



# The Global Innovation Index 2025

## Innovation at a Crossroads – Charting the Future

**Global launch: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 (1.30 – 3.30 p.m. CEST)**  
**WIPO Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland**

The Global Innovation Index (GII) 2025 takes the pulse of innovation against a background of global realignments, sluggish economic growth of the leading multinationals, but also technological breakthroughs, and evolving regulatory landscapes which shape how ideas emerge, spread, and scale globally.

The GII 2025 on the title of “*Innovation at a Crossroads: Charting the Future*” offers a unique lens to examine how these forces are influencing global innovation, investment flows, research collaboration, and the diffusion of breakthrough technologies.

This year’s GII ranks the innovation performance of close to 140 economies, showcasing their innovation strengths and weaknesses.

Since 2007, the GII has been both an invaluable reference tool for countries to benchmark innovation performance and improve innovation policy and its impact. The UN General Assembly recognizes the *GII* as an authoritative benchmarking tool for measuring innovation in the context of the Science, Technology, and Innovation policies for Sustainable Development.

The GII is published by WIPO in partnership with the Portulans Institute.

More information on the GII is available at  
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### **High-level Opening (1.30 – 3.30 p.m.)**

Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

2-3 Heads of State or Heads of Governments (tbc)

### **Presentation of the 2025 GII results (1.50 – 2.15 p.m.)**

Chair: Mr. Marco M. Alemán, Assistant Director General, IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector, WIPO

Launch video and presentation, WIPO Secretariat

### **Panel: “Innovation at a Crossroads: Charting the Future”**

- How can innovation maintain its momentum amid today’s economic headwinds—slowing R&D growth, fragile VC markets, and uneven recovery—while also harnessing the growing capacity across the globe to sustain long-term innovation efforts?
- How can the current wave of investment spark more inclusive transformation across more sectors and geographies?
- Which new centres of innovation are emerging?
- How can breakthrough technologies—AI, green energy, digital biology, and others—be scaled to deliver broad-based economic growth and societal impact?
- What changes are needed in the way firms, governments, and research institutions organize for innovation in a world where uptake lags behind invention?

Chair: Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, WIPO

Ms. Janet Henry, Global Chief Economist, HSBC, United Kingdom

Mr. Sun Mingyan, Vice President and Chief Intellectual Property Officer, Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Limited (CATL), China

Ms. Gift A. Kadzamira, Director General, National Commission for Science and Technology, Malawi

Mr. Soumitra Dutta, GII Co-Editor and Dean, Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Mr. John Cheek, Vice President, Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO) and Vice-President, Intellectual Property and Legal Operations, Tenneco, Inc., United States of America

### **Adjournment**