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One Vision – Many Voices

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Speakers and VIPs Dinner Reception

- The WWRF-hosted dinner at Big Chefs brought together **45 leading experts and distinguished speakers** for an engaging evening of insightful discussions on the future of **6G and wireless connectivity through 2030 and beyond**.
- The evening provided a valuable platform for **meaningful conversations, new connections, and the exchange of ideas**, fostering a shared vision for a more connected, innovative, and sustainable future.



Huddle in Numbers

Participants
340

Speakers
45

**Registered
Delegates**
460

**Countries
Represented**
45

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WWRF Huddle 2026 Summary

WWRF Huddle 2026, held on **16–17 September 2026** at Medipol University, Istanbul, Türkiye, brought together global experts from industry, academia, government, regulators and international organisations to discuss the future of **6G and intelligent, sustainable networks**.

Across two days, discussions focused on **6G standards and roadmaps, AI and advanced technologies, security and trust, spectrum and policy, satellite integration, and practical use cases** in health, education, transportation and aerospace. The Huddle highlighted the importance of **global collaboration, inclusive connectivity, early spectrum planning and sustainable innovation** in shaping the next generation of wireless networks.

One Vision – Many Voices reflected the Huddle's central message: turning the global 6G vision into practical impact through collaboration and innovation.

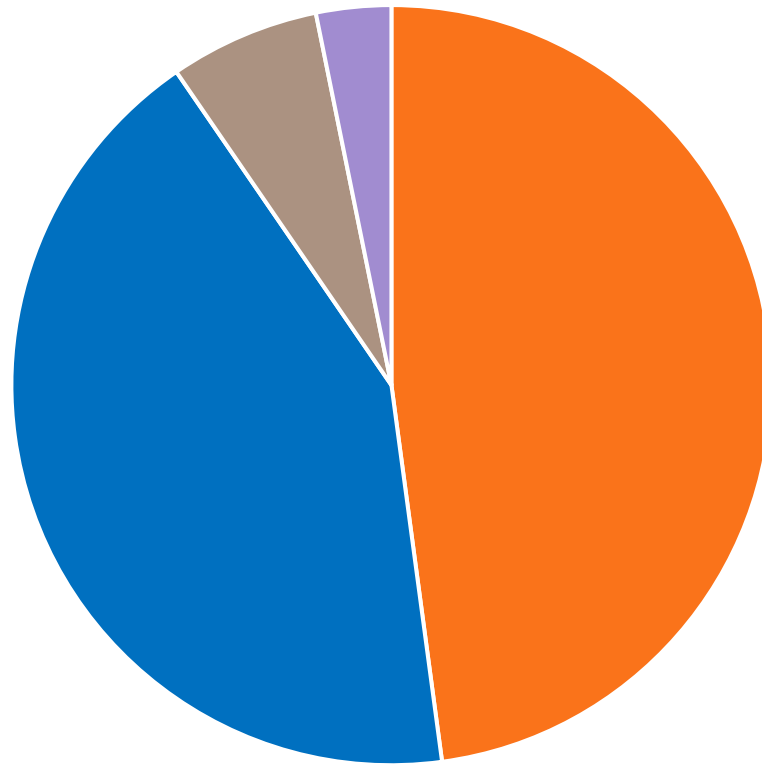
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Romania	Greece	Australia
Canada	Thailand	Jordan
India	Sweden	Jordan
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■ University / Academic

■ Industry / Company

■ Government / Public Sector

■ Association / NGO / Forum

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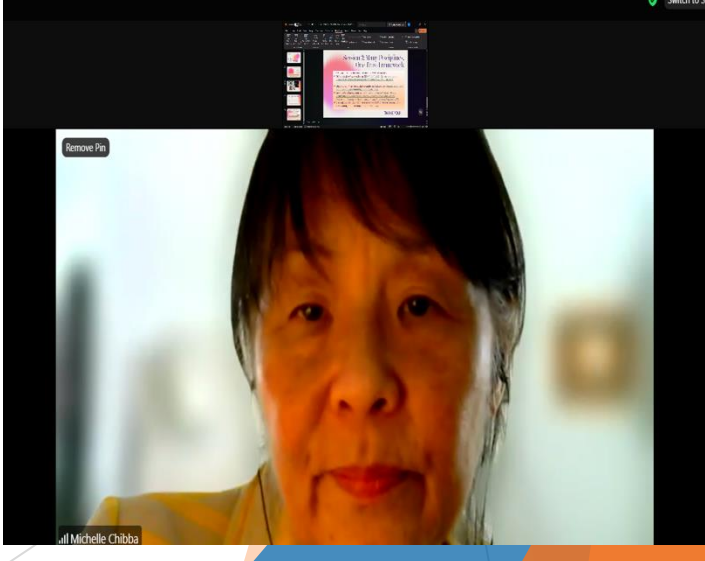


One Vision- Many Voices in Pictures



Day-1 Glimpses





Day-2 Glimpses



Mini Huddles Glimpses



Speakers



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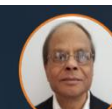
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Pictures and Presentations

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