Global Industry Organizations Roundtable (GIO)
Terms of Reference (Release 1.0)

Definition of GIO:

The GIO Roundtable (shortened to "GIO") is an environment for discussion and open exchange amongst global industry organizations involved in digital transformation and ICT.[①]

Motivators for the GIO:

The expected impact of digital transformation will present both opportunities and challenges to many industry organizations. It is important to share experience in order to accelerate the common response from peer industry organisations through the use of an open discussion platform working in an effective and sustainable manner.

Vision:

Collaborating for Digital Economy Growth, Building a Better Intelligent World.

Mission:

The GIO seeks to promote the digital transformation of multiple industries, including the ICT industry, by facilitating cooperation between relevant impacted global industry organizations. It seeks to provide multiple 'enablers' that will smooth the way for increased global productivity and services through the deployment of scalable and interoperable digital technologies.

Value proposition:

The GIO is an environment where industry organisations can meet, share views, discuss challenges and consider means of cooperation on topics of common interest. It pursues its work in a complementary manner to that of the participating organizations by facilitating:

- **Cross industries collaboration:** Identify breakpoints and challenges in business and technology and provide a forum for discussing (and potentially resolving) issues of common interest.
- **Cross technologies collaboration:** Explore how information, communications, operations and production technologies can collaborate efficiently to jointly realize value creation.

[①] The GIO is not a legal entity nor a business alliance. The GIO does not develop standards nor intellectual property. The GIO has no conflict of interest with the participating industry organizations.

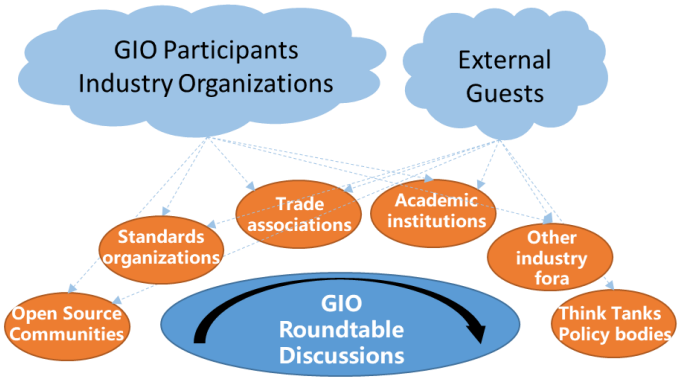
- **Cross "industry direction-setting" collaboration:** Explore synergies between major methods of industry development such as policy making, trade association, standards definition, and open source.

Benefits:

- **Information exchange:** Sharing best practices, insights and experience relating to digital transformation across multiple industries and regions. This may include cross education between different industry organisations.
- **Resource sharing:** Where appropriate, encourage resource sharing among industry organizations in order to accelerate the industry and avoid unnecessary overlap.
- **Open cooperation:** Where appropriate, communicate and coordinate on specific activities to improve the efficiency of industry development.
- **Consensus development:** Act as a vehicle to gain consensus between participating industry organizations and reach win-win collaboration.

Characteristics:

- **Open:** Open to all industrial organizations willing to promote digital transformation.
- **Equal:** Within the GIO, all participating organizations have equal rights.
- **Global:** Encourage organizations from multiple industries and different regions to share ideas.
- **Lightweight:** Provide a simple, light and agile environment where organizations may jointly discuss industry perspectives.

Participation:

Any kind of industry organizations including: SDOs; Industry Shaping Fora; Open Source Communities; Vertical and Cross Verticals Alliances; policy making bodies; etc., are welcome to participate in the GIO. All participants will aim to support the GIO's mission by contributing to GIO activities and hosting GIO meetings as appropriate. New industry organizations are encouraged to join the GIO, and their participation should be proposed by an existing GIO participant organisation.