



## Invitation to Roundtable Discussion 8 April 2025

### Data Commons: Creating Inclusive Data Capital and Enabling Fair Access

Dear Colleague,

On behalf of the United Nations Office for Digital and Emerging Technologies (ODET) and the Centre for Artificial Intelligence Research (CAIR), we are pleased to invite you to participate in an important roundtable discussion on **Data Commons**.

This session is part of our ongoing initiative to develop a comprehensive white paper exploring the multifaceted questions surrounding data commons.

**Date:** Tuesday, 8 April 2025

**Time:** 11:30 - 13:00

**Venue:** Future Africa Campus, University of Pretoria, Conference Room 1

**Address:** South St, Koedoespoort 456-Jr, Pretoria, 0186, South Africa

The roundtable will feature opening remarks by USG Gill and Prof. Emma Ruttkamp-Bloem, followed by focused panel discussions on creating inclusive data capital and enabling fair access to AI. Please find attached the concept note with the detailed agenda and background information.

Your expertise and perspective would be invaluable to this discussion. Please confirm your attendance by replying to this invitation by **2 April 2025**.

A light lunch will be served to ODET staff and panellists in a private dining room after the event.

We look forward to your participation in this important dialogue.

Sincerely,

UN ODET and Centre for Artificial Intelligence Research (CAIR)