

AI in development: It all starts with data

AI can't be fair if the data it's built on isn't.

As a trusted convener we leverage expertise from a 700+ strong network to build the data foundations that can make AI work for sustainable development.

Join us in bringing the benefits of AI to those who need them most.

The fast-paced development of emerging digital technologies presents incredible opportunities for accelerating development progress. AI will only benefit development if it is inclusive by design. That requires fair data, equitable access, and accountable governance.

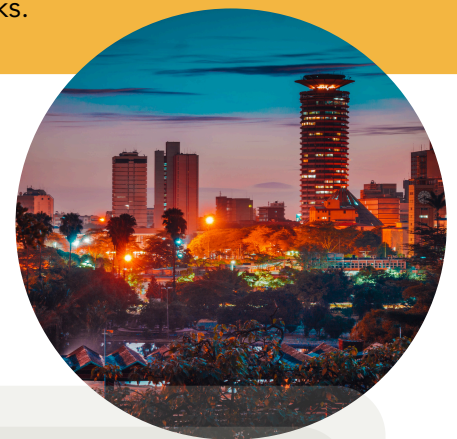
Our network of 700+ partners across more than 50 countries is uniquely placed to make that happen. We connect policymakers, technologists, and affected communities across regions, bringing the expertise to spot gaps, share learning, and scale what works.

From promise to practice: Making AI a national priority

Governments want to use AI to deliver development results, yet there's no ready-made roadmap. We connect the dots so strategies and policies are representative, implementable, and owned by the institutions that will deliver them.

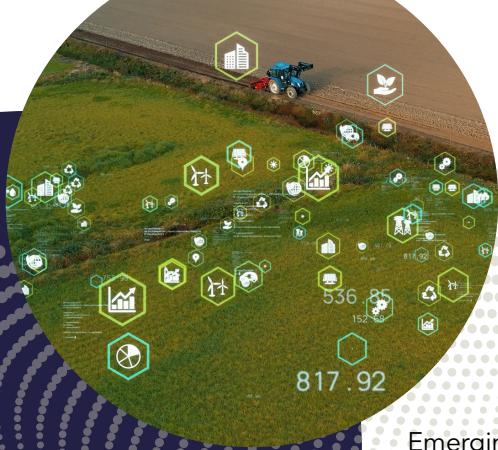
Working with national partners, we build the technical and governance capacity needed to develop and use AI responsibly and effectively. The aim is simple: safe, inclusive, evidence-based systems that benefits to the people who need them most.

As an independent, trusted broker—outside government and donor systems, but embedded across the data ecosystem—we're able to facilitate multi-stakeholder engagement across governments, civil society, communities, academia, and business and turn shared priorities into practical plans.



As the Government of Kenya developed its national AI strategy, we led stakeholder engagement. Across a series of town halls and targeted focus group meetings we surfaced the real needs, built trust, and ensured community priorities shaped the final strategy.

Collaborators: The German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development; Kenya Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy; GIZ



Future-proofing systems and skills

Emerging tech only delivers when institutions have the infrastructure, skills, and governance to use it. We draw on our network's expertise to embed practical solutions and build local capacity, so AI is useful, inclusive, and well-governed, producing decision-ready evidence.

In Colombia, working with the National Administrative Department of Statistics (DANE) and machine-learning specialists we co-designed a semi-automated pipeline for food security and nutrition indicators. As well as improving data collection and analysis procedures, the initiative enabled real-time enhancements to their statistical operations and more evidence-based decision-making on agricultural and food systems policy.

Collaborators: Colombia National Administrative Department of Statistics (DANE)

Shaping norms and rules

As a trusted advisor in international policy networks, we are able to inform the development of global governance. In 2024 our contribution shaped the UN Global Digital Compact—the first comprehensive framework for digital cooperation and AI governance.

Through country-level engagements we help translate global standards into practice. At the nexus of national and international policymaking, we mobilize political and financial commitments to data systems and inform processes on data and AI governance.

WAYS TO WORK WITH US



Enable ongoing learning through peer exchange

We connect across countries and sectors to help governments obtain the skills they need to use AI responsibly.



Maximize impact through strategic collaboration

We match development needs with the expertise, fostering collaborative applications of AI in development.



Catalyze investments for more responsible and inclusive AI

We leverage evidence from our network to drive high-level political and financial commitments to data.