Learning



Shared learning is a defining pillar of GNI's multistakeholder model. By creating a trusted platform for civil society, academia, investors, and tech companies, GNI enables members and partners to synthesize research, analyze policy developments, and address complex digital rights challenges. In 2025, GNI accelerated these efforts, hosting more Learning programming than in any previous year.



GNI Annual Learning Forum 2025

GNI, in partnership with the CELE, hosted its Annual Learning Forum on 22 October 2025 at the University of Palermo Law School in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The first Forum held in Latin America, it brought together global experts to examine how governments, companies, and civil society are responding to rapidly evolving regulatory and political landscapes affecting technology and human rights. Held alongside CELE's "Toward a Better Regulation of the Internet" workshop and GNI's Annual Meeting of Members and Q3 Board Meeting, the Forum explored key issues including intermediary liability, AI regulation, and the evolving responsibilities of states and companies to protect freedom of expression and privacy, highlighting the importance of Latin American perspectives in global digital rights discussions.

Recordings of the panels and closing remarks are available to watch here.



Learning Series & Key Deliverables

Working Group	*Learning call topics/themes*	*Output*
Human Rights Due Diligence (HRDD)	• Community Moderation, Human Rights Due Diligence, and Government Demands & Restrictions • Hash Databases, Human Rights Due Diligence, and Government Demands & Restrictions • Navigating AI Moderation and the Risks to Free Expression	Summary report examining how content governance models impact freedom of expression and privacy amid accelerating state regulation.
Artificial Intelligence (AIWG)	• AI "on the network" • AI "in the network" • AI governance	Policy brief mapping state interventions across the AI value chain using a five-part taxonomy across infrastructure, development, and deployment layers.

Beyond these series, GNI convened members for learning calls on a range of geopolitical and technical trends, including sessions on the "U.S. Foreign Aid Funding Freeze," "Network Disruptions & Surveillance in Africa," "Global Trends in Network Blocking and Interference and Related Human Rights Impacts," and "Researcher Access to Public Platform Data."

GNI also translated learnings from internal activities into external workshops alongside international forums. At RightsCon 2025, GNI engaged with Taiwan's Ministry of Digital Affairs to explore intermediary liability and content regulation under the Tobacco Hazards Prevention Act, held sessions to align trust and safety practices with human rights, and shared corporate human rights compliance lessons for Central Asia. In May 2026 GNI participated at the Digital Rights and Inclusion Forum (DRIF) in Zambia, running our SIM card tabletop exercise with participation from several GNI company and civil society members. Additionally, in July 2025, alongside the WSIS+20 High-Level Event and AI for Good Action Summit, GNI convened a Geneva workshop with the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) on integrating the UNGPs into technical standard-setting. Finally, GNI co-hosted a high-level session on the sidelines of the IGF 2025 in Oslo, Norway to discuss the role of institutional investors in tech governance and moderated a session focused on incorporating human rights in AI governance.



