

HIGH-LEVEL MINISTERIAL DIALOGUE ON DIGITAL COOPERATION

Fostering Global Digital Cooperation for Resilience, Prosperity, and Peace

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We, the Ministers and high-level representatives of the Member States of the Digital Cooperation Organization (DCO), meeting in New York on the margins of the 80th United Nations General Assembly, reaffirm our collective ambition.

Building on the momentum of the UN Global Digital Compact, adopted in 2024, and the DCO 4-Year Agenda for Digital Resilience and Prosperity (2025–2028), we are united by a clear purpose: **to ensure that digital transformation becomes a force for prosperity and peace, not for exclusion and fragmentation.**

To that end, we:

- 01 Recognize the urgency of overcoming digital fragmentation** and strengthening cooperation across countries and organizations.
- 02 Support the expansion of innovative cooperation models** for digital transformation, leveraging South-South and Triangular cooperation.
- 03 Commit to aligning national efforts with shared principles** on digital inclusion, responsible innovation, and resilient digital ecosystems.
- 04 Reaffirm the value of data-driven tools**, such as the DCO Digital Economy Navigator, to monitor progress and shape policies.
- 05 Welcome the expansion of the UN Group of Friends for Digital Cooperation**, co-chaired by Pakistan and Saudi Arabia, as a vital mechanism to sustain momentum and multilateral dialogue, here in New York.

The future of digital cooperation will not be written by anyone alone. It must be co-created. Looking ahead, we see the DCO as a catalyst. A new model of multilateral digital cooperation ready to connect ambition to action, and to work hand in hand with the United Nations, International Organizations, Member States, and Partners to chart a digital future that is inclusive, sustainable, and resilient.

