

## About the Action Coalition

As the use of digital platforms and services expands across the globe, so too does the need to better understand how they operate. Governments are mandating transparency requirements, including obligations of risk assessment, researcher access, regular audit, transparent processes, clear terms of service, and comprehensibility requirements. These new frameworks could have significant benefits, but they may also have unintended consequences.

The Action Coalition is a broad based network of academics, civil society organizations, companies, governments, and international organizations. We are working together to make transparency meaningful and protect human rights.

Now is the best time to try to make an impact on regulatory design, implementation, and ongoing development. No single actor or stakeholder group can solve the challenges of the digital age alone.

## Objectives

- Clarify relevant definitions and terminology.
- Map existing and identify missing efforts.
- Share lessons learned.
- Identify opportunities for alignment and coordination.
- Encourage and support participation of majority world actors in these efforts.
- Produce recommendations for companies, donors, researchers, and governments.

## Key members

Our civil society steering group includes:

- GNI - The Global Network Initiative (Global)
- CDT - The Center for Democracy and Technology (US & EU)
- CTS at FGV - The Center for Technology and Society, FGV University Rio (Brazil)
- CIGI - The Centre for International Governance Innovation (Canada)
- CCG, NLU Delhi - The Centre for Communications Governance (India)
- DFR Lab - The Digital Forensic Research Lab (US)
- ISD - The Institute for Strategic Dialogue (UK & global)
- Internet Lab (Brazil)

- PCIO - The Partnership for Countering Influence Operations (Carnegie Endowment for International Peace) (US)
- RICT Africa - Research ICT Africa (South Africa)

Our advisory group includes individuals with experience from:

- Companies (Google, NaverZ, TikTok, Meta)
- Governments and regulators (Ofcom (UK), Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (NZ))
- International organizations (UNESCO, OECD, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights)

Membership is growing. We hope you can join us.

## Key workstreams

### Coordination and amplification

- Developing an online portal mapping transparency initiatives, events, and outputs (products and reports)
- Operating a shared Google calendar of transparency events
- Google groups for updates and communications.

### Producing resources and recommendations

- Preparing discussion documents and written outputs for companies, investors, donors, researchers, legislators, and governments.
- Identifying barriers to transparency and how to mitigate them
- Clarifying definitions and terminology

### Events

- We are hosting discussions publicly and privately
- Online webinars and in-person events around existing conferences and meetings
- Deliberate focus on supporting and encouraging majority world and global south participation

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