FUTURE FORUM

2021

What is the Future Forum?

The Future Forum launched by GIZ (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH) is a new digital format that stands for capacity development, collaboration and co-creation! It combines internal capacity development for GIZ staff with exchange and inspiration with many external stakeholders.

The Future Forum 2021 focuses on the transformative impact of the digital transformation in the context of governance and peacebuilding.

From September 20 – 23, this virtual event brings together experts from all over the world working at and with GIZ as well as interested commissioning parties, technical cooperation partners, related organizations and consultancies.

What is the objective of the Future Forum 2021?

>> The Future Forum 2021 promotes learning and innovation among GIZ staff worldwide working for sector portfolios in the field of governance and conflict. The Future Forum is a driver for innovation and new methodologies and offers both an opportunity to learn as well as to present individual experiences and approaches.

>> The Future Forum 2021 contributes to the digital transformation at company level and unlocks trendsetting topics for GIZ.

>> In times of distanced working due to the current global pandemic, the Future Forum 2021 (re)connects the community and offers various platforms for exchange and networking.

Your Future Forum Journey!

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The programme will be continously updated
and shared on www.future-forum.net

PROGRAMME FUTURE FORUM: 20 – 23 SEPTEMBER 2021

MONDAY — OPEN ALL

Time	Event
9:00AM – 11:30AM	
	COUNTDOWN — CHECK IN
12:30PM	**MISSION LAUNCH** — OPENING AND GIZ EXPERIENCE AT A GLANCE
	NEW HORIZON — KEYNOTE AND PANEL
	SHOOTING STARS — INSPIRATIONAL TALKS
04:30PM	**SHOOTING STARS** — INSPIRATIONAL TALKS: MEET THE EXPERTS
04:45PM	
07:15PM	

TUESDAY — LIMITED

- **PEER SHUTTLE** — PEER GROUP (EU, AFRICA, ASIEN)
- **SATELLITE EVENTS** — SIDE EVENTS
- **PLANETS** — THEMATIC FOCUS AREAS
- **REFUEL** — BREAK
- **PLANETS** — THEMATIC FOCUS AREAS
- **PEER SHUTTLE** — PEER GROUP (EU, AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA)
- **SATELLITE EVENTS** — SIDE EVENTS

WEDNESDAY — LIMITED

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THURSDAY — OPEN ALL

- **GET INTO ORBIT** — PANEL
- **OPEN GALAXY** — VIRTUAL MARKETPLACE
- **FUTURE PERSPECTIVES** — STRATEGIC OUTLOOK: PANEL
- **ZERO GRAVITY** — GIZ CLOSING & CELEBRATION

Core Program
Open to GIZ and external guests

Monday, September 20

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12:00 - 12:30 PM	Countdown	**Check-in for your Future Forum journey!** Can you hear and see us? How to use the event app? Get a technical check-in and look behind the scenes with our moderator Natasha Walker
12:30 - 01:20 PM	Mission Launch	**Opening: Let's get ready for the digital transformation!** Annette Bähring, Director Methods, Digital Transformation & Innovation Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven, Managing Director at GIZ Kathrin Lorenz, Director Governance & Conflict
		GIZ's digital experiences at a glance Digital change has transformed the international project work with our partners, our work processes and business practices. Discover tech tools, data technologies and innovative projects in the incubation stage, ready for scaling up or already delivering impact.
01:20 - 02:00 PM	New Horizon	Keynote: Digital transformation - changing parameters for state, societies & people Julie Owono, **Executive director at the digital rights organization "Internet Without Borders"**
02:00 - 02:30 PM	Refuel	Break & networking

Monday, September 20

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02:30 - 03:45 PM	New Horizon	**Panel: New opportunities of digital transformation to promote good governance & peacebuilding** Aretha Mare, Project Manager data Governance at Smart Africa Dorothee Starck, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) Helani Galpaya, Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data and CEO LIRNEasia Nanjira Sambuli, Kenyan researcher, writer, policy analyst and executive board member of Digital Impact Alliance Tracey Marie Lane, Practice Manager at the World Bank
03:45 - 04:00 PM	Refuel	Break & networking
04:00 - 04:30 PM	Shooting Stars	**Inspirational talks ranking from e-innovation and government architecture, the gender data gap to technology for democratising information & increasing transparency** Angela Oduor Lungati, Executive Director at Ushahidi Emily Pryor, Data2x Lisa Witter, CEO at Apolitical Foundation & Co-Founder, Apolitical Marten Kaevats, National Digital Advisor in the Government Office of Estonia
04:30 - 05:30 PM		**Inspirational talks: Meet the experts** In this session in MS Teams, you will have the chance to challenge our speakers of the inspirational talks with your questions. Raise your voice and get involved!

Thursday, September 23

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10:00 – 11:30 AM	Get into Orbit	Better data for development:
		Government and data economies - unlikely allies?
		Andrew Rugege, Regional director for Africa at International Telecommunication Union
		Aubrey Mnisi, CEO of Sensorit - Automotive Innovation in South Africa
		Bertrand De La Chapelle, Executive Director of the Internet & Jurisdiction Policy Network
		Ju Young Jeon, Product manager, Orange Mobile data analytics (Flux vision) Orange Business services
		Patricia Adusei-Poku, Executive Director at the Data Protection Commission in Ghana
11:30 – 12:30 PM		Break & networking
12:30 – 01:45 PM	Open Galaxy	Virtual marketplace:
		Digital transformation in GIZ governance and peacebuilding practice
		In the virtual marketplace, GIZ projects showcase their experiences and innovations and put practical challenges on the table for discussion. The session aims at gaining practical insights, developing answers to specific problems and enabling colleagues to move forward. The challenges are clustered according to three different topics: SOLVING – LEARNING – COLLABORATING. Participating projects in the virtual marketplace give a brief introduction to their challenges, then the floor is open to you as peers **and potential collaborators. There are two rounds, and this doesn't need to be the end of the discussion…**

Thursday, September 23

02:00 – 03:00 PM	Future Perspectives	**Strategic Outlook: The future of human-centered digital transformation** > > > > > > Open to GIZ and external guests Carla Montesi, Digital4Development Hub of the European Commission Dirk Aßmann, Director General, Sectoral Department, GIZ Tania Rödiger-Vorwerk, Dep. Director General Private Sector, Trade, Employment and Digital Technologies at Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
03:00 – 04:30 PM	Zero Gravity	**GIZ Closing & Celebration** > > > > > > Open to GIZ only How was your Future Forum journey - what did you learn? How do you envision a better future and what are your recommendations to a GIZ to actively contribute to fair and sustainable digital transformation? Last but not least, **let's celebrate our team and our work! A light, cosmic and musical farewell to four days of digital co-creation and collaboration!**

Planets

4 Thematic Focus Areas

Open to pre-registered GIZ colleagues

Focus Area 1: (Digital) Power to Perform - Changing Capacities of State and Non-State Actors

Tuesday, September 21

12:30 - 02:00 PM	(Digital) Governance: from bad to good to better?
	Guests will share their experience in digitalizing public administration, focusing on the challenges, preconditions and success factors for successful digitalization and the way new technological trends change the structures, processes and approaches inside public institutions
03:00 - 04:30 PM	Digitalization for integrity – opportunities and challenges for the fight against corruption
	The session explores how the digital transformation can be harnessed to fight corruption and strengthen integrity at the level of governments, civil society, private sector and individuals.

Wednesday, September 22

12:30 - 02:00 PM	Human centric digital public infrastructure – advancing global digital cooperation to strengthen capacities for digital transformation of government services
	The session will focus on how global digital cooperation and joint efforts to advance the development, management and implementation of digital public goods can create a more equitable world and contribute to achieving the SDGs.
03:00 - 04:30 PM	Digital capacities – quo digitalis GIZ?
	The session is a synthesis of the previous parts of this focus area. Here, colleagues reflect on the capacities and competencies GIZ has and needs to strengthen state and non-**state actors' capacities for** digital transformation and discuss critically how far digitalization supports the objectives of international development cooperation.

Focus Area 2: Social Cohesion and Peacebuilding in the Digital Era

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Tuesday, September 21

12:30 - 02:00 PM	**Warning! You are entering unknown digital territories –** new tech as a context factor How does digitalization change the fragile and conflict-affected contexts/ecosystems in which we work? And what do you need to know in order to properly analyze the role that digitalization plays in a partner **country's social cohesion and peace?**
03:00 - 04:30 PM	**Let's uncover: Decoding technology for fostering social cohesion and peace** How does digital technology shape our behavior? And how can we tap into the positive potential for change in order to make it part of our strategies to transform conflict, build peace and cohesive societies?

Wednesday, September 22

12:30 - 02:00 PM	Access denied!? Digital dimensions of agency in peacebuilding Is digitalization the missing piece to make conflict transformation and peacebuilding processes more inclusive? And how can digital technologies offer a possibility for normal citizens to become **"designers/creators" of these processes, rather than beneficiaries?**
03:00 - 04:30 PM	Future-gazing: Plug in! Tech-visions for peace and social cohesion Is the future of peacebuilding and fostering social cohesion digital? What technologies are in the pipeline that could make a major change in reducing violent conflict? And how can we as GIZ experts develop our own capacities in order to advise our partners?

Focus Area 3: Mind the Gap: Inclusive Digital Democracy and Deliberation

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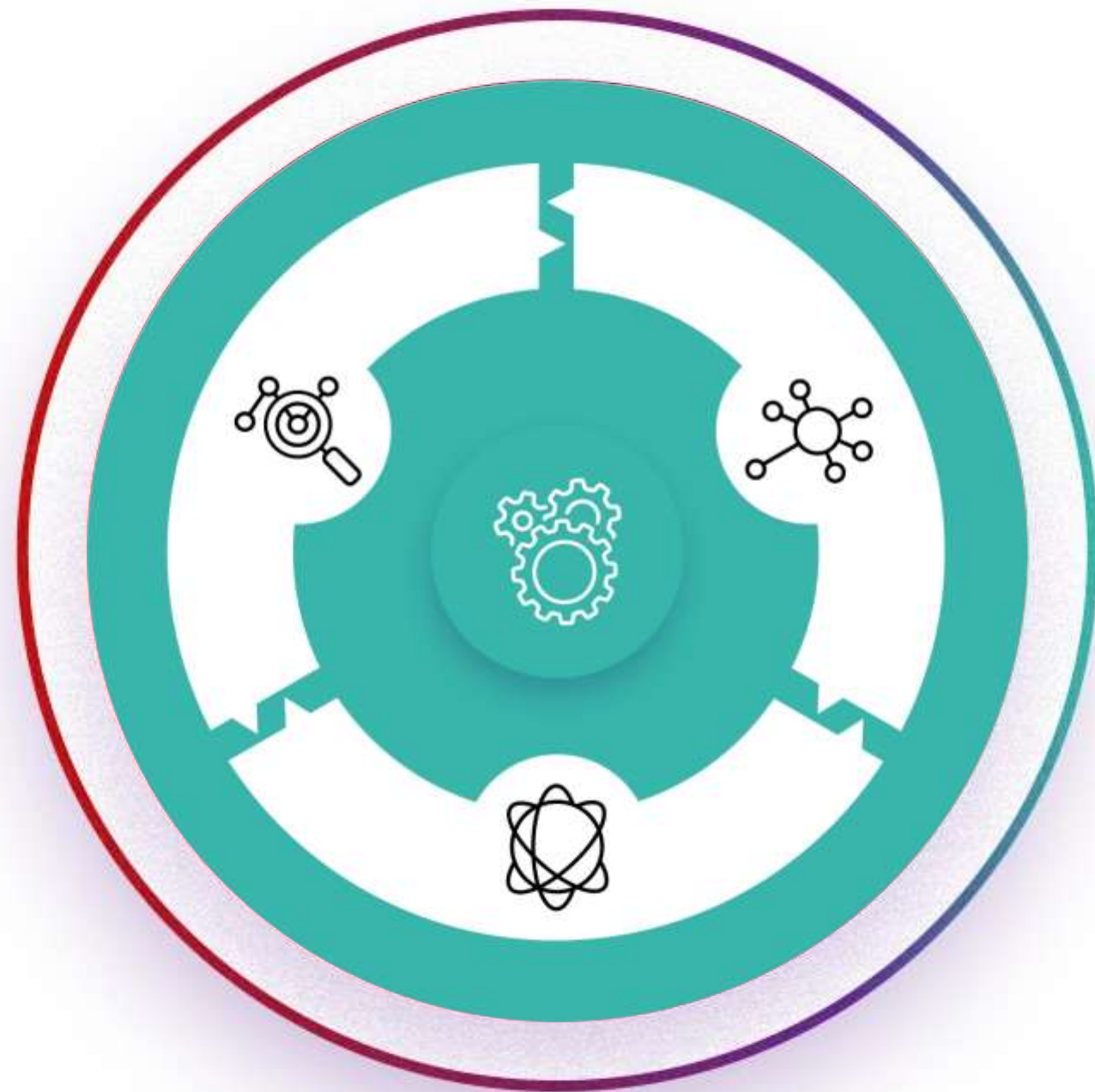
Tuesday, September 21

12:30 - 01:15 PM	**Inclusive digital democracy - the starting point** Setting the frame of Inclusive Digital Democracy by unpacking assumptions and inviting participants to question and challenge their own opinions and beliefs.
01:15 – 02:15 PM	**'Beyond Algorithms and Polarization - Some Lessons on Public Opinion Forming in the Digital Age'** Dialogue on how narratives are shaped through digital exchange mechanisms. What are the patterns, actors, risks and implications? And how to provide new grounds for informed and inclusive democratic debates beyond polarization?
03:00 - 04:30 PM	**Increasing meaningful public participation in the digital age** Meaningful public participation in practice - potentials, successes, failures and incentives to enable public participation

Wednesday, September 22

12:30 - 02:00 PM	**No smartphone, no voice? How to not leave people behind** Moving from WHY to the question of HOW to not leave people behind; highlighting different dimensions of digital inclusion using practical examples; emphasizing relevance of human-centered design (HCD) to implement LNOB	*GIZ Diversity Week: This event is open to all GIZ colleagues.*
03:00 - 04:00 PM	**The power(lessness) of digital accountability** Presentation of case studies giving insight into examples of accountability platforms from different regions, and the necessary conditions for accountability tech to succeed	
04:00 – 04:30 PM	**You have reached your destination!** Presentation of recommendations on consolidating GIZ work with digital inclusion	

Focus Area 4: Data for Development

Tuesday, September 21

12:30 - 02:00 PM	**Data and the city - data policy cycles in cities** Methods of spatial observation and of collecting local data by citizens are becoming cheaper and more precise. In theory, the collected and processed data supports the coordination between sectoral departments of the city administration and negotiation processes with the construction industry and citizens. How does this work practically on the ground? What technologies are used?
03:00 - 04:30 PM	**Gender data gaps - how to make women visible** As COVID has once again shown, data plays a key role in shedding light on the experiences of women and girls, for advocacy and policy-making purposes. Yet, gender data gaps occur on many levels; e. g. data is rarely disaggregated by sex or ignores topics that primarily affect women (e. g. Gender Based Violence). On the other hand, in some contexts, collecting data may harm women, while reliance on digital data and technology may actually increase gender gaps.

Wednesday, September 22

12:30 - 02:00 PM	**Towards data driven public services** The focus of the session will be on two leading questions: (1) What should a public data architecture look like to enable a date-driven public administration? (2) Which tools and capacities enable public administrations to implement data-driven decision-making processes?
03:00 - 04:30 PM	**Data in fragile contexts - experimenting with new approaches to support data-based decision making** While appreciating the challenges of producing and using data in fragile and conflict affected contexts, this session will highlight and discuss approaches for collecting data in these difficult environments and showcase how the results are used to make evidence-based decisions. Key questions are: how can we collect reliable data in fragile and conflict affected contexts? How can data be used for evidence-based decisions in fragile and conflict affected contexts?

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Satellite Events
Open to all GIZ colleagues

Side Events

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Tuesday, 10:00 – 10:45 AM

Digital, diverse and transformative - driving locally-led change through global labs
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Innovation, Learning, Knowledge

Data protection in project implementation
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Digital Societies

Cooperation with the private sector
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Change Management

IT project management toolkit - example tax software Zambia
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Digital Societies

Using SDG related data for development
Organized by: SENECA.gov - Good Governance in South-East Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia

Kickstart innovation (overview + creative confidence session)
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Innovation, Learning, Knowledge

Side Events

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Tuesday, 10:45 – 11:30 AM

Capacity development and our modes of delivery under changing conditions
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Change Management

Monitoring sustainable city development with open data
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Digital Societies

Using the E-Learning Standards & Operational Toolkit and the atingi platform
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Digital Societies

Innovating public service delivery through start-up collaboration
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Digital Societies

Project and cooperation management / management pathfinder
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Change Management

GIZ intrapreneurs on the move - team **PartiCipate's** journey
Organized by: Division Governance & Conflict - Democracy, Policy Dialogue, Urban Development

Side Events

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Tuesday, 05:45 – 07:15 PM

Access to justice and the innovative power of digitalization
Organized by: Division Governance & Conflict - Rule of Law, Gender, Security

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How to Monitor Dialogue: Guide and Digital Toolbox
Organized by: Sector Network International Cooperation in Conflicts and Disasters

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GIZ techDetector - The future starts now!
Organized by: Division Climate Change, Rural Development, Infrastructure & Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Innovation, Learning, Knowledge (4E30) & Division Climate Change, Environment, Infrastructure

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From theory to practice - practitioners' session on knowledge continuity
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Innovation, Learning, Knowledge

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Advisors in the Cloud, Partners on the Ground
Organized by: Sector Network Good Governance Africa (GGA)

Side Events

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Wednesday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM

Doughnut and the city
Organized by: TUrboCliC and Sector Network Good Governance in Asia (SNGA)

Conflict-sensitive monitoring in fragile contexts
Organized by: Sector Network Good Governance in the MENA region (GOMENA) & Sector Network International Cooperation in Conflicts and Disasters (NICD)

Inclusive digital governance in MENA
Organized by: Sector Network Good Governance in the MENA region (GOMENA)

Civil Society and Corruption. Innovative approaches in the field of Anti-Corruption, Transparency and sociopolitical accountability
Organized by: Sector Network Good Governance Africa (GGA)

Understanding online violence and how we can integrate digital approaches into violence prevention
Organized by: Sector Network International Cooperation in Conflicts and Disasters (NICD)

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Wednesday, 05:45 – 07:15 PM

Bi + Tri + Multi: New ways for international development cooperation
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Innovation, Learning, Knowledge

Using earth observation data for Agenda 2030 and existing dashboards for easy access to geodata analysis
Organized by: Division Methods, Digital Transformation, Innovation - Digital Societies

Do you speak digital? For a better understanding in a digital age
Organized by: Sector Networks Governance and Democracy in Latin America (REDLAC); Transport, Environment, Energy, and Water in Asia (TUEWAS); Rural Development (SNRD)

How to Kick-Start Innovation: The Case of Digital Governance Camps
Organized by: Sector Networks Good Governance in South-East Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia (SENECA.gov) & Good Governance Africa (GGA)

The role of (digital) anti-corruption tools in sustainable urban development
Organized by: Sector Programme Anti Corruption & Sector Programme Cities

How can you access the Future Forum?

The Future Forum will be accessible through a tailor-made event-app. You can use this app through your internet browser as well as on your mobile phone. We will send the login details to registered participants in the beginning of **September. We'll also be using the** Wisembly tool and MS Teams at different times to facilitate broad participation.

For registration, please visit our website:
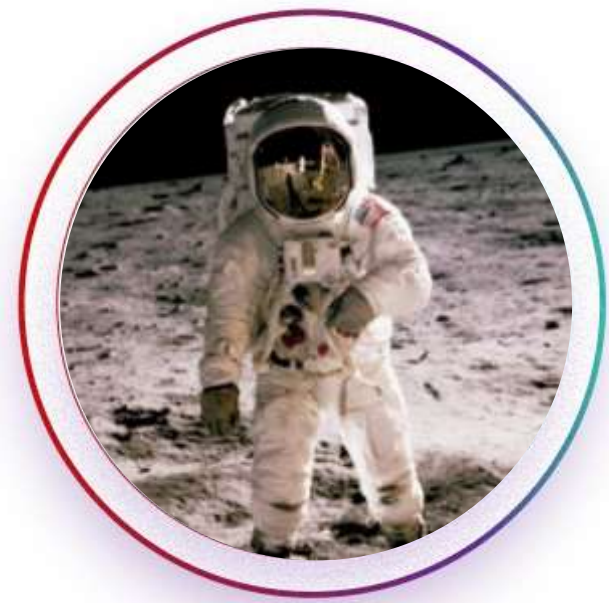www.future-forum.net

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