

Copyright, the Right to Research and Just AI — three days on the lake in Geneva.

30 September – 3 October 2026 · Domaine Barton, Parc Mon Repos, Geneva Graduate Institute

Programme at a glance

Wednesday 30 September

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| Foyer, Villa Barton, Parc Mon Repos |  |
| 18:00–20:00<br>Reception            |  |

Thursday 1 October

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| Jacques Freymond Auditorium, Pavillon Barton, Parc Mon Repos         |                                       |
| 09:00–09:30<br>S1 Opening and Introduction                           | 08:00–09:00<br>Light Breakfast        |
| 09:30–11:00<br>S2 The Case for Just AI                               | 11:00–11:30<br>Refreshments Available |
| 11:30–13:00<br>S3 Minimum L&Es to Enable Just AI                     | 13:00–14:00<br>Lunch                  |
| 14:00–15:30<br>S4 Sustaining creativity via Remuneration & Licensing | 15:30–16:00<br>Refreshments Available |
| 16:00–17:30<br>S5 Multilateral System, Right to Research and JustAI  |                                       |
| Foyer                                                                |                                       |
| 17:30–20:00<br>Reception                                             |                                       |

Friday 2 October

| Parallel sessions: Villa Barton, Parc Mon Repos (1st floor, rooms B11, B12, B13) |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |
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| Room B11                                                                         | Room B12                                                                           | Room B13                                                               | Foyer, Villa Barton                   |
| 09:00–10:45<br>S7 Right to Science                                               | 09:00–10:45<br>S6 Traditional Knowledge: Legal Rights and Ethical Responsibilities | 09:00–11:00<br>S8 Towards Common Principles for Data Re-use Conditions | 08:30–10:00<br>Light breakfast snacks |
| 11:15–12:45<br>S10 Just AI in the Global South                                   | 11:15–12:45<br>S9 Copyright and AI Outputs                                         | 11:30–13:00<br>S11 Globalising Fair Use & Library Rights               | 10:30–11:30<br>Refreshments Available |
| 13:15–14:45<br>S13 African Group Proposal on L&Es                                | 13:15–14:45<br>S12 Defending the Commons & Open Access                             | 13:30–15:00<br>S14 Rethinking Copyright in the Age of AI               | 12:00–15:00<br>Lunch Available        |
| Jacques Freymond Auditorium, Pavillon Barton, Parc Mon Repos                     |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |
| 15:30–17:00<br>S15 Elements of a Vision for Research and JustAI                  |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |
| 17:00–17:15<br>S16 Concluding Thoughts                                           |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |
| 17:15–17:45<br>S17 User Rights Network Meeting                                   |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |
| Foyer, Villa Barton, Parc Mon Repos                                              |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |
| 17:30–20:00<br>Reception                                                         |                                                                                    |                                                                        |                                       |

Saturday 3 October

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| Petal 2, Maison de la Paix, Chemin Eugène-Rigot 2A |  |
| 10:00–13:00<br>S18 Private meetings                |  |

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| Programme in full                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |             |             |
| Wednesday 30 September                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |             |             |
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| 08:00–09:00 Light Breakfast · Pavillon Barton                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |             |             |
| AUDITORIUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | SESSION 1   | 09:00–09:30 |
| Opening and Introduction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |             |
| <p>PRESENTERS</p> <p><b>Sean FLYNN</b>, Centre on Knowledge Governance —Welcome and framing for the conference</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |             |             |
| AUDITORIUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | SESSION 2   | 09:30–11:00 |
| The Case for Just AI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |             |
| <p>MODERATOR</p> <p><b>Ben CASHDAN</b>, Centre on Knowledge Governance —Framing Just AI: an overview</p> <p>DISCUSSANTS</p> <p><b>Arul George SCARIA</b>, National Law School of India (Bengaluru)</p> <p><b>Luca COMINASSI</b>, Public AI Fellow (Metagov)</p> <p><b>Teshager DAGNE</b>, York University</p> <p><b>Carolina BOTERO</b>, Access to Knowledge Coalition (A2K)</p> <p><b>Anna MAZGAL</b>, Wikimedia Europe</p> <p><b>Charles DUAN</b>, American University Washington College of Law</p> <p>NOTE TAKERS</p> <p><b>Luca SCHIRRU</b>, Centre on Knowledge Governance (CKG)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |             |             |
| 11:00–11:30 Refreshments Available · Pavillon Barton                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |             |
| AUDITORIUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | SESSION 3   | 11:30–13:00 |
| Minimum L&Es to Enable Just AI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |             |
| <p>MODERATOR</p> <p><b>Sean FLYNN</b>, Centre on Knowledge Governance</p> <p>PRESENTERS</p> <p><b>Martin SENFTLEBEN</b>, Institute for Information Law (IViR), University of Amsterdam —The role of copyright in shaping Public AI</p> <p><b>Rachael SAMBERG</b>, University of California, Berkeley —The Right to Research Without a Right: Contractual Override and the Limits of Private Ordering in the United States</p> <p><b>Thomas MARGONI</b>, CITIP – KU Leuven —EU Data governance, public infrastructures and transparent AI</p> <p><b>Maja BOGATAJ JANCIC</b>, Open Data and Intellectual Property Institute ODIPi —Copyright as Infrastructure for Public AI: The Untapped Potential of the text and data mining exception for scientific research in the EU CSDM Directive</p> <p>DISCUSSANTS</p> <p><b>Carys CRAIG</b>, Osgoode Hall Law School</p> <p>NOTE TAKERS</p> <p><b>Aditya GUPTA</b>, Geneva Center on Knowledge Governance</p> |             |             |
| 13:00–14:00 Lunch · Villa Barton                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |             |             |
| AUDITORIUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | SESSION 4   | 14:00–15:30 |
| Sustaining creativity via Remuneration & Licensing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |             |             |
| <p>MODERATOR</p> <p><b>Luca SCHIRRU</b>, Centre on Knowledge Governance (CKG) —Funding creation through tax, not copyright</p> <p>PRESENTERS</p> <p><b>Severine DUSOLLIER</b>, Sciences Po Paris —Generative AI and creators' remuneration: Debunking the concept of public domain payant</p> <p><b>Elena IZYUMENKO</b>, IViR, University of Amsterdam —Do Human Rights Justify AI Remuneration? Between Protecting Creators and Protecting Copyright Markets</p> <p><b>Alice De Perdigão LANA</b>, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro —Remunerating Human Authors in the Age of Generative Artificial Intelligence: A Global South Perspective</p> <p>DISCUSSANTS</p> <p><b>Chuck ROSLOF</b>, Wikimedia Foundation</p> <p><b>Paul KELLER</b>, Open Future</p> <p>NOTE TAKERS</p> <p><b>Mohammadmahdi GHORBANINIYA</b>, IHEID</p> <p><b>Nikoo NAEIMI</b>, Geneva Graduate Institute</p>                                                                |             |             |
| 15:30–16:00 Refreshments Available · Pavillon Barton                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |             |
| AUDITORIUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | SESSION 5   | 16:00–17:30 |
| Multilateral System, Right to Research and JustAI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |             |             |
| <p>MODERATOR</p> <p><b>Susan Isiko ŠTRBA</b>, Centre on Knowledge Governance</p> <p>PRESENTERS</p> <p><b>Henning GROSSE RUSE-KAHN</b>, University of Cambridge —Fitting an L&amp;Es instrument into the international IP framework</p> <p><b>Michael GEIST</b>, University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law —How digital-trade rules constrain AI transparency and disclosure</p> <p><b>Neha MISHRA</b>, Geneva Graduate Institute —The Impact of E-Commerce Moratorium on AI Innovation and Development</p> <p>DISCUSSANTS</p> <p><b>Stephen WYBER</b>, IFLA</p> <p><b>Viviana MUNOZ</b>, South Centre</p> <p>NOTE TAKERS</p> <p><b>Lokesh VYAS</b>, SciencesPo, Paris.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |             |             |
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Friday 2 October

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08:30–10:00 Light breakfast snacks

ROOM B11

SESSION 7

09:00–10:45

### Right to Science

MODERATOR  
**Margaret CHON**, Seattle University School of Law — GenAI and copyright for global knowledge exchange

PRESENTERS  
**Andreas REIS**, World Health Organization —Overview of the WHO Expert Group on the Ethics and Governance of AI for Health  
**Argyri PANEZI**, University of New Brunswick, Faculty of Law —(Why) Would Machines Have More Rights than Human Readers?  
**Guillermo Rodrigo CORREDOR**, Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Perú —The Fundamental Right to Research in the Age of AI: An Alexian Approach to Minimum Copyright Exceptions  
**Kacper SZKALEJ**, University of Bergen —Copyright's Missing Scientist: Research Exceptions Beyond Text, Illustration and Institutional Access  
**Klaus D. BEITER**, North-West University —The Right to Science, Copyright, and Research in the Age of AI: Augmenting the 'Right to Research' – From 'Assetisation' to Public AI

DISCUSSANTS  
**Heather JOSEPH**, SPARC  
**Yuanqiong HU**, Médecins Sans Frontières Access

NOTE TAKERS  
**Lokesh VYAS**, SciencesPo, Paris.

ROOM B12

SESSION 6

09:00–10:45

### Traditional Knowledge: Legal Rights and Ethical Responsibilities

MODERATOR  
**Wend WENDLAND**

PRESENTERS  
**Kim NAYYER**, Cornell University —AI, knowledge appropriation, and a new colonialism  
**Walter SCHOLGER**, Department of Digital Humanities, University of Graz —The Right to Research: Minimum Limitations and Exceptions for Computational Research  
**Vitor IDO**, University of São Paulo —AI for and against the Preservation of Indigenous Languages in Brazil: A Case Study  
**Paula WESTENBERGER**, Brunel University of London — Artificial intelligence for cultural heritage research: the challenges in UK copyright law and policy  
**Teshager DAGNE**, York University —Shaping AI Governance to Harness AI Innovations in Africa: Intellectual Property Rules and Practice in Community-oriented AI Innovations  
**Nancy E. WEISS**, American University, Washington College of Law —Traditional Knowledge in the Age of AI: Agency, Access, and Authority

NOTE TAKERS  
**Ben CASHDAN**, Centre on Knowledge Governance

VIDEOGRAPHER  
**Simone HAMMERSLEY**

ROOM B13

PRIVATE

SESSION 8

09:00–11:00

### Towards Common Principles for Data Re-use Conditions

MODERATOR  
**Teresa NOBRE**, COMMUNIA

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10:30–11:30 Refreshments Available

ROOM B11

SESSION 10

11:15–12:45

### Just AI in the Global South

MODERATOR  
**Tobias SCHONWETTER**, iNtaka Centre & IP Unit, University of Cape Town

PRESENTERS  
**Arul George SCARIA**, National Law School of India (Bengaluru) —What ANI v. OpenAI signals for Public AI  
**Hanani HLOMANI**, University of Cape Town — Developmental Fair Use: Rethinking Intellectual Property and Data Governance for AI Training in Developing Economies  
**Pierre EL KHOURY**, Faculty of Law and Political Science, Notre Dame University-Louaize (NDU) — Neither Free Extraction nor Absolute Control: A Global South Copyright Framework for Research, Remuneration and Just AI  
**Susan Isiko ŠTRBA**, Centre on Knowledge Governance —AI Governance and education in Africa

DISCUSSANTS  
**Allan ROCHA DE SOUZA**, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ) // IBDAutoral  
**Carolina BOTERO**, Access to Knowledge Coalition (A2K)  
**Patricia DIAZ**, DATA Uruguay and A2K Latin American Alliance  
**Teshager DAGNE**, York University

NOTE TAKERS  
**Luca SCHIRRU**, Centre on Knowledge Governance (CKG)

ROOM B12

SESSION 9

11:15–12:45

### Copyright and AI Outputs

MODERATOR  
**Zachary COOPER**, Weizenbaum Institute Berlin / Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam —Resisting the privatisation of copyright after AI

PRESENTERS  
**Charles DUAN**, American University Washington College of Law —Inside the AI  
**Clark ASAY**, BYU Law School —Artificial Creativity  
**Eddan KATZ**, LexLab – UC Law San Francisco — Provenance Public Infrastructure: The Evidentiary Layer of Just AI

DISCUSSANTS  
**Severine DUSOLLIER**, Sciences Po Paris  
**Thomas MARGONI**, CiTIP – KU Leuven

NOTE TAKERS  
**Ben CASHDAN**, Centre on Knowledge Governance

VIDEOGRAPHER  
**Simone HAMMERSLEY**

ROOM B13

SESSION 11

11:30–13:00

### Globalising Fair Use & Library Rights

MODERATOR  
**Jonathan BAND**, Policybandwidth —Exporting fair use as a global research safeguard

PRESENTERS  
**Carys CRAIG**, Osgoode Hall Law School — UNFORGIVING FAIR DEALING: PAST TIME FOR CANADIAN COPYRIGHT REFORM  
**Naama DANIEL**, The Federmann Cyber Security Research Center – Cyber Law Program, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem —Protecting National Limitations and Exceptions in a Globalized World  
**Stephen WYBER**, IFLA —Legal Deposit and Downstream Use  
**Torger KIELLAND**, University of Bergen —Unlocking the Archive: Copyright, Public Access, and the Politics of Legal Deposit in Norway's National Library

DISCUSSANTS  
**Henning GROSSE RUSE-KAHN**, University of Cambridge  
**Rachael SAMBERG**, University of California, Berkeley

NOTE TAKERS  
**Aditya GUPTA**, Geneva Center on Knowledge Governance

12:00–15:00 Lunch Available

ROOM B11    SESSION 13    13:15–14:45

### African Group Proposal on L&Es

**MODERATOR**  
**Sean FLYNN**, Centre on Knowledge Governance

**PRESENTERS**  
**Cosmas Babilas MASIMO**, Access to Knowledge (A2K) —The Study of Copyright Limitations and Exceptions in Selected African Countries: A Comparative Legal Review on Education, Research, and Libraries  
**Juteau TOUSSE**, Permanent mission —The Status of the African Group Proposal  
**Tobias SCHONWETTER**, iNtaka Centre & IP Unit, University of Cape Town —From Fair Use to Fair Values – how South Africa's Copyright Amendment Bill decision reshapes the balancing of access and control

**DISCUSSANTS**  
**Carys CRAIG**, Osgoode Hall Law School  
**Henning GROSSE RUSE-KAHN**, University of Cambridge  
**Martin SENFLEBEN**, Institute for Information Law (IWiR), University of Amsterdam  
**Susan Isiko ŠTRBA**, Centre on Knowledge Governance  
**Teresa NOBRE**, COMMUNIA

ROOM B12    SESSION 12    13:15–14:45

### Defending the Commons & Open Access

**MODERATOR**  
**Anna MAZGAL**, Wikimedia Europe —Protecting community-built knowledge commons from AI enclosure

**PRESENTERS**  
**Aman GEBRU**, University of Houston Law Center —The paradox of open-access platforms in intellectual property law  
**Apoorv PRAGYA**, Chanakya National Law University —WOLF IN SHEEP'S GARB? RECONFIGURATION OF POWER IN KNOWLEDGE GOVERNANCE AND THE POLITICAL CO-OPTATION OF OPEN ACCESS  
**Delia BROWNE**, Creative Commons —Creative Commons – public interest protections

**DISCUSSANTS**  
**Meredith JACOB**, American University, Washington College of Law  
**Sara BENSON**, IFLA  
**Viviana MUNOZ**, South Centre

**NOTE TAKERS**  
**Nikoo NAEIMI**, Geneva Graduate Institute

ROOM B13    SESSION 14    13:30–15:00

### Rethinking Copyright in the Age of AI

**MODERATOR**  
**Luca SCHIRRU**, Centre on Knowledge Governance (CKG)

**PRESENTERS**  
**Nino ELOSHVILI**, Lecturer at Business and Technology University and Georgian Institute of Public Affairs, Ph.D. student at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University —Reservation Rights for Works – A Contribution to Protection or a Source of Complexity?  
**Aditya GUPTA**, Geneva Center on Knowledge Governance —Piracy, Infringement, and the Empire of Copyright: A Speech-Act Genealogy of the “Enemy of All Mankind”  
**Bitu AMANI**, Queen's University, Faculty of Law —Just AI, Access, and Accessibility: Copyright's Balance and Considerations for Persons with Disabilities  
**Lokesh VYAS**, SciencesPo, Paris. —Genealogy of International Copyright Law (1850s to 2000)  
**Maria VASQUEZ CALLO-MÜLLER**, University of Lucerne —Rethinking Just AI Beyond International Copyright: Digital Trade Law as a Pathway to Democratized Data Access for AI  
**Sevinchbeka KHAZRATKULOVA**, Tashkent State University of Law —Compensating Creators in the Age of AI: Rethinking Licensing Frameworks Through Uzbekistan's Copyright Enforcement Experience

**NOTE TAKERS**  
**Aditya GUPTA**, Geneva Center on Knowledge Governance

Jacques Freymond Auditorium, Pavillon Barton, Parc Mon Repos

AUDITORIUM    SESSION 15    15:30–17:00

### Elements of a Vision for Research and JustAI

**MODERATOR**  
**Ben CASHDAN**, Centre on Knowledge Governance

**DISCUSSANTS**  
**Anna MAZGAL**, Wikimedia Europe  
**Jonathan BAND**, Policybandwidth  
**Margaret CHON**, Seattle University School of Law  
**Michael GEIST**, University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law  
**Sean FLYNN**, Centre on Knowledge Governance  
**Teresa NOBRE**, COMMUNIA  
**Wend WENDLAND**  
**Zachary COOPER**, Weizenbaum Institute Berlin / Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

AUDITORIUM    SESSION 16    17:00–17:15    Concluding Thoughts

AUDITORIUM    URN MEMBERS ONLY    SESSION 17    17:15–17:45    User Rights Network Meeting

Foyer, Villa Barton, Parc Mon Repos

FOYER    17:30–20:00    Reception

Saturday 3 October

Petal 2, Maison de la Paix, Chemin Eugène-Rigot 2A

PETAL 2    SESSION 18    10:00–13:00    Private meetings

**Domaine Barton** · Parc Mon Repos, Geneva Graduate Institute — Jacques Freymond Auditorium (Pavillon Barton), and the Foyer and Rooms B11–B13 (Villa Barton).

**Maison de la Paix** · Chemin Eugène-Rigot 2A — Petal 2, Saturday only.

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