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Registration

Start date of registration

10 Apr 2025

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End date of registration

12 Oct 2025

Event dates

Start date

31 Oct 2025

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End date

Location

Global or multi-regional

Training topics

Training topics

Digital inclusion

Training type

Training modality

Online instructor led

Languages

Languages

English

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Price

\$0.00

Event organizer(s)



Description

Rapid development of digital technologies provides new opportunities for public policy. Technologies such as artificial intelligence, e-government platforms, big data or geospatial analysis tools hold immense potential to facilitate decision-making and provision of public services, enable citizen participation, prevent threats to public security and the rule of law, and advance human rights. At the same time, digital technologies may reinforce inequalities, exacerbate discrimination and infringe on privacy. How can the positive transformative effect of emerging digital technologies be unlocked without compromising human rights?

This introductory course equips the participants with the essential knowledge of the opportunities and the risks that new digital technologies present to human rights and approaches to addressing them. The course consists of four modules. The opening module first introduces the concept of human rights and its foundations in international law. We then examine how human rights manifest themselves in a digital context. The second module explores the impact of emerging digital technologies on human rights. We critically consider the ability of digital innovations to foster as well as compromise human rights, in particular the rights to privacy, freedom of expression, and equality and non-discrimination. In the third module, we get acquainted with the key principles and design strategies for responsible governance of digital technologies. We zoom in on the key regulatory frameworks that support a human-rights-based approach to digital regulation. In the closing, fourth module, we look at some of the best practices in ensuring responsible digital regulation, including policies aimed at digital inclusion and empowerment, awareness raising and education, and capacity building.

With the generous support of the Global Gateway initiative of the European Union, this course is offered for free for selected participants.

Registration information

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