

11th GLOBAL CHINA DIALOGUE

Global AI and Data Governance

第十一届全球中国对话

全球AI与数据治理

Programme 手册

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Call for Papers

Following ten successful Global China Dialogue (GCD) Forums, the 11th GCD – Global AI and Data Governance – will be held at the British Academy on Friday, 4 December 2026. GCD11 will focus on how to advance safe, trustworthy, and sustainable governance of artificial intelligence and data through institutional design, international coordination, and ethical frameworks.

As a transformative force reshaping economic structures, social governance, and knowledge production, artificial intelligence and data are increasingly central to global development. At the same time, they raise critical challenges related to privacy protection, algorithmic bias, data sovereignty, and technological competition. In response, governance efforts are evolving rapidly, with growing emphasis on cross-border collaboration, multi-stakeholder engagement, and the development of shared principles and regulatory approaches.

This Dialogue will provide a platform for diverse conversations, bringing together policymakers, scholars, technology leaders, business representatives, and international organizations to explore emerging frameworks, governance models, and practical pathways for global AI and data governance.

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- Global China Academy, UK
- University College London, UK
- Lau China Institute, King's College London, UK



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GCD11 consists of four thematic panels:

- **Panel 1 AI Governance and Advanced Technology Regulation**

This panel explores regulatory approaches to emerging AI systems, including foundation models and high-risk applications. It will examine how governance frameworks, standards, and institutional mechanisms can ensure accountability, safety, and effective oversight in the development and deployment of advanced technologies.

- **Panel 2 Data Governance, Digital Sovereignty, and Power Structures**

This panel focuses on how data and digital content are generated, accessed, managed, preserved, and governed across different jurisdictions and sectors. It will address key issues of data and digital content are generated, accessed, managed, preserved, and governed, addressing issues of ownership, access and licensing, sovereignty, long-term access to digital scholarly resources, and the evolving distribution of power in the global digital landscape.

- **Panel 3 Global Rule-making and Technological Competition**

This panel focuses on international norms, regulatory coordination, and standard-setting, including interoperability, digital content management, and knowledge infrastructures, as well as the interplay between geopolitical competition and cooperation in shaping global technology governance.

- **Panel 4 AI Ethics, Societal Impact, and Sustainable Development**

This panel addresses the ethical principles, real-world applications, and the broader social, economic, and environmental impacts of AI, including trustworthy knowledge and sustainable digital preservation, in advancing inclusive, equitable and sustainable development.

Submissions and Collaboration

Through diverse perspectives and cross-sector dialogue, the 11th Global China Dialogue aims to contribute Chinese insights and international experience to global AI and data governance, fostering a more secure, trustworthy, open, and sustainable digital governance landscape.

We invite submissions from diverse disciplines, sectors, and regions, focusing on technology- and data-driven social transformation, to examine key issues, challenges, and opportunities in global AI and data governance. Click “[Submit](#)” to upload your proposed presentation title, abstract, and biographical note.

We also welcome institutional participation in this Dialogue in line with our *Guidelines for Partner Institutions*, including roles as co-organisers, collaborating partners, supporting organisations, or sponsors.

Important Dates for GCD XI:

- 30th September 2026 - Deadline for submitting abstracts for proposed topics.
- 15th October 2026 - Online registration opens.
- 8th November 2026 - Deadline for speakers to submit their notes and PowerPoint presentations.
- 20th November 2026 - Final deadline for registration.
- 27th November 2026 - Programme available for download in English, Chinese, and dual-language formats.
- 4th December 2026 - Date of the 11th Global China Dialogue.

The proceedings of GCD XI will be published in 2027, featuring transcribed records, bilingual translation, and editing.

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