Dear Colleagues and Friends,

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all signatory organizations for your congratulatory words upon my appointment as the Secretary-General’s Envoy on Technology. I thank you for your long-standing active engagement in the UN’s efforts to promote digital cooperation and for your commitment to continue working closely with my Office.

A multistakeholder approach to digital cooperation is absolutely essential and within this, civil society engagement is particularly important. This will continue to be a priority for my Office.

It is in this spirit that my Office launched the public platform for all stakeholders to provide inputs on the Global Digital Compact and I look forward to your contributions. I also hope to work with you in ensuring multistakeholder engagement around the Compact process, leveraging on important opportunities such as the Internet Governance Forum, existing civil society networks and ongoing initiatives. Diversity of perspectives and opinions, particularly voices from developing countries and the Global South, as well as engaging with non-traditional actors and local communities, is also critical.

I look forward to the planned meeting with civil society colleagues in September, where I will lay out my further reflections on the work of my Office, and look forward to engaging with all of you.

With my best wishes,

Amandeep Singh Gill
Secretary-General’s Envoy on Technology

See recipient list in annex
Recipients:

1. <A+> Alliance for Inclusive Algorithms
2. Access Now
3. Access Partnership
4. Accur8Africa
5. Advocacy Initiative for Development (AID)
6. Afghanistan Democracy and Development Organization (ADDO)
7. Africa Foundation for Community Development (AFCOD-Uganda)
8. Africa Freedom of Information Centre
9. African Centre for Citizens Orientation
10. African Declaration on Internet Rights and Freedoms Coalition
11. African Freedom of Expression Exchange (AFEX)
12. Africa Open Data and Internet Research Foundation (AODIRF)
13. AFRIX
14. AfroLeadership
15. Afrotribune
16. Alliance for Affordable Internet - A4AI
17. Article 19
18. Asociación Colombiana de Usuarios de Internet
19. Asociación TEDIC
20. Association for Progressive Communications - APC
21. Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communication
22. Bareedo Platform, Somalia
23. Bloggers of Zambia
24. CCAOI, India
25. Center for Youth Empowerment and Leadership (CYEL)
26. Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
27. Centre for Information Technology and Development (CITAD)
28. Centre for Multilateral Affairs (CiMA)
29. Collaboration on International ICT Policy in East and Southern Africa - CIPESA
30. Community Development Initiative (CDI), Kano, Nigeria
31. CyberPeace Institute
32. Data2X
33. Datalat, Quito (Ecuador)
34. Derechos Digitales
35. Digital Agenda for Tanzania Initiative (DA4TI)
36. Digital Peace Now
37. Digital Rights and Inclusion Forum (DRIF)
38. Digital Rights Foundation (DRF)
39. DigitalSENSE Africa
40. Environmental Development Initiative
41. European Center for Not-for-profit Law Stichting
42. Forum on Internet Freedom in Africa (FIFAfrica)
43. Free Expression Myanmar (FEM)
44. Front Page International (FPI)
45. Global Forum for Media Development (GFMD)
46. Global Partners Digital
47. Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data
48. HOUSE OF AFRICA, Ndjamen, Chad
49. iamtheCODE
50. ICT Association of Malawi
51. Impact4News, UK
52. Instituto Nupef
53. Internet Governance Caucus
54. Internet Society - ISOC
55. Inventario Nacional de Calidad del Agua, INCA.
56. Jade Propuestas Sociales y Alternativas al Desarrollo, A.C. (JADE SOCIALES),
Yucatán, México
57. Jokkolabs Banjul
58. Keeping It Real (KIR) Foundation
59. Kinango Coalition for Human Rights Defenders
60. League for Societal Protection Against Drug Abuse (LESPADA)
61. Media Foundation for West Africa (MFWA)
62. Media Institute of Southern Africa-Zimbabwe Chapter
63. Media Matters for Democracy (MMD)
64. Media Rights Agenda (MRA)
65. Missions Publiques
66. OISTE
67. Open Data Watch
68. Organization of the Justice Campaign
69. Ovillage, Côte d’Ivoire
70. PACKS Africa
71. Paradigm Initiative
72. Policy Alert - Nigeria
73. Population and Development Initiative, Tanzania
74. PROTEGE QV
75. Rainier Communications
76. Red en Defensa de los Derechos Digitales (R3D)
77. RNW Media
78. SDSN TReNDS group
79. Simply Secure
80. Social Media Exchange (SMEX)
81. Somali Youth Development Foundation (SYDF).
82. Southeast Asia Freedom of Expression (SafeNet)
83. Sustainable Entrepreneurship and Economic Development Initiative (SEEDi)
84. Tanzania Health Care and Environmental Conservation Organisation
85. Taraaz
86. TechSocietal
87. TechSoup
88. The Bachchao Project
89. The Empathy Business
90. Ubunteam
91. UCSF Global Programs, Kenya
92. WikiRate
93. Wikimedians of the Caribbean (WikiCari)
94. Wisekey SA
95. Women at the Table
96. Women in Crisis Response
97. World Wide Web Foundation
98. YESAID Kenya
99. Youth Coalition on Internet Governance
100. ZeroToOne Foundation