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V-26	6 May 2025	9:00 - 10:15	Partnerships for Global Degree – Towards Affordable Higher Education and Flexible Student Mobility	Berlin School of Business and Innovation; Confederation of Indian Private Universities; Blitz India Media (Promotion Partner)	This event aims to bring together global academic leaders to explore innovative, cross-border, and multi-stakeholder collaborations in higher education, supporting the concept of a Global Degree. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-02	6 May 2025	9:00 - 10:00	Leveraging Behavioural Science and AI to Advance the Work of the UN	UN Innovation Network; Executive Office of the UN Secretary-General	This session explores how behavioural science and artificial intelligence can be strategically applied to enhance the effectiveness, innovation, and impact of the UN's work across sectors. (Contact Registration)
V-28	6 May 2025	9:00- 11:00	Beyond 2030: 10th Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals	IFORTIS WORLDWIDE	A forward-thinking dialogue exploring how emerging technologies, global partnerships, and inclusive innovation drive sustainable economy for advancing the SDGs beyond 2030. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-04	6 May 2025	10:00- 11:15	Exploring how technology can support better collection of conflict related sexual violence data	OHCHR	With support from Greece, this high-level dialogue will bring together voices from OHCHR field teams, UN agencies, regional commissions, civil society, and national experts. Together, we'll explore how emerging technologies can contribute to the fight against sexual violence in conflict. (Contact Registration Summary)

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V-06	6 May 2025	10:00-11:15	The Future of Open Access: How Science Diplomacy Can Champion Equitable Knowledge Systems Through Global Research Publishing Reform	Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office, FCDO; Science for Africa (SFA) Foundation; International Network for Advancing Science Policy (INASP)	A high-level dialogue on leveraging science diplomacy to reform global research publishing and fuel evidence –driven global development. (Website Contact Registration Summary)
V-13	6 May 2025	10:00-11:15	Launch of joint UN Futures Lab/Global Hub and International Science Council report on “Futures Thinking and Strategic Foresight in Action: Insights from the Global South	International Science Council; UN Futures Lab/Global Hub	This event will spotlight 14 case studies from the Global South featured in the report, showcasing foresight, indigenous wisdom and systems thinking to drive sustainable solutions for the 2030 Agenda. (Website Contact Registration)
V-17	6 May 2025	11:45-13:00	Delivering the Future: Sustainable Maritime - Leveraging Technology and Innovation to Support Clean Oceans	IEEE; National Technical University of Athens (NTUA); ECCO International, Inc.; Siemens Energy AS	This workshop explores electrification in decarbonizing maritime operations, looking at key technologies and actionable strategies for successfully implementing maritime electrification. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-21	7 May 2025	8:00-10:00	Water Conservation and Innovation Practices at Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research	Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research, Chennai, Tamilnadu, India; Indian Green Building Council, Industry Waste Management Association, Koyambedu, Chennai, Rotaract Club	SRIHER pioneered rainwater harvesting, wastewater recycling to minimize waste & enhance efficiency. Advanced monitoring, AI analytics optimize consumption partnering with government, industries & NGOs (Website Contact Registration Summary)

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V-01	7 May 2025	8:00-9:15	Frontier Technology for Every Child: How UNICEF and the Lao PDR Government use new technologies and low-cost sensors to estimate air quality for every village in the country.	UNICEF East Asia Pacific Regional Office, ICT and Digital Innovations Team; UNICEF Lao PDR Country Office, Lao PDR Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Lao PDR Ministry of Education and Sports, AirGradient Air Quality Monitors	UNICEF and Lao PDR used affordable sensors and open data to create a real-time AI model estimating air quality. Discover how machine learning helps protect children from air pollution's effects. (Website Event Contact Registration Summary)
V-05	7 May 2025	8:30 - 9:45	Science as a Shared Journey: Engaging Communities, Building Trust, and Advancing Open Science for the SDGs	UN Dag Hammarskjöld Library of the Department of Global Communications	The right to participate in and benefit from science is fundamental to human progress and achieving the SDGs. This side event addresses how public contributions to science strengthen public trust. (Website Contact Registration Summary)
V-27	7 May 2025	9:00 - 9:45	Developing Transparent and Accountable Ethical AI Technologies to Build Trust in Higher Education	University of Glasgow	An exploration of ethical, transparent, and accountable AI technologies aimed at enhancing trust within higher education institutions and their communities. (Website Contact Summary)
V-11	7 May 2025	9:00 - 10:15	From Pilot to Scale: Unlocking Evidence-based Innovation with UNICEF's 5D Innovation Framework	UNICEF	Join us for an engaging side event where we launch the 5D Innovation Framework - UNICEF's new groundbreaking approach to systemically identify, validate, and scale innovations. (Website Contact Registration Summary)

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HQ-25	7 May 2025	9:00-10:15	UN Global Horizon Scanning: Insights from using digital tools to analyze signals, trends, and drivers of change across the UN system	UN Futures Lab/Global Hub; DESA	The session will feature a joint initiative between the UN Futures Lab/Global Hub and DESA to apply digital capabilities in consolidating insights of horizon scanning initiatives across the UN system. (Website Contact)
V-12	7 May 2025	10:00-12:00	Harnessing AI, GIS, and Earth Observation for Early Warning Systems	The Global Centre for Risk and Innovation (GCRI)	Exploring how the Nexus Ecosystem operationalizes science, technology, and innovation to achieve SDGs through anticipatory risk governance and exponential tech for resilience. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-07	7 May 2025	13:15-14:45	Emerging Health Technologies and Health Development	Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC); WHO; UNESCO; Carnegie Mellon University (Pittsburg [USA] and Rwanda [Africa]); The University of Pittsburgh, PA (USA); Children's Hospital Los Angeles, California (USA)	The scientific community needs to communicate their work and the inherent uncertainty of the scientific process more effectively - Capacity building is essential to ensure equal participation. (Website Contact Summary)
V-22	8 May 2025	8:00-9:15	Digitally Empowered Healthy City Development: Innovative Strategies and Practices	Urban Planning Society of China (UPSC); CAST UN Consultative Committee on Sustainable City, Community and Heritage	This event will explore how innovative technologies can optimize the spatial allocation of health resources and advance health equity. (Website Contact Summary)

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V-10	8 May 2025	8:00-9:15	One Health for All: Synergistic Solutions Advancing SDG3 through Sustainable Science & Inclusive Innovation — Bridging Evidence-Based Technologies and Equity to Achieve the 2030 Agenda	Chinese Preventive Medicine Association; CAST UN Consultative Committee on Life Science and Human Health; One Health Working Group of WFPHA; Chinese Center for Tropical Diseases Research, SJTUSM; National Institute of Parasitic Diseases, China CDC	The event will explore integrated One Health approaches aligned with the 2030 Agenda, discuss inclusive design, climate-health links, data justice, and launch a Global One Health Index Consensus. (Website Contact Registration Summary)
V-31	8 May 2025	8:00-9:30	STI - Hackathon	Major Working Group with Children and Youth - MGCY	A youth-led hackathon empowering innovative climate action solutions for SDG 13 through technology, collaboration, and mentorship at the 2025 UN STI Forum. (Website Contact Meeting Link)
V-19	8 May 2025	8:30 – 10:00	Data+AI for Sustainable Industries Growth	World Digital Technology Academy (WDTA); Columbia University Data Science Institute; Cloud Security Alliance Greater China Region (CSA GCR)	The event explores data-AI synergy, analyzing trends in data management and AI technologies, and their transformative impact across industries. (Website Contact Registration Link Summary)
V-03	8 May 2025	8:00-10:00	Harnessing bioeconomy science, technology and innovation for a sustainable and inclusive agrifood systems transformation.	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); UN Global Pulse	International cooperation on bioeconomy advances SDGs by boosting agrifood efficiency, resilience, food security, nutrition, and social inclusion through sustainable innovations. (Website Contact Registration Summary)

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V-09	8 May 2025	8:00-10:00	Gender Equity and Global Partnership: A Global South Perspective	China Association for Science and Technology (CAST); CAST UN Consultative Committee on Open Science and Global Partnership (CCOS), CAST UN Consultative Committee on Women Scientists and Gender Equality & Solidarity, Zhejiang University, China Women's Association for Science and Technology	This event explores a Global South perspective to enhance women's leadership in global partnerships and open science-driven reforms in research evaluation systems, aligned with IDSSD Programme. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-18	8 May 2025	8:00-10:00	Cross-regional Collaborative Innovation for Urban Sustainable Development	Chengdu Zero Carbon Collaborative Innovation Advancement Association (CCAA); Chinese Society for Sustainable Development (The Experimental Demonstration Work Committee for Sustainable Development), CSSD; Shenzhen Society for Sustainable Development; Shenzhen Institute of Sustainable Development; Science-Innovation Institute of Sustainable Development, Longgang, Shenzhen	The side event aims to promote policy coordination and technology sharing, providing innovative ideas and practical solutions for building an inclusive, resilient and net-zero carbon urban network. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-14	8 May 2025	8:30-10:00	The Nexus between Planetary Health, Climate and Environmental Crises, and Youth Mental Health	Young Women for Planetary Health, Women Leaders for Planetary Health, Planetary Health Alliance, SERAC Bangladesh	This session will explore the mental health impacts of planetary health crises on youth, with a strong focus on young women and girls. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)

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V-24	8 May 2025	10:00 - 11:00	Building resilience with the SDGs - Creating safer, stronger communities	De Montfort University, Leicester, United Kingdom, University of Vale do Rio dos Sinos, Brazil - UNISINOS, Brazil, Institute of Smart City and Management, UEH, Vietnam, University of Cologne, Germany	Experts from the United Nations Academic Hub for SDG 11 explore enhancing urban resilience, focusing on disaster preparedness, climate adaptation, social inclusion, and sustainable development. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-15	8 May 2025	10:00- 11:30	Reforming the Culture of Inclusion in Science for Sustainable Development: Bringing Everyone Forward	Royal Academy of Science International Trust; Holy Family University, T.C. Istanbul Atlas University	Royal Academy of Science International Trust is organizing a high-level Panel focusing on the role of professionals with disabilities as key contributors to SDGs with a special focus on SDG 8 nexus (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-16	8 May 2025	13:15- 14:45	Global Markets, Local Power: How AI is Elevating Indigenous and Artisan Economies	Hecho por Nosotros & animaná; Ashoka	This event shows how AI platforms connect MSMEs to markets, preserving artisanal culture and language while promoting global visibility through real success stories. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)
V-23	8 May 2025	13:15- 14:45	See Us, Hear Us, Allow Us: About Women in Universities (Nos veja, nos ouça, nos permita: sobre mulheres nas universidades)	SDG 1 Hub UNAI - Luiz de Queiroz College of Agriculture – University of São Paulo (ESALQ/USP); Committee of Inclusion and Belonging (ESALQ/USP)	We will discuss women's participation in universities through dialogues on gender equity, opportunities, and professional training, in light of SDGs 5 and 8. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)

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V-20	8 May 2025	18:00-19:00	Seascape restoration and resilience	Macquarie University; Sydney Institute of Marine Science	This virtual event explores transformative multi-habitat restoration in urban coastal environments, focusing on marine biodiversity, connectivity, and carbon sequestration. (Website Contact Meeting Link Summary)

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