy AI that is accessible to all, in the public interest.**

Find out more about the Paris Actions on the Élysée website

1 **Giving everyone the means to personally benefit from AI** *and making sure it serves the public interest.*

Specifically? The Summit launched a foundation to support public interest AI, and to put AI to the service of our democracies and children's development, as well as unprecedented investment in AI worldwide, particularly in Europe.

Current AI, an international foundation for public interest AI, aims to launch and support tangible projects which serve the public interest. Current AI will focus on three key areas: data, openness and accountability of AI models.

Initial investment of €400 million over five years

The foundation is supported by ten countries including Chile, Finland, France, Germany, India, Kenya and Nigeria.

2 Encouraging the development of more sustainable AI that respects the environment, *social cohesion and our democracies.*

Specifically? As a result of the Summit, a coalition for sustainable AI, a business pledge for a trustworthy AI in the world of work, a network for sharing knowledge on AI's impact on labour, coordinated by the ILO and the OECD, were launched. Analysis of AI related risks (international scientific report on AI security, analysis of AI's risks and benefits for cyber security by the National Cyber Security Agency) was shared and joint exercises to manage risks were conducted.

The **Coalition for Sustainable Artificial Intelligence** launched by France, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) aims to reduce AI's energy and environmental cost so that it can be widely shared and contribute positively to our energy and environmental goals. Major initiatives were conducted ahead of the Summit, for example, by the International Energy Agency to share information on data centre consumption.

96 partners

including 39 companies,
13 countries and
6 international organizations;
7 initiatives already conducted
ahead of the Summit

The **Pledge for a Trustworthy AI in the World of Work** aims aims to move towards achieving six objectives by the G7 in 2026, including promoting social dialogue, ensuring occupational safety and health in the workplace, and promoting productivity and inclusiveness across value chains.

Close to 60 multinationals

members of large networks
(IMPACT AI, Global Deal France,
Les Entreprises S'Engagent,
Positive AI, AEDIPE) signed
the pledge.

The **French National Institute for AI Evaluation and Security (INESIA)** aims to analyse systemic risks in the area of national security and evaluate the performance and safety of AI models. It will represent France within the network of AI safety institutes. The Institute shows the importance France is giving risk management, particularly in combating disinformation, sharing new tools against manipulation of language models and identifying deception in AI systems.

(3) Strengthening the international AI governance system
to make it more accessible, inclusive and effective.

Specifically? The Summit generated commitments regarding maintaining human control in AI-enabled weapon systems, laid the foundations for the "global dialogue" and a "scientific panel" set out in the UN's Global Digital Compact, and enhanced pioneering cooperation networks such as the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence.

For the first time, an international working group produced a **map of areas and needs for a global, comprehensive and inclusive governance.** Instigated by France and India, it will coordinate and clarify the roles of different governance bodies.

For the first time, **more than 60 countries signed a political statement on AI.** It will help forge a common vision for a trustworthy, sustainable and inclusive AI.

64 Signatories

including India, China, Canada, Australia, the European Union and its Member States, and the African Union.

A Summit to position France and Europe
at the forefront of AI

Europe and France can only influence the course of AI if they know how to develop it. The Summit was an opportunity to recall and reinforce the assets of the AI ecosystem in France and Europe, starting with European champions, including Mistral, Aleph Alpha, Helsing, Cradle, SiloAI, iGenius, Black Forest Labs, Tilde and SwordHealth.

At the Summit, **the European AI Champions initiative** was launched, and 120 large companies and start-ups (including Airbus, ASML, AXA, Deutsche Bank, EDF, Helsing, Mistral AI, Orange Group, Publicis, SAP and Siemens AG) gathered together to accelerate the adoption and development of AI in Europe.

Specifically? The Summit was an opportunity to announce unprecedented investments in France and Europe in AI infrastructures and start-ups, to affirm the European Commission's determination to ensure a balanced and effective implementation of the General Regulation on AI and to boost financing of generative AI in European industries.

$\longrightarrow$ **Unprecedented investments were announced**
for AI Europe

€109 billion

in French and foreign private investment
in AI infrastructures in France

€20 billion

in European Commission's investment in AI giga factories

€200 billion

in public and private investments in Europe via the InvestAI Initiative
of the European Commission and private finance announced under
the EU AI Champions Initiative

Openness and action: the legacy of the Paris Summit for the upcoming international meetings on AI

o AI is evolving so quickly that close coalitions of a few countries can take leadership on certain issues, as it happened in Paris regarding the environment or the world of work.

o Whether to manage risks or share benefits, getting a large number of the world's countries together is critical to global AI action over the long term.

o Civil society and companies provide crucial knowledge and perspectives to governments in this area.

o AI diplomacy is also scientific and cultural diplomacy.

o The multilateral system will be crucial to sharing science, solutions and standards regarding AI.

After the Paris Summit, the upcoming key events for AI action

February 2025

RightsCon,
in Taipei

April 2025

Global AI Summit
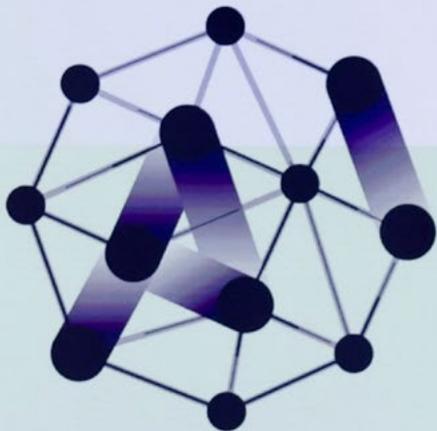on Africa
in Kigali

June 2025

UNESCO Global
Forum on the
Ethics of Artificial
Intelligence
in Bangkok

July 2025

ITU's AI for
Good Global
Summit
in Geneva

Upcoming

Fourth Global AI
Summit
to be held by
India

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