

2026 GLOBAL SUMMIT OF WOMEN

Women: Building Bridges to a Bold Tomorrow

Istanbul, Türkiye

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The premier business and economic forum for women globally since 1990

Global Summit of Women

Held annually for over three decades, the Global Summit of Women brings together over 1,000 women leaders, CEOs and executives, entrepreneurs, business NGOs and government officials from more than 60 countries under the common vision of dramatically expanding women's economic opportunities globally.



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What the Summit Does:

- Expand women's economic literacy with the latest market/technology trends;
- Enhance women's experience of 'global' through experts from all continents and the delegates they meet;
- Promote cross-border alliances through BtoB forums and organized networking;
- Inspire achievement through role models from every corner of the world;
- Improve leadership skills, enterprise growth and tech savvy through numerous sessions at each Summit.







2026 Summit: Building Bridges to a Bold Tomorrow

The theme of the 2026 Summit, echoes
Turkiye's unique role as a bridge between
Europe and Asia, while reflecting the
need to unite amidst geopolitical and
technology disruptions.



Convening CEOs on Strategies Promoting Gender Equity

The Summit annually spotlights innovative solutions and best practices from leading male and women CEOs.











Convening Government Leaders on Public/ Private Sector Partnerships Advancing Women

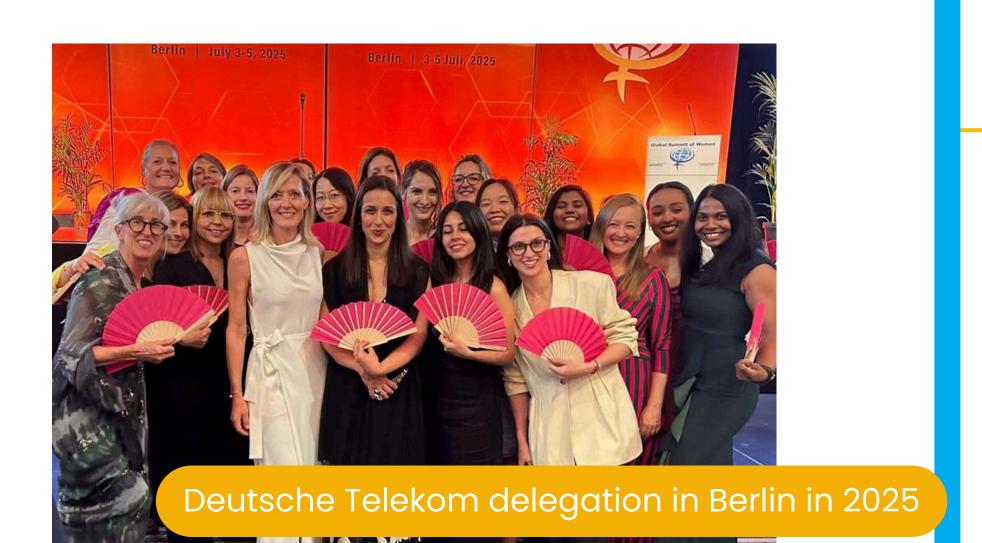


Ministerial Roundtable in Berlin in 2025



Presidents of Finland, Malta, and Kyrgyzstan at 2014 Summit in Paris

Bringing together influential women leaders, businesses, and policymakers to build partnerships, foster investment, and create opportunities across emerging and established markets.







Convening Corporate Delegations and Entrepreneurial Organizations to Explore Global Markets

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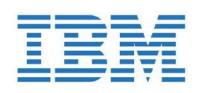
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US Delegation in Chile in 2009



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