

Call for Papers: the 4th LSE-Fudan Annual Conference on Global Public Policy

We are pleased to announce the 4th LSE-Fudan annual conference on Global Public Policy, which will take place in London on 6-7 November 2025. This year's conference will focus on the theme of *AI for Global Good*. This interdisciplinary gathering will explore how artificial intelligence and digital technologies can be harnessed to address pressing global challenges while examining the policy frameworks needed to ensure equitable and sustainable outcomes.

As AI technologies rapidly transform governance, service delivery, and policy implementation across the globe, there is an urgent need to understand their implications for public policy design and effectiveness. This conference brings together leading voices from academia, government, international organizations, and civil society to examine both opportunities and challenges in leveraging AI for the global good.

Conference Objectives

The rapid advancement of AI technologies presents both opportunities and challenges for global public policy. As governments, organizations, and communities navigate this complex landscape, it is essential to critically examine how AI can be harnessed to promote the common good. This conference aims to:

1. Foster interdisciplinary dialogue on the role of AI in shaping social, health, environmental, and industrial policies.
2. Analyze the governance frameworks necessary for ensuring that AI technologies are developed and deployed ethically and responsibly.
3. Explore the implications of AI for equity, accessibility, and sustainability in public policy.

Panels and Topics

We invite submissions for panels that address, but not limited to the following key areas:

Social Policy and Digital Inclusion

Papers examining how AI and digital technologies can enhance social protection systems, reduce inequality, and promote inclusive growth. Topics may include algorithmic fairness in welfare systems, digital divide considerations, AI-enabled social services, and the future of work in the digital economy.

Health Policy and Digital Health Innovation

Contributions exploring AI applications in global health governance, pandemic preparedness, health system strengthening, and equitable access to healthcare. We welcome research on AI-driven diagnostic tools, health data governance, telemedicine policy frameworks, and digital health equity.

AI and Technology Governance

Papers addressing regulatory frameworks, ethical guidelines, and governance mechanisms for AI deployment in public sectors. Topics include AI accountability, algorithmic transparency, cross-border data governance, digital rights, and international cooperation on AI standards.

Environmental Policy and Climate Technology

Research on how AI and digital technologies can support environmental sustainability, climate adaptation, and green transitions. We seek papers on AI for climate modeling, smart city initiatives, environmental monitoring systems, and technology-enabled circular economy policies.

Industrial Policy and Digital Transformation

Contributions examining how governments can foster innovation while managing the socioeconomic impacts of digital transformation. Topics include AI industrial strategies, public-private partnerships in technology development, digital trade policies, and the role of state capacity in digital governance.

Submission Guidelines

We invite researchers to submit abstracts of no more than 300 words outlining their proposed papers or panel discussions. Please include the following information:

- Title of the paper or panel
- Author(s) name(s) and affiliation(s)
- Contact information
- A brief biography (100 words) for each author

Submissions should be sent to Socialpolicy.Fudanhub@lse.ac.uk by **22 August, 2025**. Selected authors will be notified by **5 September, 2025**.

Conference Date and Location

The conference will take place on **6 & 7 November 2025** at **LSE**. We anticipate a vibrant exchange of ideas among participants from diverse backgrounds and perspectives, fostering collaboration and innovation in the realm of global public policy.

This conference represents an opportunity to engage with key issues at the intersection of AI and public policy. We look forward to your contributions and to a fruitful dialogue on how we can collectively shape a future where AI serves as a force for global good.