



## PRESS EVENT

### **Digital policy in global governance: Issues and challenges discussed in Geneva**

22 September 2017, 13-14h CEST  
WMO building, Avenue De la Paix 7bis, 1202 Geneva

How will the proposed Digital Geneva Convention be shaped? What is in store for the UN Group of Governmental Experts on developments in ICT in international security? What outcomes can we expect from the WTO Public Forum, the Internet Governance Forum, and other events, in the next quarter?

Over 50% of global digital policy discussions take place in International Geneva. The impact of such decisions goes beyond Europe as decisions often affect users globally. Q4 of 2017 will be a busy period for digital policy. Key events and discussions will take place in Geneva until the end of the year, with important outcomes that will affect global digital policy. Which events and discussions should the Press watch out for, and what will the main topics be? Which important developments in digital policy are expected?

**DiploFoundation and the Geneva Internet Platform invite Press representatives for a background information event on Friday, 22nd September, at 13:00, at the WMO Building (2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Salle de Mello) in Geneva.**

DiploFoundation Director and GIP Head Dr Jovan Kurbalija will highlight the main issues to follow in the next quarter, such as the debates related to the future of the Digital Geneva Convention; the role of the Internet industry in the development of cybernorms; the future of the UN GGE; the interplay between encryption, privacy, and security; ethical, legal, and security aspects surrounding emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence and Internet of Things; and more. He will also explain how the main issues discussed in Geneva will affect global governance.

Important events in Geneva will include:

- WTO Public Forum (26-28 September)
- ITU Council Working Group meetings (throughout September)
- Geneva Talks on the proposed Digital Geneva Convention (October-December)
- Internet Governance Forum (18-21 December)

Please [register to attend](#) or [RSVP by e-mail](#). A UN-badge will not be required. For questions, contact Stephanie Borg Psaila on [stephaniep@diplomacy.edu](mailto:stephaniep@diplomacy.edu) or +41 22 907 36 30.

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