

PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

22 February 2023

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 22 February 2023 from H.E. Ms. Anna Karin Eneström, Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Claver Gatete, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Rwanda to the United Nations, as co-facilitators of the intergovernmental process on the Global Digital Compact. The attached letter contains an updated roadmap for the intergovernmental process on the GDC, including the dates and themes for thematic deep dives, the first one being scheduled for **27 March 2023** which will focus on **digital inclusion and connectivity**.

I take this opportunity to thank Ambassador Eneström and Ambassador Gatete for their outstanding efforts to fulfil this role.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Csaba KŐRÖSI

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York





February 22, 2023

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Reference is made to our letter dated January 16, 2023, informing Member States of our road map for the intergovernmental process on the Global Digital Compact.

In this regard, we have held our first informal consultations with Member States and Stakeholders. We thank you for your active engagement.

Moving forward, the road map foresees informal consultations with Member States, observers and stakeholders in the form of deep dives throughout the spring under different themes. Attached is an updated road map with themes for each deep dive.

The themes reflect observations, comments and views expressed during the first informal consultations. Noting a strong support to include the Sustainable Development Goals, these will be considered throughout the consultations as well as be the theme for the last deep dive.

The deep dives aim to inform, share knowledge, as well as allowing for questions on a wide range of digital issues. Stakeholders not present in New York can make statements remotely. The link will also be shared via e-deleGATE in case representatives of Member States wish to observe the meeting remotely to allow for as broad participation as possible.

In order to facilitate participation, the invitations will include guiding questions which will be circulated prior to the respective deep dive. There will also be briefers to introduce the topics. Please note that although full days have been scheduled for some deep dives may be concluded during the morning session.

We invite Member States to share this letter with relevant stakeholders in your respective country. Stakeholders interested to participate in the above-mentioned consultations are asked to register at <a href="https://www.un.org/techenvoy/global-digital-compact/intergovernmental-process">www.un.org/techenvoy/global-digital-compact/intergovernmental-process</a>.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Anna Karin Eneström Ambassador Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations

Claver Gatete Ambassador Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations

## **Roadmap for the intergovernmental process on the Global Digital Compact**

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Date	Activity	Location
27 March	Thematic Deep-Dive: <b>Digital</b>	NY, TRI
	inclusion and connectivity	
13 April	Thematic Deep-Dive: Internet	NY, TRI
	governance	
24 April	Thematic Deep-Dive: Data	NY, TRI
	protection	
8 May	Thematic Deep-Dive: Human	NY, CR1
	<b>Rights online</b>	
April	SG's Policy Brief to be issued	New
		York
25 May	Thematic Deep-Dive <b>Digital trust</b>	NY, CR1
	and security	
2 June	Thematic Deep-Dive: Artificial	NY, CR1
	Intelligence and other emerging	
	technologies	
9 June	Thematic Deep-Dive: Global	NY, CR1
	digital commons	
14 June	Thematic Deep-Dive: Accelerating	NY, CR1
	progress on the Sustainable	
	<b>Development Goals (SDGs)</b>	

Date	Activity	Location
June-August 2023	Development of the Issues Paper based on the	New York
	consultations	
September 2023	Presentation of the Issues Paper at the Ministerial Meeting	New York
End of 2023/First and Second	Negotiations	New York
quarter of 2024		
September 2024	Summit of the Future	New York