Machine Intelligence for Society and for all Sciences

GYA Annual General Meeting and International Conference of Young Scientists

📍 Bremen, Germany

30 June - 3 July 2026

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GYA 2026 AGM in Bremen

Welcome to the 2026 GYA AGM Ticker series. These newsletters are your primary source for all essential updates as we get closer to the GYA's most important event in 2026. From saving the date and registering to learning about travel, venue details, co-funding opportunities, and all the programme highlights, each Ticker will guide you through the planning process. Stay tuned, and let's get ready for Bremen!

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Make sure to check out the preliminary programme.
We will update it regularly:

AGM and Conference
Programme 2026

A short introduction

The 2026 GYA Annual General Meeting (AGM) and International Conference of Young Scientists will take place from 30 June to 3 July 2026, with a pre-

Conference workshop for new members planned from 28 to 29 June 2026 (pending funding confirmation), at Constructor University, in Bremen, Germany.

The 2026 International Conference of Young Scientists will focus on "**Machine Intelligence for Society and Sciences**." Plenary panels will address the topics:

- AI at the Core of Disciplinary Foundations in the Humanities and Social Sciences
- Accelerating Discovery: AI's Transformative Role in Natural Sciences and Engineering
- AI Governance for a Shared Future: Science, Policy, and Global Equity

AGM sessions throughout the week provide space to collaborate and initiate projects and develop the GYA as an organization.

Registration is open

To participate in the AGM and Conference in person, GYA members and alumni can now register here. Registration is open from 16 February through 30 April 2026:

Member/Alumni Registration

Passcode (we kindly ask you not to share with anyone outside the GYA):
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Please note that registration is required for on-site participation.

Research Talks

In Research Talks sessions, GYA members and alumni share their research and expertise with one another; in short, engaging presentations (around 3-4 minutes). The format aims to showcase the incredible diversity of research within the GYA community and inspire collaboration. Research Talks should clearly communicate your work and its impact in an accessible way for an interdisciplinary audience.

This year, the GYA is also planning a Falling Walls Lab – a science pitching competition – more information on the Research Talks page coming soon! Make use of this opportunity to practice effective science communication and connect with fellow researchers—Read more here and submit your abstract:

Your Research Talk: Sign up

Once you have submitted an abstract, the GYA Office will send you an individual invitation letter including the title of your talk (approx. 5 days processing time).

Schengen Visa for Germany

We have put together an overview of information about the visa process and requirements for you. It will give you the first steps, so we highly recommend reading here first:

Travel & Visa

If you need a visa invitation letter, you can request it from the GYA Office via this form (allow up to 10 days for processing):
AGM 2026: Request an invitation letter for your visa application
password: **agm2026visa** (for GYA-internal use only)

Important to know: Visa fees (90 EUR) may be waived for researchers attending scientific conferences (EU Directive 2016/801). Check visa requirements at the page above and consult the German Federal Foreign Office for more information.

Travel Co-Funding

GYA Members and Alumni-plus institutionally based in ODA-recipient countries who have not been successful in finding other funding sources can apply for GYA travel co-funding to attend the AGM. Co-funding can cover up to 70% of travel and visa costs.

Furthermore, funded accommodation (shared twin room) for up to five nights may be provided to GYA Members and Alumni-plus from all countries who indicated their need via the co-funding application form.

Funds are limited and awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given to the 2026 cohort of incoming members. Applications will be accepted between early/mid-March and 12 April 2026 and processed in clusters, so we advise applying early to increase your chances. We will send

you an e-mail when applications for co-funding open – this will happen as soon as possible, pending funding confirmations.

Travel

Constructor University (CU) is on the outskirts of Bremen, a medium-sized city in the city-state of Bremen in northern Germany. We've provided overviews and tips on how to travel to Bremen and the CU campus, here: Travel & Visa - Annual General Meeting and International Conference

Accommodation

Information on co-funded accommodation and self-booking options at the Constructor University (CU) campus, or in nearby hotels, is available on our AGM website. Venue and Accommodation - Annual General Meeting and International Conference

Explore Bremen

Bremen is a historic Hanseatic port city in Northern Germany, with a vibrant cultural scene and iconic landmarks like the Bremen Town Musicians statue (from the Brothers Grimm fairy tale) and the Schnoor Quarter, a maze of narrow streets lined with medieval houses. Find out more here: https://www.bremen.eu/
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Connect through Mattermost

Connect with fellow GYA members and alumni on Mattermost to chat about preparations, share ideas, and stay updated on all things AGM. Join the discussion today. The dedicated channel is this one:

https://mm.globalyoung.academy/global-young-academy/channels/agm

More updates will follow in the next Tickers! And don't forget to bookmark the AGM website - https://agm.globalyoungacademy.net - which hosts past Tickers and all practical information.

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