



Giga Breakfast meeting

Concept note

Date 29 May 7:45 – 8:45 am
Location 15th floor Tower building, ITU HQ
Host ITU Secretary-General
Participants Giga invitees, ITU and UNICEF staff (expected number: 30-35)

Background

Launched in 2019 by UNICEF and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Giga aims to connect every school in the world to the Internet by 2030.

Connecting schools allows children to develop digital skills and access online learning content. Schools can also become anchor points for surrounding communities: if you can connect the school, you can also connect local businesses and services. This creates opportunities for service providers to generate revenue from paying users, making connectivity more sustainable.

Giga is the only named initiative for connectivity in the UN Secretary-General's [Digital Cooperation Roadmap](#) and his [Common Agenda](#).

On the occasion of the World Summit on the Information Society and AI for Good the Secretary-General is hosting a private high-level breakfast and a discussion on Giga. This gathering presents an opportunity for participants to come together, exchange insights on the progress made, and explore the potential opportunities that lie ahead.

Objectives

- **Exchange** insights on the progress made by Giga
- **Explore** the potential opportunities for collaboration
- **Network** with other participants

Participants

Ministers and representatives of the Ministries of Information and Communication Technologies, of the Communications Regulatory Authorities from the countries engaged with Giga and Ambassadors of the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva.