

THINK7 CANADA 2025



2025 THINK7 SUMMIT

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DRAFT PROGRAM

April 1-2, 2025

PRE-SUMMIT EVENT – March 31, 2025

Date/Time	Activity	People/Groups Involved
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Welcome Reception	All participants in Waterloo

AGENDA: DAY 1 – April 1, 2025

Date/Time	Activity	People/Groups Involved	Audience
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration and Networking / Breakfast	All	In-person attendees (virtual attendees can join the platform)
8:30 AM – 8:45 AM	Welcome Remarks	Paul Samson	In-person plenary; virtual
8:45 AM – 10:15 AM	Panel: Aligning G7 Priorities with Global Challenges: Taskforce Chairs and Co-chairs	Tracey Forrest, S. Yash Kalash, Patricia Fuller, Raquel Garbers, Task Force Co-Chairs	In-person plenary; virtual
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Health Break	All	In-person
10:30 AM – 12:45 PM	Concurrent Roundtables: Deep Dive into Task Force Policy Areas	Task Force Chairs, Co-Chairs, policy brief authors (virtual)	PRIVATE
	Global Think Tanks: Views on the World in 2025	ADBI, IDOS, ISPI, IAI, others TBC (virtual)	In-person plenary; virtual
	<i>Separate rooms provided for each Task Force</i>		
12:45 PM – 2:00 PM	Lunch Break	All	In-person
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Interactive Panel: Global Solutions to Global AI Challenges	Moderated by: Duncan Cass-Beggs, speakers TBC	In-person plenary; virtual
3:30 PM – 5:15 PM	Sustainable Energy in a Digital World	TBC	In-person plenary; virtual
5:15 PM – 5:30 PM	Day 1 Remarks and Planning for Day 2	Paul Samsons and Yash Kalash	In-person plenary; virtual

5:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Reception and Dinner	Special Keynote Address; all	In-person; Keynote
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AGENDA: DAY 2 – April 2, 2025

Date/Time	Activity	People/Groups Involved	Audience
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Networking and Breakfast	All	In-person attendees (virtual attendees can join the platform)
8:30 AM – 10:30 AM <i>Separate rooms provided for each Task Force</i>	Task Force Working Sessions: Refine Policy Recommendations and Identify Key Priorities for the T7 Communiqué	Task Force Chairs and Co-Chairs	PRIVATE
	Panel: Fair Data Economy Task Force Findings	Project Liberty	In-person; virtual
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Roundtable: Digital Infrastructure Solutions to Advance Data Agency - How can governments catalyse positive innovation for a Fair Data Economy?	Speakers from GSI and Project Liberty	In-person; virtual
11.30 AM – 12:30 PM	Final Plenary: Presentation of Task Force Recommendations, T7 Communiqué	Task Force Chairs, Co- Chairs	In-person plenary; virtual
12:30 PM – 12:45 PM	Closing Comments from Government of Canada	Government of Canada	In-person plenary; virtual
12:45 PM – 1:30 PM	Networking Lunch (Optional)	All	In-person