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Welcome to the United Nations University Global AI Network





About Us

United Nations University



A network for solutions-focused research

We generate research to encourage the rethinking of existing policies and perspectives.

A think tank for the UN System

Our research informs policymaking and promotes positive global change.

An immersive academic institution

We train the next generation of leaders through various postgraduate degree programmes worldwide.



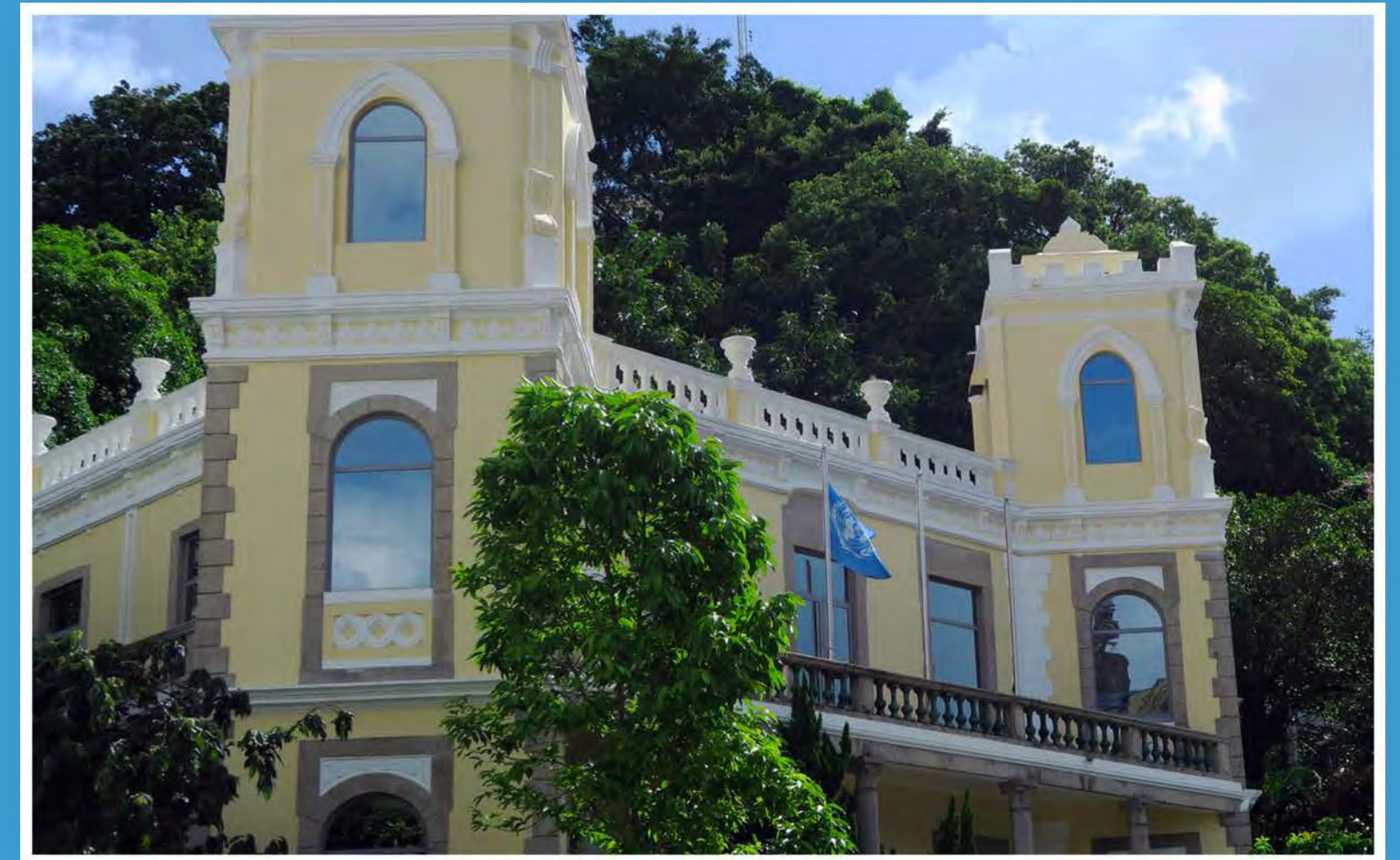
Prof. Tshilidzi Marwala

Rector of the United Nations University

Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations

"As the network continues to grow organically, collaborations are steadily broadening and strengthening. I envision the network to become a global actor. As such, the network will demonstrate that multi-stakeholder collaboration for the ethical and responsible use of AI to advance sustainable development is not only feasible but also an effective way to reduce inequalities in access to — and the benefits of — AI for all."

United Nations University Institute in Macau



One of the 13 global institutes of the United Nations University, conducting research and training on digital technologies for sustainable development.

The only UN entity in the Greater Bay Area of China, working in Macau with a focus on digital transformation for 30+ years

A bridge to facilitate dialogue between the Global North and the Global South, as well as between the cultural East and West.



Dr. Jingbo Huang

Director

UNU Macau

“We will deepen regional initiatives across Asia, Africa, and beyond, place youth at the centre of innovation, and foster new partnerships that translate ethical principles into concrete actions for the Sustainable Development Goals.

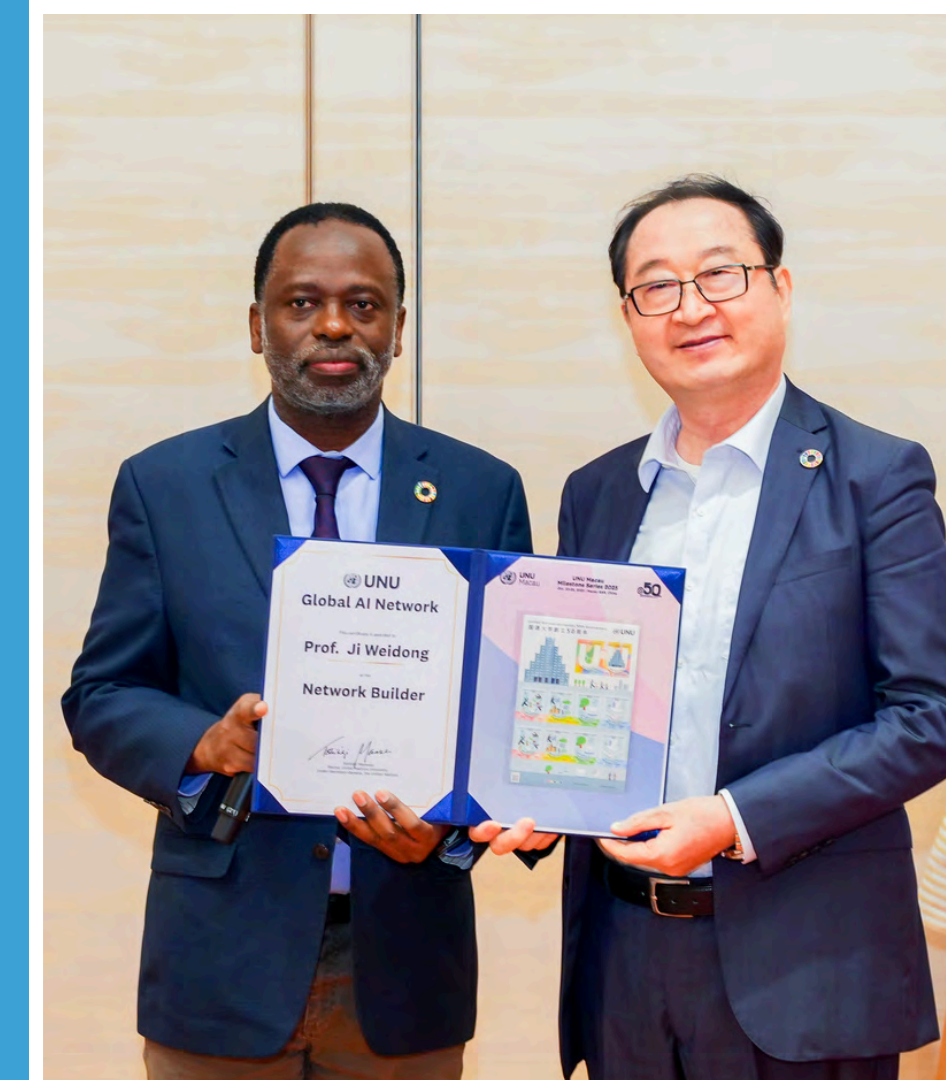
I warmly invite all stakeholders who share our commitment to join our growing global community and contribute to building an AI future that benefits all of humanity.”



United Nations University Global AI Network

A global platform that facilitates **multi-stakeholder cooperation on AI to advance sustainable development.**

Operating under the strategic leadership of UNU, the Network promotes artificial intelligence for an inclusive, responsible, and sustainable digital future for all.



Our Mission

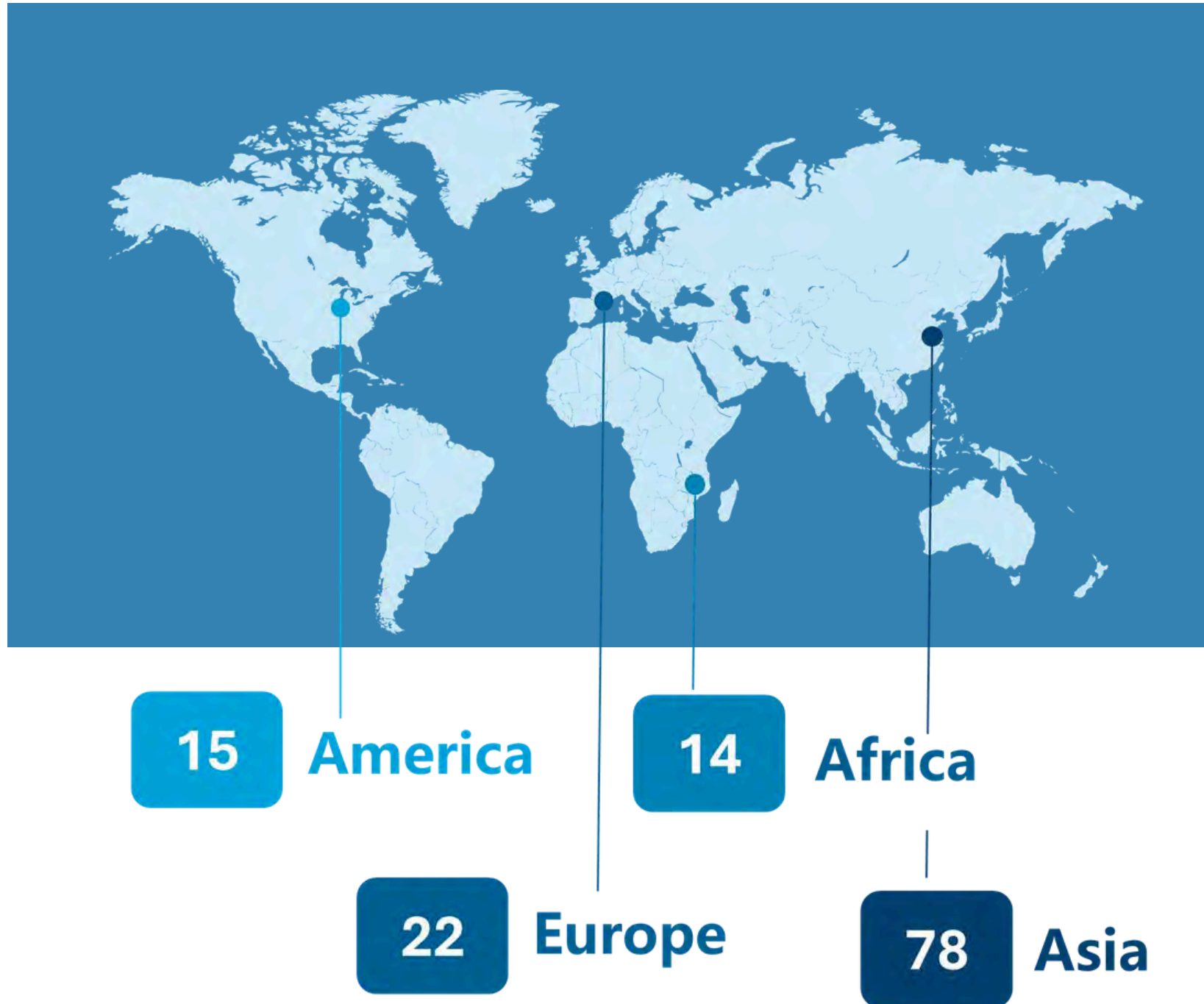
Share knowledge on AI that benefits society as a whole

Promote evidence-based **policymaking** around AI and AI governance frameworks.

Co-create solutions to advance sustainable development for AI and with AI.

Conduct research on AI to advance its benefits for the people and planet today and in the future and to counter potential harms from AI.

Establish partnerships on AI capacity-building to develop education and training programmes.



Member Connection

The UNU Global AI Network continues to grow as a vibrant, diverse, and truly global community.

129
Members

37 Countries

4 Continents

71% From the Global South



Co-Chairs

Prof. Weidong Ji

Director of the Center for AI Governance and Law,
Shanghai Jiaotong University

Prof. Vivian Ogochukwu Nwaocha

Associate Professor at the National Open University of Nigeria

Members

Prof. Marc Deisenroth (Scientific advisor)

Google DeepMind Chair of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence

Dr. Walter Gehr

General Directorate for Cultural Affairs, Austrian Ministry for European
and International Affairs

Prof. Arthur Mutambara

Director of the Institute for the Future of Knowledge, University of
Johannesburg

Mr. Mohamed Shareef

Director of Government and International Relations, OXIQA

Ms. Jane Wu

Executive Director at Venture Cup China

Prof. Weiyu Zhang

Director of the Civic Tech Lab, National University of Singapore

Advisory Board

What We Do

AI Research

AI Capacity Building and Training

AI Governance

AI Youth and Innovation

Know More about Our Activities



AI CONFERENCE 2025

AI for Humanity: Building an Equitable Digital Future
Celebrating UN80 and UNUat50 | Oct. 23-25, 2025 | Macau SAR, China

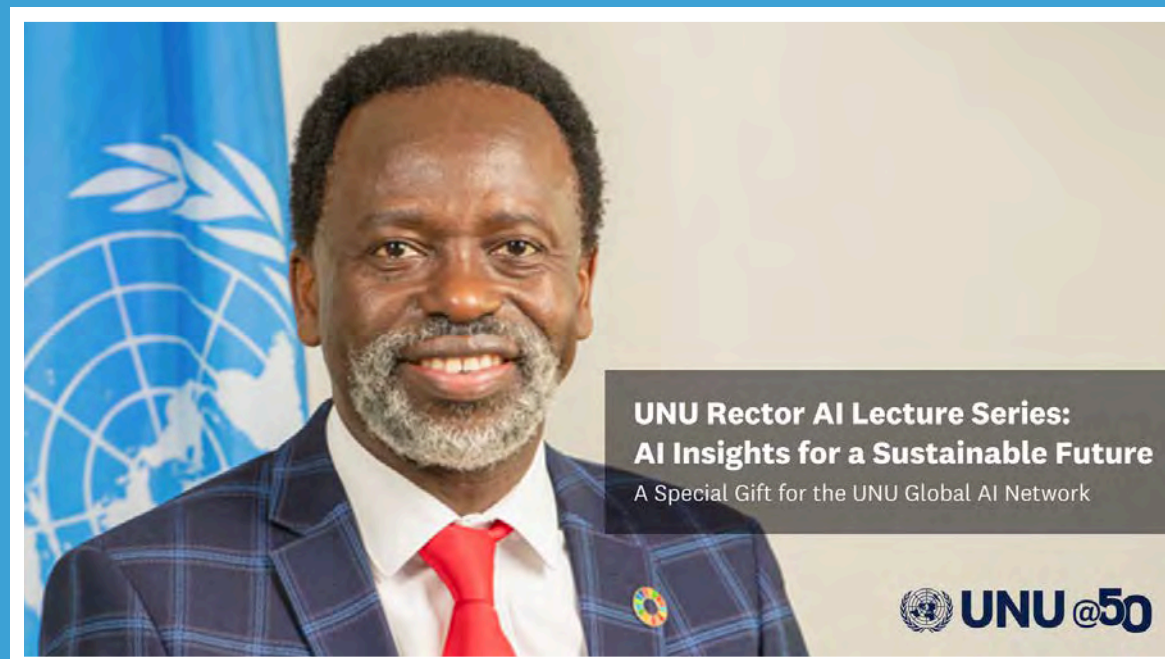
UNU-Springer Book Series on Artificial Intelligence
Sustainable Development

Launch Ceremony



Lecture Series

UNU Rector AI Lecture Series

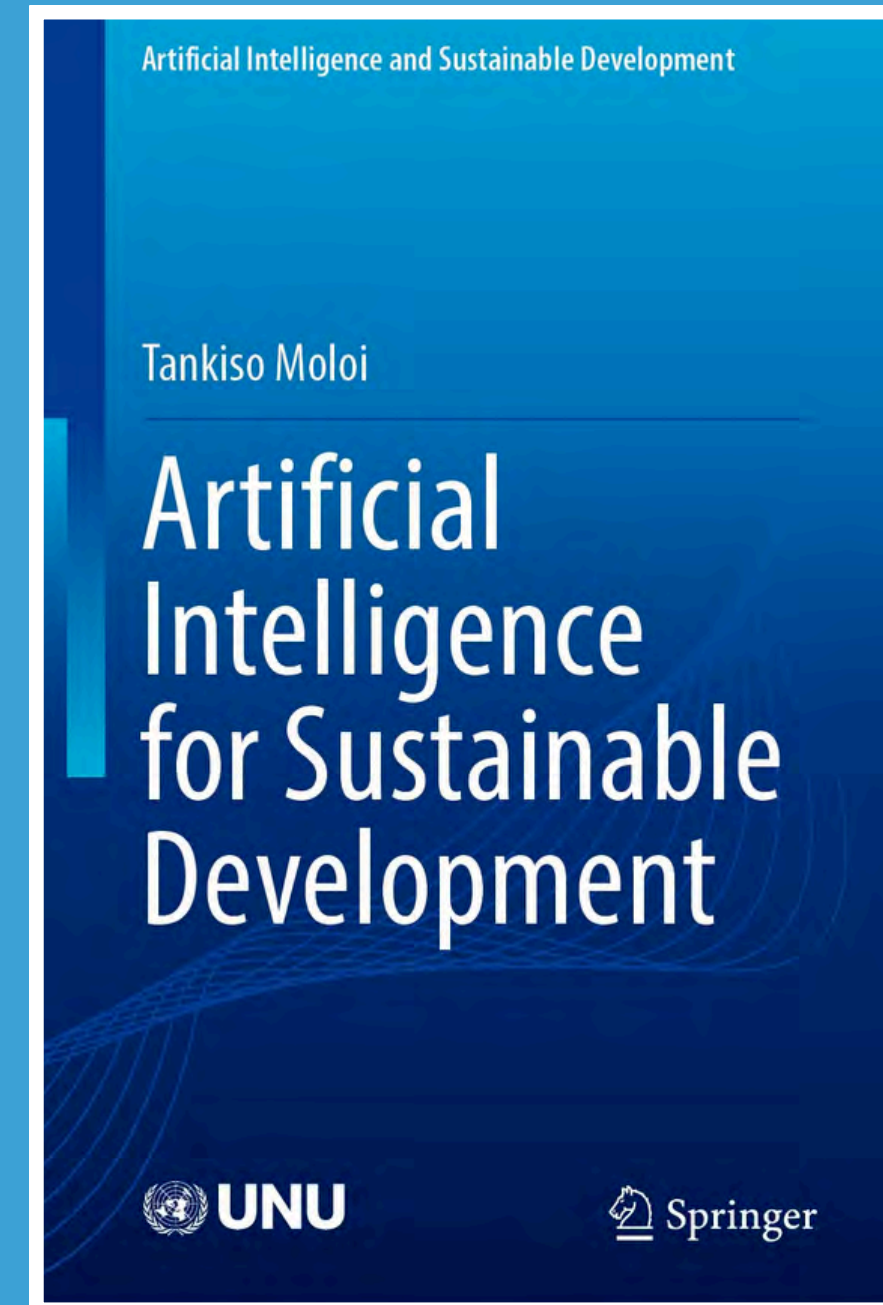
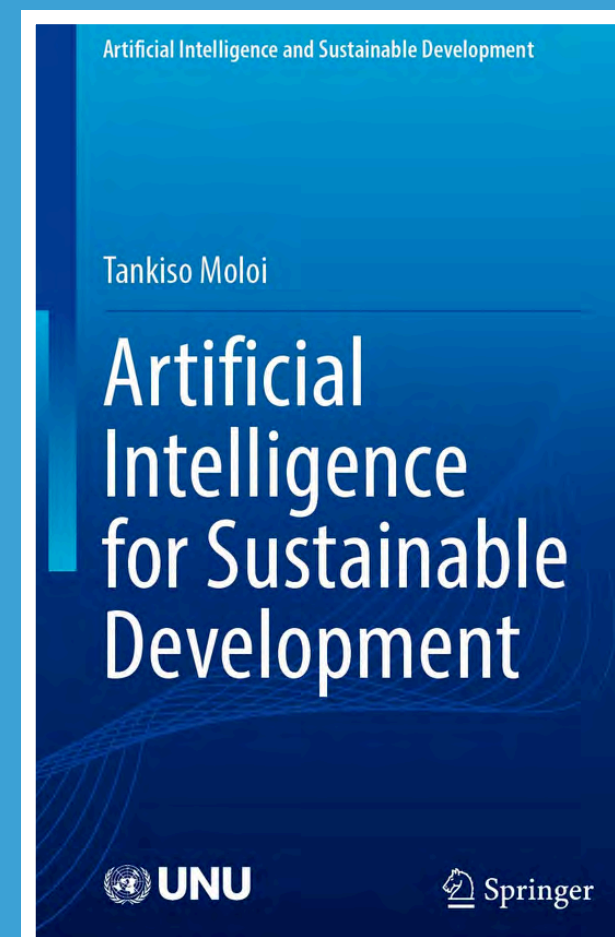
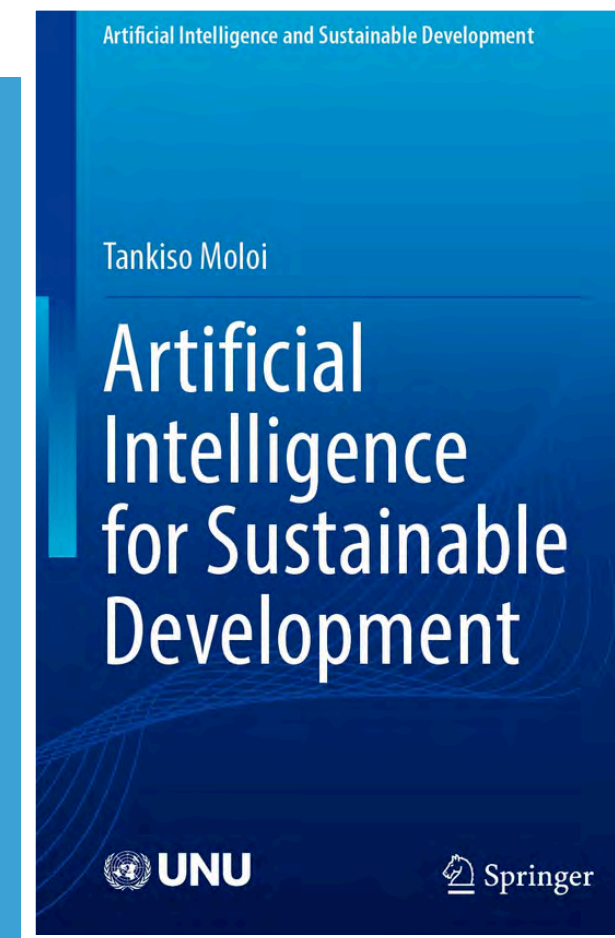


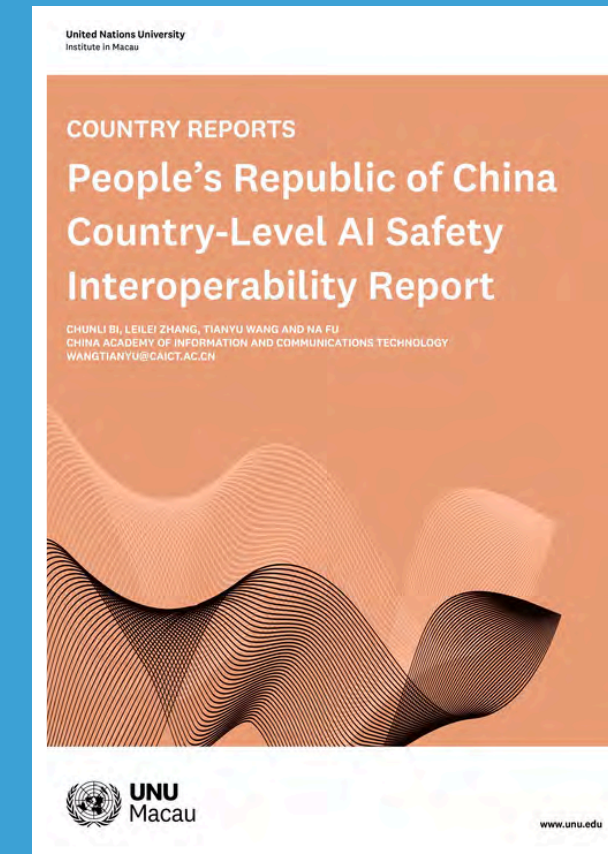
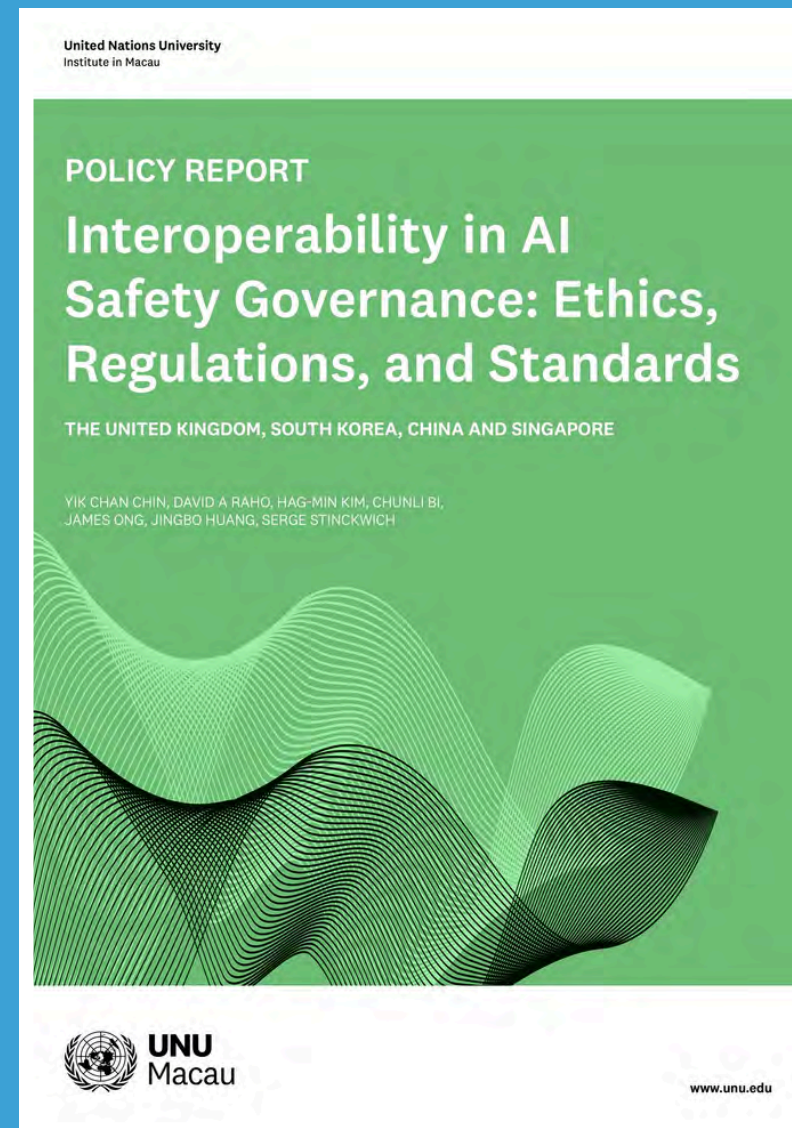
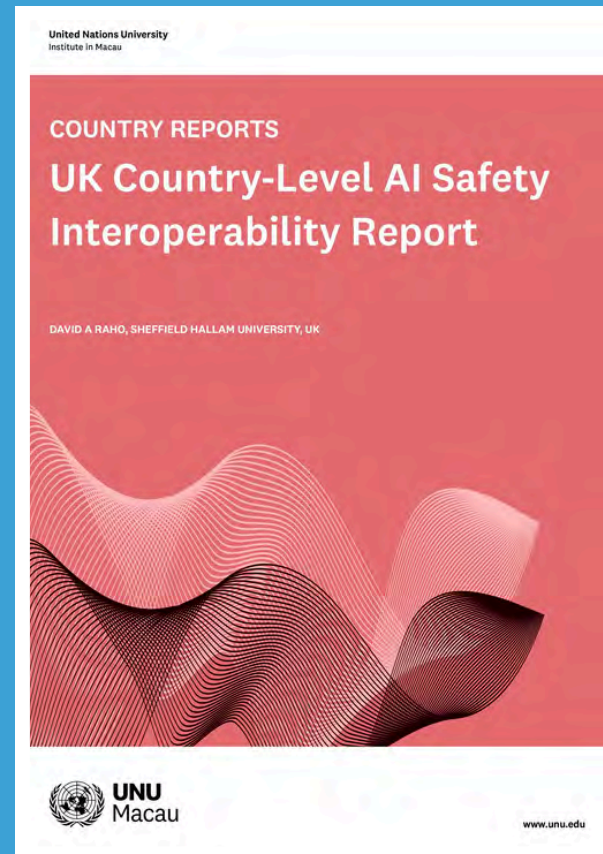
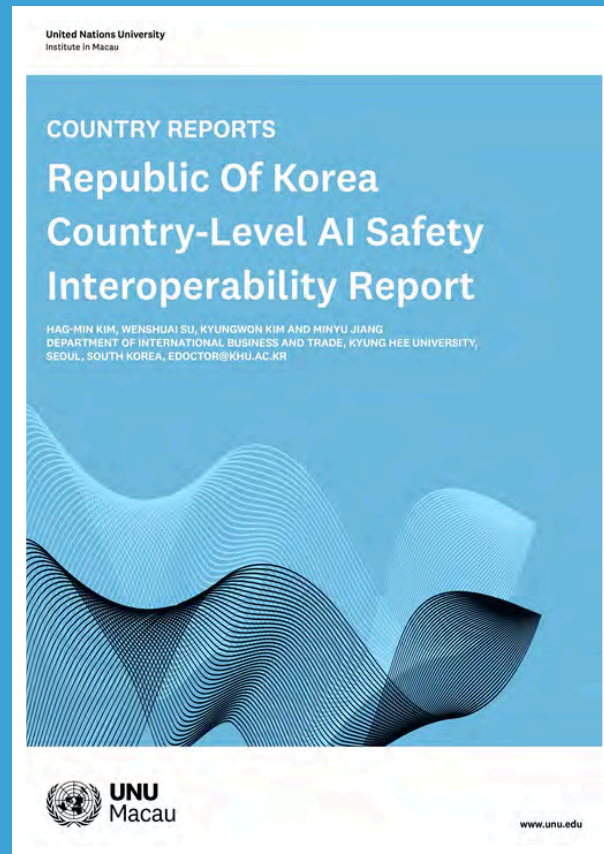
The UNU Rector AI Lecture Series serves as a platform to convene global thought leaders and spark interdisciplinary conversations around the impact of AI on people, planet, and policy.

Book Series

UNU-Springer Book Series

Network members are welcomed to
submit proposals.

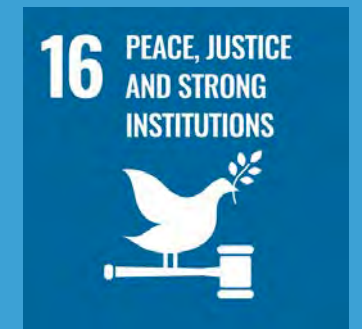


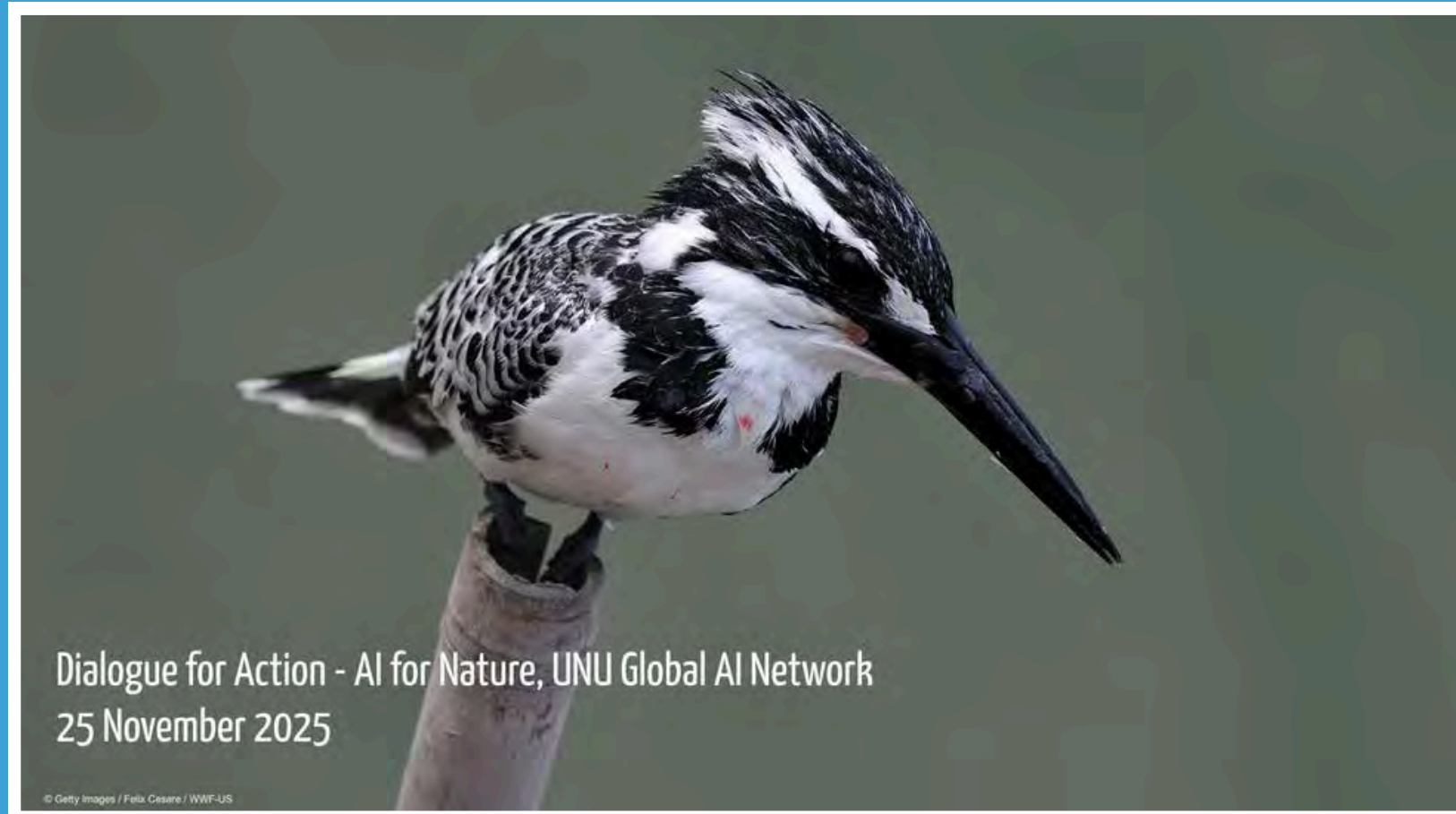


Joint Research

Interoperability in AI Safety Governance: Ethics, Regulations, and Standards

Network members are welcome to carry out interdisciplinary and interdisciplinarity joint research.





JUNE 27, 2025, 6 PM IST ONWARDS

NETWORK DIALOGUE ON AI GOVERNANCE LOCALISATION [ONLINE]

STAKEHOLDERS

Vishwam Jindal CEO, WebNyay	Ayushi Agarwal Patron Member, Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law (ISAIL.IN)
Weiyu Zhang Director, The Civic Tech Lab, National University of Singapore	Christopher ZHU Co-chair, CODATA Connect, Committee on Data of the International Science Council
Francis P. Crawley Chair, CODATA International Data Policy Committee (IDPC)	Abhivardhan President, Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law (ISAIL.IN)

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THIS NETWORK DIALOGUE IS TO BE HOSTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UNU GLOBAL AI NETWORK.

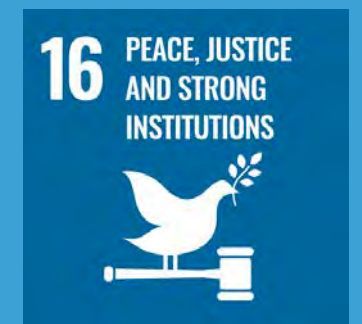
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Dialogue Series

Dialogue for Action

Network members are welcomed to submit proposals.



AI for SDGs — Global Youth AI Future Innovation Competition 2025



131 Youth Proposals

47 Countries

36 Submissions from the Global South

AI for Humanity: UNU Macau AI Conference 2025

An All-Member meeting of the Network is convened onsite alongside the UNU Macau AI Conference



150+ Speakers

30 Countries

300 Global Submission

Joint Events

Global Events and Conferences

The UNU Global AI Network will participate in numerous international conferences and events, and encouraging members to organize interdisciplinary activities.



Join Us

Networking and learning with a global community of AI experts and innovators. Access to resources tailored for network members, including training programs, knowledge base, policy briefs, etc.





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