



Commoning THE INTERNET FOR A VIBRANT DEMOCRACY

Digital Citizen Summit
Where Technology Meets Social Innovation

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Welcome to the

5th Digital Citizen Summit 2023!

The Digital Empowerment Foundation (DEF) and the Centre for Development Policy & Practice (CDPP) are delighted to extend a warm and cordial invitation to you for an event like no other. Join us in exploring the intersection of technology, citizenship, and social innovation.

 **November 2-4, 2023**

 **T-Hub, Hyderabad, India**

About the Summit

The Digital Citizen Summit is a global multistakeholder platform meticulously curated by a synergy of technology and social innovation experts. It brings together a diverse and dynamic gathering of scholars, academics, practitioners, civil society organizations, and government representatives who share a profound interest in technology, digital citizenship, and social innovation.

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Theme

The 2023 Digital Citizen Summit focuses on building a vibrant and inclusive democracy through shared internet resources. As our world becomes increasingly digitized, we are all digital citizens, and this has brought new challenges and opportunities. Join us in exploring how we can collectively shape a more inclusive and just society.

Day 1

Academic presentations on Digital Technologies and their Impact on the Society and Governance

Inaugural Plenary Session and Closing Endnote

Featuring distinguished scholars and experts

Key Highlights

Exhibitions

Showcasing digital innovations, publications, and digital development spanning all three days

Day 2 & 3

Panels, Presentations, Workshops, and Discussions on critical topics

Govt. of Telangana Expo

Showcasing of startups & technology innovations in India

The Digital Citizen Summit 2023 offers

Valuable insights into digitalisation challenges

Opportunities to connect with leading experts

Collaborative solutions for global predicaments

An exploration of the digital era's societal influence



The Digital Citizenship Summit is a platform that delves into a wide array of issues, transcending geographical boundaries. It serves as a testament to the borderless flow of information and technology in the 21st century. In this international gathering, we will address crucial subjects such as, access and infrastructure, shedding light on topics like **last-mile connectivity, innovations, and policies in India**. Additionally, we'll explore the internet infrastructure in Nepal, examine the impact of **technology on social inclusion and financial inclusion facilitated by DPI**. We'll also discuss how technology can pave the way for **sustainable livelihoods**, contemplate the future of development, and scrutinize the real-world implications of Aadhaar-based services.

Furthermore, we will scrutinize the new concerns emerging for end users and the broader community. This includes recent instances of electronic device seizures, exploring alternatives to **Internet shutdowns and their repercussions, misinformation** and the **changing landscape of digital journalism**, the ramifications of the **Digital Personal Data Protection Act**, and the endeavor **to establish ethical data processing systems**. We'll delve into the digitization of crime and the far-reaching consequences of data collection.

Moving forward, our focus extends to **gender-transformative policies**, the use of open software for public goods, the evolving **landscape of digital justice**, and the reimagining of legal systems in the age of technology. **Cybersecurity threats** will be a critical part of our discussion, alongside the growing issues surrounding the platform economy, including the **challenges faced by gig workers and MGNREGA workers**. We'll explore how women can actively contribute as digital transformation agents, envision **gender-equal participation**, and work towards creating safe online spaces that cater to all genders.



We cordially invite you to participate in the 5th Digital Citizen Summit 2023. Your presence and participation would add immense value to the summit, contributing to the vibrant exchange of ideas, insights, and solutions.

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citizenship, and social innovation.*



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