Group of Ten High-level Representatives of Civil Society, Private Sector and Scientific Community to Promote Science, Technology and Innovation for the SDGs (10-Member-Group) Suggestions for the STI Forum 2025, as discussed in the Group's 2nd in-person meeting at EPFL, 22-23 October 2024

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Bringing the UN closer to the pulse of scientific and technological progress

Scope: Science, technology and innovation for the SDGs (STI4SDGs) and frontier tech.





(Secretary, ex-officio Member, substantive & organizational support)

10-Member-Group, appointed by Secretary-General, mandated by UN General Assembly, independent

Engagement:

- Substantive leadership role for the STI Forum: concept, science-policy briefs, speakers, events, follow-up, recommendations.
- Support online platform and related knowledge sharing.
- with **UN partners/IATT**, UN expert groups
- Build initiatives & partnerships in special areas of expertise

Advice on:

- TFM, STI4SDGs and emerging science and tech (incl. "TFM findings), on tech solutions and partnerships
- SDG review, HLPF, and UN processes upon request
- Advise member States (and UN work)
- **Submit report** (in 2025) or produce written materials.

STI Forum 2025: 10MG thematic proposals

Narrative: "Scientific breakthroughs for a sustainable, safe and just future for all – from human rights to global sustainability solutions". Session entry points: breakthroughs in sustainability and materials science, social science, AI, biotech, space tech, and energy & climate-compatible technologies. Special 10MG event/meeting.

Thematic areas	10MG initiative
Opening: Presentation of narrative	A just world on a safe planet
Women at work in STEM	Women in STEM
Access to knowledge for sustainable built environments	Sustainable built environment hub; Africa case studies
R&D funding for the SDGs - from basic science to start-ups	R&D research funders
Strategic STI roadmaps examples (e.g., to build thriving	STI4SDG roadmaps guidebook
economies despite leaving fossil fuels underground)	
AI for SDGs - healthcare and food	AI and frontier tech book
Leveraging STI and space technology for oceans health and	STI governance
communities' livelihoods	
AI and democracy	AI and frontier tech book
Science diplomacy and int'l cooperation	Int'l science cooperation
Closing: Looking ahead & anticipating high-impact STI changes	AI and biotech book

Thank you!

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Recent 10MG inputs to FFD4:

- Part 1- STI Forum Outcomes 2016-2024
- Part 2 Key STI Trends, Messages, and Proposals for Consideration

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