



INAUGURAL RECEPTION

INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH NETWORK

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The Digital Economist to Launch the Institutional Research Network at Davos 2026

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The Digital Economist will formally launch its Institutional Research Network at an inaugural reception in Davos during the Annual Meetings on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, convening a select group of global institutions, senior executives, and research partners at a pivotal moment for the global economy.

The Institutional Research Network (IRN) has been created to bring leading organizations into a standing collaboration focused on governance, market design, and economic coordination, as artificial intelligence, climate transition, geopolitics, and financial systems continue to reshape how power and value are organized worldwide. The Network connects policy-relevant research with institutional decision-making across capital markets, technology, and public governance, creating a durable platform for shaping the next generation of global economic frameworks.

The Inaugural Reception marks the founding of this platform, which will operate across major global forums including Davos, the United Nations General Assembly, and Climate Week, enabling institutions to engage continuously in the development of shared economic and governance architectures.

“The Institutional Research Network is a platform for institutions that want to lead responsibly in a world being rewritten by technology, climate, and geopolitics,” says Navroop Sahdev, Founder and CEO of The Digital Economist. “It brings the organizations that hold real economic and systems-level influence into a collaborative space where ideas become design and leadership becomes action.”

The evening will feature opening remarks from the Founder and CEO, the Executive Director of the Center of Excellence for a Human-Centered Global Economy, and the Global Head of Engagement and Ecosystem Innovation at The Digital Economist, outlining the purpose, scope, and long-term role of the Network.

“Launching the Institutional Research Network in Davos amplifies the work that The Digital Economist has led for years and reflects the role this moment plays in shaping global systems,” said Ambriel Pouncy, the Global Head of Engagement & Ecosystem Innovation at The Digital Economist. “The IRN exists to ensure that the ideas and priorities surfaced here translate into sustained institutional engagement across governance, markets, and policy forums.”

Attendance at the Inaugural Reception is by invitation and is curated for senior leaders from institutions with substantial global, market, and operational influence, reflecting the scale of responsibility required to participate in long-term economic and governance design.

The Institutional Research Network establishes a new layer of institutional collaboration — one that connects research, capital, policy, and execution in the service of a more coherent, human-centered global economy.

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