# Agenda

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| 10:00 | Opening Remarks | Hybrid | Ellen M. Granberg | President, George Washington University  
Ekaterini Nassika | Ambassador of the Hellenic Republic to the USA  
Nicolas Mialhe | President and Founder, The Future Society  
Pamela Norris | Vice Provost for Research, George Washington University  
Vilas Dhar | President and Trustee, Patrick J. McGovern Foundation |
| 10:00 | Welcome Remarks | Hybrid | Richard Blumenthal | United States Senator  
The remarks will delve into next steps for a US legislative and regulatory framework to ensure trustworthy AI. |
| 10:25 | Panel: Managing Safety and Security Risks in Foundation Models | Hybrid | Irene Solaiman | Head of Global Policy, Hugging Face  
Joslyn Barnhart | Senior Research Scientist, Strategic Governance Lead, Google DeepMind  
Tom Goldstein | Volpi-Cupal Professor of Computer Science, University of Maryland; Co-PI, NIST-NSF TRAILS  
Juraj Čorba | Digital Regulation & Governance Expert, Slovak Ministry of Investments, Regional Development and Informatization; Chair-Elect, OECD AIGO  
Stephanie Ifayemi (moderator) | Head of Policy, Partnership on AI  
The session will address shared safety and security challenges posed by foundation models. Panelists will discuss the implications of foundation models and assess proposed governance approaches throughout their life cycles. In doing so, it will consider the role of mechanisms such as the recently announced U.S. Executive Order, U.S. voluntary commitments, the code of conduct by the US-EU Trade and Technology Council, and the Frontier Model Forum. |
| 10:40 | Keynote | Hybrid | Lala Qadir | Principal Assistant Director and Chief of Staff, National Security Division, Office of Science and Technology Policy  
The session will explore OSTP’s priorities in regards to the governance of generative AI and foundation models, unpacking safeguards and next steps proposed by the recent executive order. |

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| 1:45 pm   | Panel: Global AI Governance: What's Next for International Institutions? | Hybrid | **Amandeep Signh Gill** | Secretary Generals’ Envoy for Technology, United Nations  
**Gabriela Ramos** | Assistant-Director General for Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO  
**Audrey Plonk** | Head of Division, Digital Economy Policy, OECD  
**Gary Marcus** | Emeritus Professor of Psychology and Neural Science at NYU and CEO at the Center for the Advancement of Trustworthy AI  
**Susan Ariel Aaronson** (moderator) | Professor of Intl. Affairs, Director of the Digital Trade and Data Governance Hub, and co-PI of NIST-NSF TRAILS, The George Washington University  
The session will identify actionable takeaways for a unified international approach to responsible AI development. Panelists will analyze if and how existing international frameworks should be considered for governing AI systems, and the vital roles of initiatives by the UN, OECD, UNESCO, and other multilaterals. |
| 2:30 pm   | Fireside Chat: Coordinated Approaches for AI Governance | Hybrid | **Dragos Tudorache** | Member of European Parliament (pre-recorded remarks)  
**Lynne E. Parker** | Associate Vice Chancellor and Director of the AI Tennessee Initiative, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
**Marek Havrda** | Deputy Minister for European Affairs, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic  
**Nicolas Moes** (moderator) | Director, European AI Governance, The Future Society  
The session will analyze the role of coordinating bodies in enforcing AI regulation and policies, including the proposed AI agency in the EU and the AI office in the US. It will explore measures regarding the implementation, enforcement, and harmonization of AI policies, to support the responsible development and deployment of AI systems across the global arena. |
| 2:55 pm   | Fireside Chat: Trustworthy AI in the Global South | Hybrid | **Neema Lugangira** | Member of Parliament Tanzania, and Chair, African Parliamentary Network on Internet Governance  
**Yolanda Botti-Lodovico** (moderator) | Policy and Advocacy Lead, Patrick J. McGovern Foundation  
Addressing the opportunities and challenges of the latest AI advances, the session will stress the need to include Global South perspectives in AI governance. It will aim to bridge gaps between Global North and South on AI inclusion and policy to ensure that the benefits of frontier AI systems are democratized in a secure, safe, and ethical manner. |
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| 3:15 pm   | Closing Remarks | Hybrid | **John C. Havens** | Regenerative Sustainability Practice Lead, The IEEE Standards Association  
**Yolanda Lannquist** | Director, Global AI Governance, The Future Society |

**Day 1: Closed-door Dialogue and Reception (Invitation only)**

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| 4:00 pm   | Closed-door Dialogue: Navigating AI Deployment Responsibly: Open-Source, Fully-closed, and the Gradient in Between | In-person (invitation-only) | **Alyssa Ayres** | Dean, George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs  
**Nicolas Miailhe** | President and Founder, The Future Society  
**Anthony Aguirre** | Executive Director & Secretary of the Board, Future of Life Institute; Professor of Physics, University of California, Santa Cruz  
**Russell Wald** | Deputy Director, Stanford Institute for Human-Centered AI (HAI)  
**Elizabeth Seger** | Research Scholar, Centre for the Governance of AI (GovAI)  
**Peter Cihon** | Senior Policy Manager, GitHub  
**Heather Frase** | Senior Fellow, Georgetown’s Center for Security and Emerging Technology (CSET)  
**Ian C. Haydon** | Science Communicator, Institute for Protein Design  
**Lala Qadir** | Principal Assistant Director and Chief of Staff, National Security Division, Office of Science and Technology Policy |

Experts will lead roundtable discussions unpacking the implications of different AI deployment methods. Through the examination of specific use cases, panelists will explore the benefits and drawbacks of alternative deployment methods, seeking actionable recommendations that balance technological innovation with ethical integrity.

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**Ulrik Vastergaard Knudsen** | Deputy Secretary-General, OECD  
**Cédric Wachholz** | Chief of Section, Digital Innovation and Transformation Section, UNESCO  
**Margot Skarpeteig** | Program Manager, Human Rights, Empowerment and Inclusion, The World Bank |
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| 10:20     | Panel: Decoding AI: Challenges in Classification, Measurement, and Evaluation | Hybrid | **Rumman Chowdhury** | Chief Scientist, Parity Consulting  
**Elham Tabassi** | Chief of Staff, Information Technology Laboratory  
U.S. NIST  
**Jared Mueller** | Head of External Affairs, Anthropic  
**Sebastian Hallensleben** | Chair of JTC 21, CEN, CENELEC  
**Emmanuel Kahembwe** | CEO, VDE UK  
**David Broniatowski** (moderator) | Associate Professor, The George Washington University; Co-PI and GW Site Lead, NIST-NSF TRAILS  
The session will explore the roles of definitions, metrics, benchmarks, and evaluations in governing advanced AI systems. It will discuss the legal and regulatory implications of the terms “foundation models,” “generative AI,” and “general-purpose AI,” and examine both existing and emergent challenges in classification, measurement, and evaluation. |
| 11:20     | Fireside Chat: The Path to Generative AI Regulation in China | Hybrid | **Yi Zeng** | Professor, Director; Brain-inspired Cognitive Intelligence Lab and International Research Center for AI Ethics and Governance, Institute of Automation, Chinese Academy of Sciences; Founding Director, AI for SDGs Cooperation Network; Founding Director, Center for Longterm AI  
**Samuel Curtis** (moderator) | Associate, The Future Society  
The session aims to explore the specific challenges and approaches taken by China in regulating generative AI. It will delve into the evolving landscape of AI regulation in China, discussing its implications for privacy, security, intellectual property, and societal impact. |
| 11:40     | Keynote: Evolving Considerations and Definitions around Personhood | Hybrid | **Katherine Forrest** | Partner; Former U.S. Judge, Paul, Weiss  
The keynote will delve into the complex interplay between AI and evolving legal definitions of personhood. Drawing on extensive expertise in law and technology, it will explore how the advent of increasingly capable AI systems challenges existing legal frameworks, offering invaluable insights on unprecedented ethical and legal quandaries posed by AI. |
| 11:50     | Fireside Chat: DHS Priorities for AI Governance | Hybrid | **Robert Silvers** | Under Secretary, Department of Homeland Security  
The session will delve into the Department of Homeland Security’s priorities for Safe, Secure, and Responsible AI standards, including protocol for cyber defense. |
| 12:00     | Remarks | Hybrid | **Yvette Clarke** | United States Representative  
The remarks will delve into next steps for a US legislative and regulatory framework to ensure trustworthy AI. |
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| 1:00 - 1:35 pm | Fireside Chat: Uncovering the Use of Generative AI in Judicial Contexts | Hybrid | Juan David Gutierrez Rodriguez | Associate Professor, School of Government of Universidad de los Andes  
Miriam Stankovich | Principal Digital Policy Specialist, DAI  
Linda Bonyo | Founding Director, Africa Law Tech; Founder, Lawyers Hub Kenya  
Kimberly H. Kim | Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge, California Public Utilities Commission  
Cédric Wachholz (moderator) | Chief of Section, Digital Innovation and Transformation Section, UNESCO |
| | | | The session will explore the rise of generative AI tools and their dual role in the judicial systems worldwide: as powerful assistants for legal operators and as an object of emerging litigation. Invoking real-world examples, experts will discuss the use of generative AI tools by legal operators and propose concrete steps to build capacity, such as the UNESCO AI toolkit for judicial operators. |
| 1:35 - 2:35 pm | Panel: The impact of Generative AI on Elections | Hybrid | Rebekah Tromble | Director, Institute for Data, Democracy & Politics, George Washington University  
Caio Machado | Head of Communications, Instituto Vero  
Mariela Oliveira | UNESCO Communications and Information Sector’s Division for Digital Inclusion, Policies and Transformation  
Paul Nemitz | Principal Adviser at DG JUSTICE, European Commission  
Merve Hickok (moderator) | President, Center for AI and Digital Policy |
<p>| | | | The session will take stock of recent cases involving generative AI’s impact on democracy and strategies to mitigate security risks in electoral processes. Experts will address the threats that AI-generated content poses to national security and the provision of fundamental rights, and debate policy interventions and legal guardrails. Discussions will provide concrete recommendations for mitigating the risks AI systems pose to elections. |</p>
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**Tawana Petty** | 2023-2025 Just Tech Fellow, Social Science Research Council  
**Nicolas Moës (moderator)** | Director, European AI Governance, The Future Society  
_The session will bring together influential voices in AI governance to unpack pivotal trends and challenges shaping the 2024 landscape. Discussion topics will include evolving geopolitics, emerging AI regulations, effective advocacy, and cross-sector coalition building. This session aims to equip stakeholders with actionable insights and strategic tools for navigating the challenges ahead._ |
| 3:15     | Remarks                                                                   | Hybrid | **Anna Eshoo** | United States Representative  
_The remarks explore upcoming AI policy advancements in 2024, underscoring a holistic approach that prioritizes both safety and ethical considerations._ |
| 3:20     | Closing Remarks                                                          | Hybrid | **Stefanos Vitoratos** | Co-Founder, Homo Digitalis  
**Nicolas Mialhe** | President and Founder, The Future Society |

**Day 2: Closed-door Reception (Invitation only)**

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CEO
VDE UK

Emmanuel Kahembwe
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Stanford Institute for Human-Centered AI (HAI)
About The Future Society

The Future Society (TFS) is the organizer of The Athens Roundtable. TFS is an independent non-profit registered in the United States and Europe, with the mission to align AI through better governance. We develop, advocate for, and facilitate the implementation of governance mechanisms that ensure AI systems are safe and aligned with fundamental human values—now and in the future.

Fifth Edition’s Co-hosts

In 2023, The Athens Roundtable will be co-hosted by the Institute for International Science and Technology Policy (IISTP) at the Elliott School of International Affairs, the NIST-NSF Institute for Trustworthy AI in Law & Society (TRAILS), UNESCO, OECD, World Bank, IEEE, Homo Digitalis, the Center for AI and Digital Policy (CAIDP), Paul, Weiss LLP, Arnold & Porter, and the Patrick J. McGovern Foundation. It will proudly be held under the aegis of the Embassy of Greece in Washington D.C.