2024 STI Side Event Summary and Program



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Artificial Intelligence Literacy
in Health & Education Sectors

Artificial Intelligence: A Friend or A Foe 09 May 2024; Time: 1:15 to 2:45 pm

Artificial Intelligence (AI) literacy for the policy-makers at all levels, in all countries

in order to empower people, and reduce the digital divides and digital access inequalities, is essential. Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC) sponsored this Side Event to promote multistakeholder, multidisciplinary and pluralistic dialogue and consensus building about ethical issues relating to AI systems. We hope, our efforts contribute to promote equitable access to developments and knowledge in the field of AI and the sharing of benefits, with particular attention to the needs and contributions of low- and middle-income countries, including the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) identified by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The trustworthiness and integrity of the life cycle of AI system is essential to ensure that AI technologies will work for good of humanity, individuals, societies and the environment and ecosystems, and embody the values and principles set out in this discussion. Underlining that the strengthening of global cooperation and solidarity, including through multilateralism, is needed to facilitate fair access to AI technologies and address the challenges that they bring to diversity and interconnectivity of cultures and ethical systems, to mitigate potential misuse, to realize the full potential that AI can bring – especially in Health & Education Sectors. **The future of education and health sectors is digital.**

All United Nations Member States should work with international organizations (IGOs), non-governmental organizations (NGOs), education and health sectors and institutions to provide AI literacy and education – such as basic literacy, numeracy, coding and digital skills, media and information literacy, as well as critical and creative thinking, teamwork, communication, socio-emotional and AI ethics skills. In the countries and in regions or areas within countries, where there are notable gaps in the education of these skills, this is a priority. Because the complexity of the ethical issues surrounding AI literacy necessitates the cooperation of multiple stakeholders across various levels and sectors of international, regional and national communities.

Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC) aims to enable stakeholders to take shared responsibility based on a global and intercultural dialogue. Our aim is to ensure that national AI strategies are guided by ethical principles. We hope to provide a universal framework of values, principles and action to guide UN Member States in the formulation of their legislation, policies, and other instruments regarding AI-consistent with international law. YouTube Program Video: https://youtu.be/TpV2ybfwXLg

