

Position Paper

Delegation: Kingdom of Morocco

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Agenda: Regulating Artificial Intelligence to Prevent Digital Colonialism

I. Country Profile

The Kingdom of Morocco, with its capital city being Rabat, is strategically located at the crossroads of Africa, the Arab world, and Europe. Being a regional frontrunner in digital transformation, Morocco supports an ethical, sovereign, and inclusive path to Artificial Intelligence (AI). Under the Digital Morocco 2030 strategy and driven by the UNESCO Recommendation on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, Morocco strives to boost AI while protecting national data, human rights, and global balance.

Morocco is also a UNESCO Category II host for AI research (Rabat) and has partnered with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to launch Africa's largest AI supercomputing center. These steps reflect the nation's commitment to positioning itself as a leader in ethical, human-centered AI.

II. The Role on the Agenda

Morocco acknowledges that AI, at the same time as it holds transformative promise for economic and social development, also poses serious concerns such as algorithmic bias, foreign data extraction, surveillance capitalism, and the marginalization of the Global South.

From the position of Morocco's delegation, digital colonialism, where global tech giants impose foreign technologies, exploit data, and influence socio-political norms, needs to be addressed through both multilateral cooperation and legal safeguards.

III. National Measures & International Contributions

1. National Policy: Among the pioneering African countries to adopt the UNESCO AI Ethics guidelines, now integrated into the country's national policy.

2. Legal Reforms: It has the government drafting the legislation to establish the National Artificial Intelligence Agency, regulating the AI tools, and ensuring the components of transparency, fairness, and accountability.

3. Capacity Building: Through collaborations with African countries and global organizations, Morocco encourages the education of AI in schools and rural regions and backs programs like AI for children and UNESCO's AI movement centre in Rabat.

4. Data Sovereignty: Morocco demands data localization policies and ethical deployment of AI. Foreign companies are to adhere to local laws and support digital upskilling of Moroccan residents.

5. Infrastructure: Morocco is home to Africa's largest AI-ready data center (3.1 petaflops) and hosts GITEX Africa, the continent's largest tech summit – underscoring its ambition to become a regional AI powerhouse.

6. AI Education & Partnerships: The government has launched programs such as "AI for Kids", integrated AI into school curricula, and partnered with UAE's AI71 initiative to fund compute access and train youth in rural areas.

IV. International Action Proposed

The Kingdom of Morocco urges the UN and its member states to:

- Enact a UN Declaration on Digital Human Rights, which ensures rights to privacy, informed consent, transparency of algorithms, and redress against misuse of AI.
- Develop an Independent Global AI Regulatory Framework that regulates cross-border AI operations and forbids exploitative data practices.
- Establish a Global Digital Equity Fund to support developing countries in developing AI capabilities, data infrastructure, and local tech innovation.
- Ensure Fair Tech Transfer Agreements, whereby AI implemented in the Global South also educates local people and honors cultural sovereignty
- Mandatory Algorithmic Bias Audits: Morocco calls for international regulation requiring independent audits of AI models, especially those deployed in the Global South, to prevent racial, gender, and regional discrimination — particularly from systems trained on biased, Western-centric datasets.

V. Conclusion

As a gateway between continents and a voice of moral innovation, Morocco is convinced that Artificial Intelligence must not be the new tool of digital domination. Rather, it must be used in a spirit of mutual respect, ethical design, and shared prosperity. The Kingdom calls on the committee to drive bold, inclusive, and enforceable frameworks that make sure AI benefits humanity — not polarizes it.

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