

AI for Everyone: Creating a Better Future?

Preparatory conference for the Paris 2025 “AI Action Summit”

Monday 27 January, 2-6pm

French Institute of Bulgaria - 3 Slaveykov Square, Sofia

Event in English without translation

14:00 | Welcome and opening speech: “AI Action Summit”: Challenges and Regulation

- H.E. M. Joël Meyer, French Ambassador to Bulgaria

14:30-15:30 | Panel 1 – AI for Public Interest: Universal and Responsible Accessibility?

- Alexandre GEFEN – Research Director in Digital Humanities at the French National Center for Scientific Research CNRS
- Petia KOPRINKOVA-HRISTOVA – Professor at Institute of Information and Communication Technologies, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
- Sam MOTAMED – Researcher in Generative AI at INSAIT
- Moderator: Sasha BEZUHANOVA, business angel, founder of MOVE.BG and of the Bulgarian Center for Women in Technology

Coffee break – 15 min.

15:45-16:45 | Panel 2 – AI and the Transformation of Work: Creativity, Skills and Well-being

- Sylvain COLLOT – VP Global Operations Melexis & Managing Director XPEQT
- Emilyan ENEV, founder of Startup Factory, a non-profit association developing digital skills in Ruse, founder & CEO of the tech Re:Check, a Bulgarian-Dutch using blockchain
- Dimitar UZUNOV – co-founder & CEO of Project Arte Urbana Collectif
- Moderator: Maximilien VOHNOUT – founder of NEO Cyber Camp, Partnerships and institutional relations manager for French Tech Sofia

16:45-17:45 | Panel 3 – Supporting AI Innovation Ecosystems: Competitiveness vs. Regulation?

- Evgeni BORISOV - co-founder & CEO Pontica Solutions
- Gilbert DELABROUSSE – co-founder & CTO INENSIA

- Dimitar JEKOV – Chief Commercial Officer Mavenstat
- Moderator: Maria KARASHANOVA – Tech and AI Journalist and editor at Economedia – *Capital's* AI newsletter