



Annual Report 2025



Meedan

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Midan Talaat Harb is a historic square located in central Cairo. Named for the Egyptian economist Talaat Harb, the square and surrounding area showcase a rich array of architectural styles from the era of colonial rule to independent statehood, reflecting Egypt’s multilayered historic and cultural identity.

Photos by Tamer Adel (cover) and Suzuki Kaku (Right).



Executive summary

Since our founding in 2006, Meedan has worked with communities around the world to promote information equity online, primarily by building open source software tools that embody our values and goals. We also conduct and codesign original research, coordinate and facilitate training and networking opportunities, and develop information resources to further advance our vision of a more equitable internet.

A year of change

In the early months of 2025, our sector faced unprecedented political and financial headwinds that forced us, alongside many of our allies in civil society, to reconsider our strategy for impact. This exercise surfaced two key challenges. First, the rise of generative AI, in the form of commercial chatbots like ChatGPT, is further entrenching many of the inequities and harms that we have long sought to counter in our work. Second, the ecosystem that has long supported our field has drastically diminished in scale and scope.

We came to the realization that what is largely a technological problem will require a technological solution. And so we set out to build an open source alternative to commercial AI chatbots, and to bring that software to market, in order to help sustain our work. This report offers a snapshot of how we built Suwali, our novel AI-powered tool that enables independent media and civil society organizations to serve their communities with their own trusted content, at scale.

Leadership transition

Throughout this time, we also stayed closely attuned to global developments sustaining support for dozens of partner organizations across the Larger World, working on issues ranging from democracy and human rights to gender-based violence online. In November, we embarked on a new era for Meedan's leadership, bidding farewell to founding CEO Ed Bice and welcoming the appointment of Dr. Dima Saber to lead the organization as our new executive director.

Sustaining information equity across the globe

Throughout 2025, we continued our work as a core grantee of the Swedish International Development Agency, facilitating programmatic initiatives and direct support for 68 partner organizations across Latin America and the Caribbean, sub-Saharan Africa, the Asia-Pacific region, and North Africa and Western Asia.

Unique users of Check, our fact-checking platform:	143,631
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Larger World journalists supported:	2,903
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Partner organizations:	79
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Languages our partners operate in:	48
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Dr. Dima Saber speaking on a panel at the 2026 Skoll World Forum.
Photo by David Fisher Photography, courtesy of Skoll.

A note from our executive director

As I write this, my first annual report note as Meedan’s executive director, I want to begin by acknowledging our current moment. In 2025, the need for independent, community-owned information infrastructure grew more urgent while the institutional appetite for funding it quietly contracted. The organizations set up to defend our collective freedoms are not just feeling the squeeze – they are fighting for survival.

This retreat from information integrity is not incidental. It reflects a broader realignment of political will, philanthropic priorities, and spaces in which we’re permitted to ask hard questions.

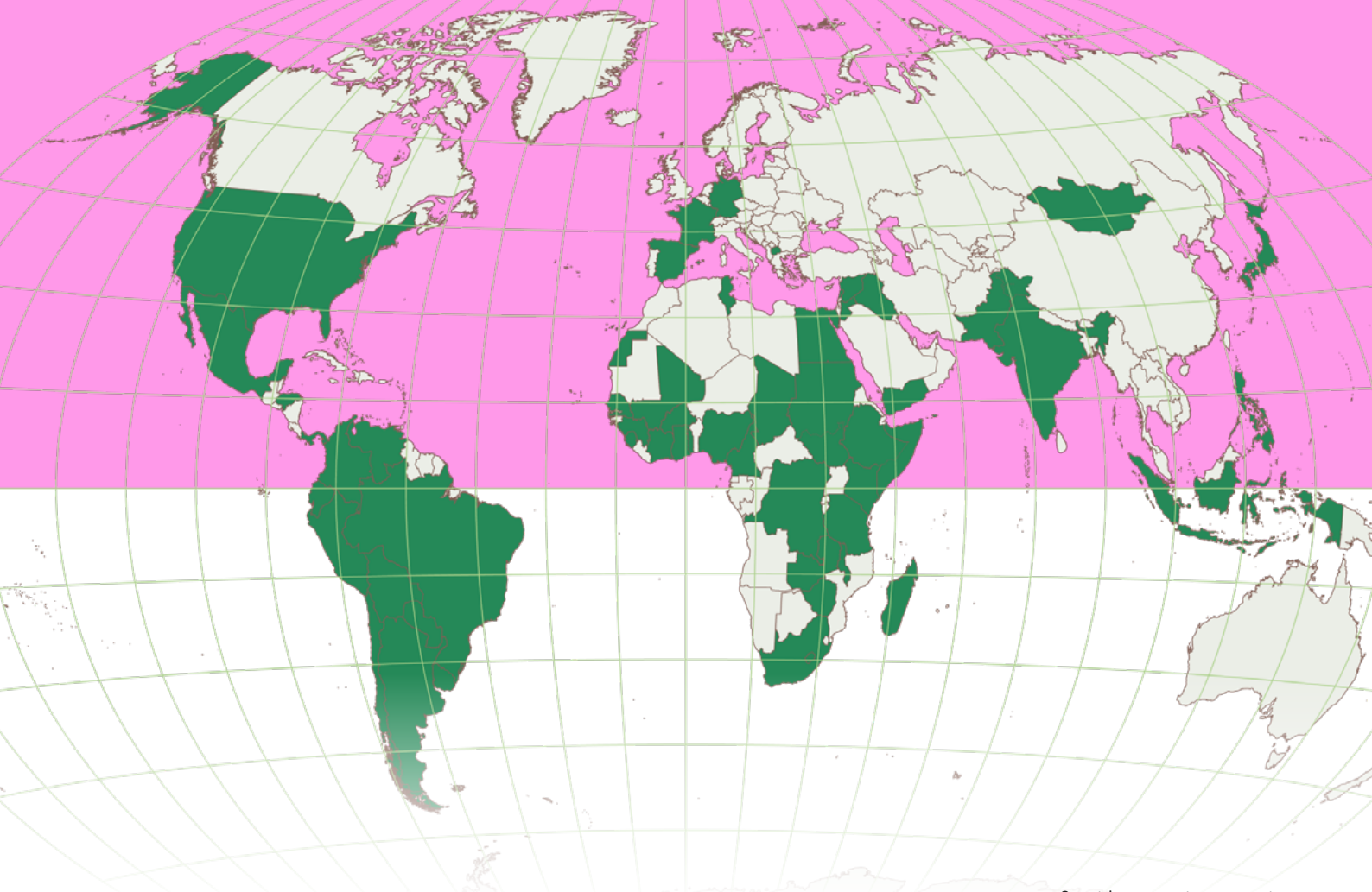
In this context, we chose to build. Through 2025, our entire team oriented around a single priority: developing Suwali, an AI-powered conversational tool designed to help journalists and civil society organizations meet their audiences where they already are and in the languages they speak. By the end of the year, we were testing it with pilot partners across Egypt, India, Lebanon, and the United States. In April 2026, we launched it publicly alongside the Skoll World Forum. We also reimagined our financial resilience as a form of resistance. To persevere beyond the present moment, we are

building toward a sustainable hybrid model that combines trust-based philanthropic partnerships, mission-aligned investment, and a tiered licensing structure for Suwali that will help us to sustain the work of our organization in the longer term.

And we redesigned. Our new brand identity, developed collaboratively over months of internal and external research, reflects an organization that is evolving ever more fully into its founding principles.

None of this would be possible without the team that builds and sustains Meedan across 13 countries and 10 time zones. For many of us, the contexts we work in are not abstract. They are the active war zones where families and friends live, the countries where partners operate under surveillance, and the places where the information ecosystems we are trying to protect are actively under attack. To every Meedani on our team: Thank you for showing up to do this work with rigor and with care. To our partners who trusted us with their communities and pushed us to do better: Thank you for the gift of codesigning and collaboration. And we thank our funders, whose continued commitment in a difficult landscape makes the difference between work that endures and work that doesn’t. As we look ahead, we take none of this for granted.

Dr. Dima Saber
Executive director



Mapping our impact

● Countries our partners operate in. For the full list of our partners, see [page 23](#) →

Latin America and the Caribbean

Partners	23
Countries	13

In 2025, Latin America faced rising far-right politics, growing attacks on independent media, worsening migration and climate pressures, and increasing Big Tech monopolization — all of which weakened information ecosystems and fueled disinformation. In this context, we focused on strengthening hyperlocal media to help rebuild and sustain public trust and collaborated with groups that work alongside vulnerable communities to address harmful content online.

Sub-Saharan Africa

Partners	10
Countries	24

In 2025, our partners in sub-Saharan Africa operated in countries grappling with conflict-driven displacement, acute food insecurity, entrenched poverty, and significant technological inequity, with more than half of the continent’s population lacking basic internet access. On top of it all, these issues were compounded by levels of corruption that undermined economic stability and eroded public trust. Our partnerships supported election integrity work and strengthened fact-checking initiatives.

North Africa and Western Asia

Partners	12
Countries	9

In North Africa and Western Asia, our work has directly responded to several escalating crises affecting our partners’ environments. In 2025, we prioritized human rights, climate resilience, and women’s rights, and we strengthened the institutional and financial positioning of independent newsrooms operating in conflict zones and under rising pressure from authoritarian regimes.

The Asia-Pacific region

Partners	23
Countries	6

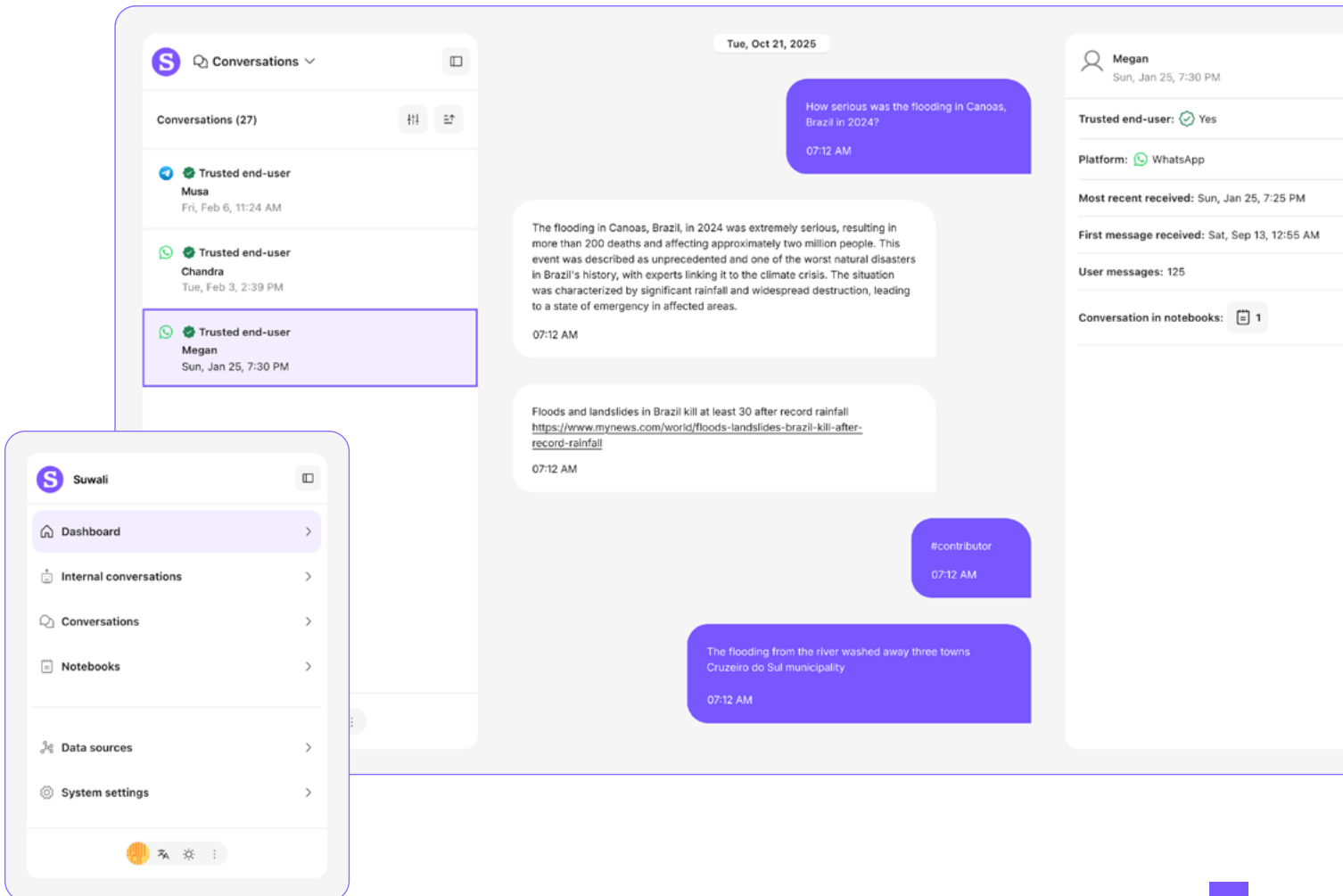
Shrinking development funding, shifting platform policies, and rising authoritarianism all contributed to significant impediments that restricted funding access for our partners in the Asia-Pacific region. We provided targeted and institutional support to sustain efforts in independent journalism, fact-checking, and media literacy. Through our partnerships, we strengthened digital rights advocacy and built capacity for addressing gender-based violence.



AI-powered chat for mission-driven organizations

The advent of generative AI has swept in a new era for seeking information online, one in which news outlets — especially those with limited resources — find themselves suddenly less connected to their audiences. As AI search summaries and chat-based tools approach ubiquity, many of our partners have seen their traffic dry up. When their audiences seek important information, they're diverted to conversational exchanges with Big Tech products that are too often misguided — or worse, misleading. And we know that the most popular commercial products weren't built with our partners' languages, cultures, or communities in mind.

In 2025, this is what drove our team to focus our resources on building Suwali, an AI-powered conversational tool for journalists and civil society organizations across the Larger World. With a name that evokes curiosity through both the Swahili word “swali” (“question”) and the Arabic “sou’ali” (“my question”), we plan to make our intentions unmistakable. Our first platform of focus is WhatsApp, but support is already available for Telegram too, and Suwali is now live in Arabic, English, French, Hindi, Portuguese, and Spanish.





Photographs from Meedan’s pilot partner workshop
 ↑ Nighat Dad, Tom Trewinnard, and Abhilash Mallick
 → Doreen Toutikian, Omgyno



Pilot partners put Suwali to the test

By the end of 2025, we launched a pilot program to help us explore how Suwali performs, both technically and editorially, in real-world scenarios. We invited six groups to contribute to this effort.

These partners operate across Egypt, Lebanon, India, and the U.S., engaging with audiences in Arabic, Hindi, and English. Using Suwali, they’ve been able to respond to audience questions with their own verified content, in their preferred languages, and within the messaging platforms they already use.

Pilot partners have worked closely with Meedan’s product team to contribute content and share continuous feedback. Their needs helped inform strategic decisions and advance our development of the tool, while also helping us learn more about key challenges we need to address, such as improving the performance of large language models and retrieval-augmented generation in Arabic and Hindi. In addition, the pilot partner cohort continues to surface new revenue generation pathways that Suwali could unlock.

Suwali pilot partners:

Deep South Today (US)

Al Manassa (Egypt)



Epicenter NYC (US)

Omgyno (Lebanon)



The Healthy Indian Project (India)

The Quint (India)



Meedan are prescient in our field. Their vision of community-driven, AI-powered newsrooms can power a new era in local news when it is desperately needed.

— Quinn McKew, Meedan board member

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Rigorous evaluation

Ahead of deployment, every AI system must be evaluated to ensure that it meets or exceeds a clear set of standards for accuracy and fairness. In the research community, there is no shortage of existing benchmarks for conducting evaluation. Yet current approaches do not typically incorporate the perspectives of Larger World communities and organizations. Furthermore, the most popular assessments do not reflect real-world use cases. Evaluation criteria often focus on static, disconnected models operating in isolation from wider contexts, even though most of the generative AI systems in use today can pull live information from the internet and other sources.

With these factors in mind, as we began to assess Suwali, our research team developed datasets in Brazilian Portuguese, Arabic, and Hindi. Each evaluation dataset consisted of a list of questions and a set of news articles that our team determined could be used to provide answers to those questions.

We fed that list of questions to Suwali, and then watched to see what results it provided. We assessed the quality of its answers by comparing them to original answers from our team and partners, and by taking note of which articles Suwali used to answer each question.

Overall, our evaluation identified a number of considerations that led to product improvements, including the techniques Suwali deploys for processing two-part questions. We've also been able to flag safety concerns and identify question categories that are out of scope for specific Suwali hubs.



Over 1,500 user questions collected through our platform made one thing clear: People want immediate, conversational answers in their own language – not articles to scroll through.... Generic AI tools consistently fail this audience because they lack cultural and contextual grounding and cannot refer users to local resources. Suwali is being built to fill that gap..

– Doreen Toutikian

Omgyno, Lebanon

Ongoing commitments to privacy

Our team also designed Suwali so that organizations using the tool could harness the benefits of generative AI while maintaining control over their data. What does that mean in practice? Members of our leadership team worked to answer that question for our community in the months leading up to Suwali's launch. Drawing inputs from engineering, product, research, and legal teams, we developed policy documentation that describes how Suwali processes information and personal data, how that data is stored and protected, and what rights we guarantee to all users of our software. This work resulted in a living FAQ page on suwali.io about data processing and privacy that we will continue to update as we develop product features and address known risks.

[Suwali data processing and privacy FAQ](#)



Key thematic focus areas

At Meedan, the creation of technology is never an end unto itself. It is always a means toward concrete action pursued in close coordination with partner organizations throughout the world. In 2025, our research, programs, and tools — specifically Check — supported the implementation of initiatives designed to promote democratic participation, push back against gender-based violence, advance climate justice, and elevate safety for journalists.

Promoting information access to support democracy and human rights

For more than a decade, Meedan has fostered access to trustworthy information for Larger World communities during important moments like elections. In 2025, we continued this work through partnerships with organizations in Latin America and the Asia-Pacific region. In Brazil, along with Aláfia Lab and Democracia em Xequê, Meedan and Pacto pela Democracia worked to jointly analyze data and develop a narrative handbook for countering disinformation in the lead-up to the 2026 election.



Meedan's support has been essential not only for its funding, but also for its proximity, transparency, and lack of bureaucracy, which strengthen our work in an uncertain scenario for local journalism in Latin America. Having [Meedan Senior Program Manager] Amaralina [Rodrigues Xavier] with us, an exceptional professional, makes a huge difference behind the scenes of our journalistic work.

— **Izabela Moi**

Agência Mural, Brazil



The Ecuador Young Fact-Checkers Network meets in Quito, photo courtesy of Lupa Media.

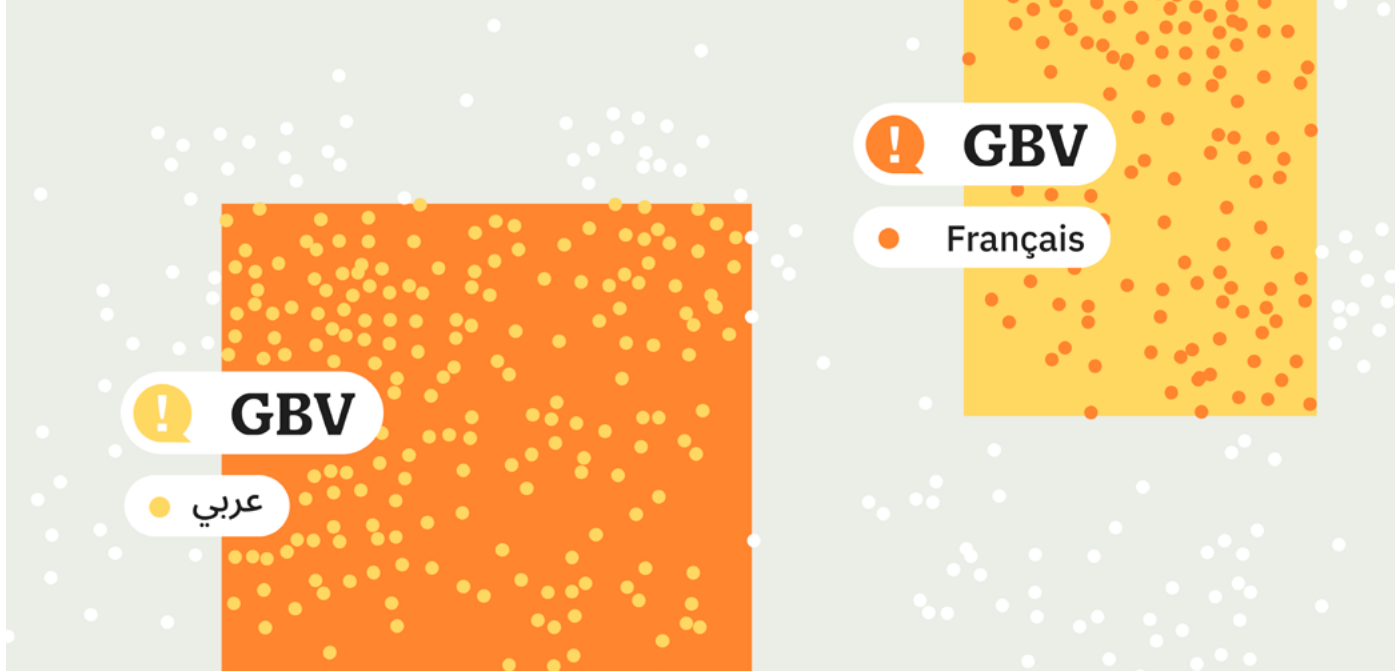
During Ecuador’s 2025 general elections, Meedan partnered with Ecuador Chequea and collaborated with Quito-based Lupa Media to facilitate the translation of fact-checks into Indigenous languages while also powering the development of media literacy content. In the Philippines, our partners at VERA Files and Tsek.ph tracked false narratives, ran disinformation awareness workshops, and operated Check tiplines to monitor mis- and disinformation targeting Filipino midterm voters. At the same time, our colleagues at Rappler produced an AI-powered election website and published more than 40 in-depth and investigative stories on the country’s dueling political dynasties.

We partnered with independent and investigative newsrooms working in some of North Africa and Western Asia’s most challenging contexts, including the Network of Iraqi Reporters for Investigative Journalism and Tunisia-based Nawaat. Support from Meedan also enabled The Public Source, a Beirut-based independent media platform, to build capacity for junior journalists, strengthen sustainability, and ensure the continuation of ethical and transparent reporting.



The emergency grant has been instrumental in not only achieving but exceeding our expected results during this critical period. It has enabled Nawaat to maintain its pivotal role in Tunisia’s media landscape, adapt to harsh realities, and reinforce its operational capacity. We remain highly satisfied with the outcomes and confident in the ongoing relevance of our work, particularly in contexts of political repression and limited media freedom.

– Sabrina Darragi
Nawaat, Tunisia



Can machine learning help stop gender-based violence online?



Identifying and defanging gender-based violence

In 2025, we supported partners around the world in their efforts to study, raise awareness about, and fight against gender-based violence, both on- and offline. We also spearheaded our own research efforts in this area.

Using Check-powered tiplines and scraping social media, our team members collected thousands of examples of gender-based violence online, alongside partners at the Jordan Open Source Association, the Kenya Internet and Communications Technology Action Network, and the Brain Builders Youth Development Initiative in Nigeria. The datasets and studies produced by these efforts are enabling our research team to build machine learning tools, such as AI classifiers, that can help us – and other groups in our field – get ahead of the issue.



While Big Tech platforms like X have retreated from taking these issues seriously, plenty of smaller platforms and forums struggle with gender-based violence and are eager for solutions. By publishing anonymized versions of our datasets and sharing our findings, we hope to help promote real solutions to these problems for online communities worldwide.

– Terry Zhang, research scientist
Meedan



Organizers screen a documentary and display the Jaimitna project, photos courtesy of Watching Western Sahara.



In Argentina, our colleagues at Ecofeminista pursued a data-driven research project using a Check-powered tipline to track gendered misinformation online.

And our partners at Watching Western Sahara presented a multimedia mobile art project called Jaimitna (“our tent”) at the United Nations Human Rights Council to share the stories of Sahrawi women engaged in resistance, attracting more than 2,000 visitors.



At a time when the Sahrawi people face unprecedented threats in their 50th year of illegal occupation and prolonged exile, Meedan is a critical partner in our quest to elevate Indigenous Sahrawi stories that challenge established narratives put forth by Morocco and its powerful Western allies, who seek to maintain Western Sahara under colonial rule.

— María Carrión
Watching Western Sahara

Social media impressions for Watching Western Sahara’s Jaimitna project:

918,000



The northern Syrian countryside in high summer, photo by CharlesFred (CC BY-NC-SA 2.0).

Climate reporting's missing middle

In North Africa and Western Asia (NAWA), we partnered with NAWA Media, Beam Reports, and Pax Memoria to identify and address the gap between climate-related news and information and the questions and conversations circulating in several news deserts and conflict-affected areas. Beam Reports surveyed more than 500 community members in Sudan using a comprehensive outreach strategy, including targeted social media engagement, newsletter promotion, influencer collaborations, and small-group discussions.

Pax Memoria worked with a small team of volunteer citizen scientists to survey 182 participants in Syria and 162 in Yemen. In addition, their textual analysis of climate-related social media posts revealed that media coverage is dominated by visible disasters, leaving deeper explorations into the data behind large-scale climate change, as well as its causes and solutions, underexplored.

Survey respondents expressed a strong interest in learning about these causes and solutions, revealing a clear information gap. A report from the project concluded that the local media ecosystem suffers from what might be called a missing middle — the crucial context that links scientific studies with stories of everyday experience. We have begun scoping a follow-up initiative through which Pax Memoria would develop and disseminate information that fills the identified gaps in local knowledge.

**Social media posts about water scarcity
analyzed by Pax Memoria**

212,000

Check by the numbers

Across many of our projects in 2025, our flagship fact-checking and annotation platform, Check, provided critical infrastructure for our partners.

Languages and
dialects supported:

34

Active tiplines:

58

Unique users:

143,631

Conversations between
fact-checkers and audiences:

526,910

Enhancing journalists' safety in the Larger World

In 2025, we launched plans for a fund that will help Larger World journalists respond to the rising risks of digital harms. In collaboration with independent media organizations, we began this process by organizing a series of consultations with newsroom partners and digital rights practitioners. We worked with ARTICLE 19 México y Centroamérica, the Peru-based Instituto Prensa y Sociedad, the Nigeria-based Paradigm Initiative for Information Technology Development, and Sifr and SMEX, both of Beirut, to convene newsroom leaders on the sidelines of preeminent regional journalism and digital rights conferences. We also held virtual consultations on journalist safety with EngageMedia, Asosiasi Media Siber Indonesia, and the Asia program of the Committee to Protect Journalists.

Participants in these sessions highlighted challenges ranging from basic online safety to more complex digital threats, including spyware, AI-generated misinformation, and surveillance tactics. In particular, our colleagues identified freelancers as a uniquely vulnerable group across several regions, due to their lack of institutional support and limited legal protections. Our consultations also made it clear that one-off training sessions are not a sufficient solution to these myriad challenges. There is a strong need for ongoing, contextualized, and localized support, accompanied by regular follow-ups. In 2026, our efforts will focus on providing core support for our partners, embedding security experts directly in newsrooms, and offering specialized training sessions for the most vulnerable groups.



Research initiatives

In line with our Suwali priorities, a substantial proportion of Meedan’s research in 2025 focused on understanding how to effectively and accurately evaluate generative AI systems, including contributing to a systematic review exploring how established large language model (LLM) benchmarks stack up against the thorny phenomena they’re meant to assess, a concept known as construct validity. In the process, we created a list of recommendations to ensure proper construct validity for a given benchmark. This study was published at NeurIPS 2025, a top machine learning conference.

Measuring what Matters: Construct Validity in Large Language Model Benchmarks

NeurIPS 2025 Datasets and Benchmarks Track



Within Suwali, we employ the LLM-as-a-judge approach — a common tactic for evaluating generative AI systems — to decide in real time whether a proposed answer is of sufficient quality. Our paper at the NeurIPS 2025 LLM Evaluation Workshop explored LLM-as-a-judge performance in multilingual and multimodal settings.

Evaluating LLM-as-a-Judge under Multilingual, Multimodal and Multi-domain Constraints

NeurIPS 2025 LLM Evaluation Workshop Poster



In other publications this year, we demonstrated that multilingual capabilities do not equate to multicultural understanding, and we advocated for learning more about the safety impacts of people’s relationships with AI models.

Multilingual != Multicultural: Evaluating Gaps Between Multilingual Capabilities and Cultural Alignment in LLMs

ACL Anthology 2025



Why human–AI relationships need socioaffective alignment

Humanities and Social Sciences Communications 2025



Finally, in a study that went on to win an Outstanding Paper Award at the annual conference of the Association for Computational Linguistics, we contributed to research illustrating how academic datasets differ from real-world hate speech. We also investigated how misinformation spreads across languages, and we built methods for better identifying repeated misinformation claims that have been modified and altered over time.

HateDay: Insights from a Global Hate Speech Dataset Representative of a Day on Twitter

Winner: Outstanding Paper Award, ACL 2025



Lost in translation: using global fact-checks to measure multilingual misinformation prevalence, spread, and evolution

EPJ Data Science



When Claims Evolve: Evaluating and Enhancing the Robustness of Embedding Models Against Misinformation Edits

ACL 2025



Additional research publications

Scaling language model size yields diminishing returns for single-message political persuasion

PNAS Nexus



Into the Crossfire: Evaluating the Use of a Language Model to Crowdfund Gun Violence Reports

Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction





Meedan Director of Impact Ellery Roberts Biddle moderates a panel at the International Journalism Festival, photo by Ascanio Pepe (CC BY-ND 4.0).

Events and conferences

Throughout the year, several team members from Meedan participated in major global conferences and events focused on our core issues.

GlobalFact 12

Rio de Janeiro
June 25-27

Director of Research Dr. Scott A. Hale spoke on a panel about Meta's divestment from fact-checking. Senior Program Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean Amaralina Rodrigues Xavier also attended.

RightsCon 2025

Taipei, Taiwan
Feb. 24-27

Representatives from Meedan hosted a preconference session on impact assessment for researching harmful content online and contributed to panel discussions on information integrity in Gaza and gendered disinformation during elections.

Association for Computational Linguistics

Vienna
July 27 to Aug. 1

Director of Research Dr. Scott A. Hale published two papers at the association's annual conference. The paper on hate speech across multiple languages and countries won an Outstanding Paper Award.

International Journalism Festival

Perugia, Italy
April 9-13

CEO Ed Bice spoke at a featured panel on threats facing fact-checkers. Director of Impact Ellery Roberts Biddle moderated a panel on climate coverage and human rights issues.

Forum on Internet Freedom in Africa 2025

Windhoek, Namibia
Sept. 24-26

Partner Solutions Manager Ivy Njoki hosted a side event in partnership with the Nigeria-based digital rights organization Paradigm Initiative, bringing together 16 journalists from across Africa to discuss threats to reporters' safety on the continent.



Meedan's Jéssica Gomes gives a talk at Media Party, photo courtesy of Jéssica Gomes.

Media Party

Buenos Aires, Argentina
Oct. 2-4

Customer Success and Quality Assurance Associate Jéssica Gomes gave a lightning talk that included a preview of Suwali.

Bread&Net '25

Beirut
Oct. 29-31

Senior Program Manager for North Africa and Western Asia Haramoun Hamieh and Executive Director Dr. Dima Saber facilitated consultations alongside Sifr in parallel with Bread&Net. The consultations were focused on safety and digital security for journalists in the region and were attended by representatives from 12 newsrooms and media organizations.

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Conferencia Latinoamericana de Periodismo de Investigación

Buenos Aires, Argentina
Nov. 5-9

Senior Program Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean Amaralina Rodrigues Xavier hosted a consultation on journalists' safety at this conference of investigative journalists from throughout the region.

Megaweek

Toronto
Oct. 20-23

Meedan Research Scientist Terry Zhang presented and solicited feedback about our research design for dataset collection related to technology-facilitated gender-based violence.

Mozilla Festival 2025

Barcelona, Spain
Nov. 7-9

Director of Engineering Caio Almeida, Director of Research Dr. Scott A. Hale, and Executive Director Dr. Dima Saber officially introduced Suwali to the global community at MozFest. Dr. Saber also gave a talk on ethical AI and building feminist coalitions alongside Omgyno's Doreen Toutikian.

Operations and culture



One of our key priorities in 2025 was to maintain structural stability during a time of significant transformation for our top-level leadership.

Core team members: **39**

Countries: **13**

Time zones: **10**



Board of directors

Our board remained steadfast in its support for our team throughout the year. We wish to acknowledge the notable departure of our longtime friend and ally Maria Ressa, whom we thank for her years of service.

Ed Bice
Founder, Meedan

Quinn McKew
Executive director,
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Jon Corshen
Founder and chief innovation
officer, Pilot44

Julie Owono
Executive director, Internet
Sans Frontières

Lea Endres
Co-founder and CEO,
NationBuilder

Leah Wang
Senior vice president, data
and analytics, Formedics

Toward collaborative leadership

We implemented several structural changes this year to help facilitate a more lateral approach to decision-making. Following research from the operations team, recommendations were delivered to the leadership of the organization, and several improvements were implemented, including a decision to retire C-suite designations in favor of director-level titles.

Meedan's design evolution, Illustrating the future

As Meedan's leadership and technology evolved this year, we knew our brand and identity would have to keep up. After months of internal interviews, external research, sketching, and feedback, we updated our brand for the latter half of the 2020s and beyond. This is perhaps nowhere more evident than in Meedan's latest logo, which was unveiled at the start of 2026 and created by Senior Graphic Designer Kipp Jones.



Made of two interlocking scripts, the image is intended to evoke language, hyperlinks, and ultimately, the various pathways we all chart independently but that eventually merge together into vast knowledge networks.

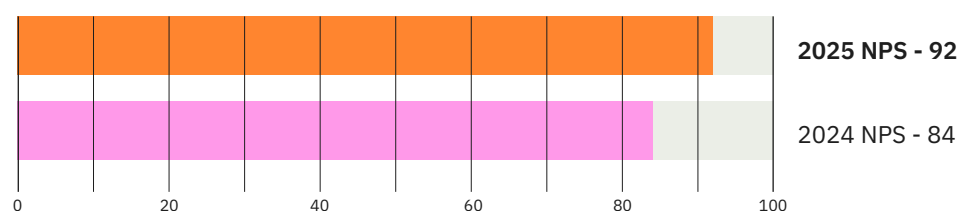


Left: Business card front
Centre: Larger world report cover
Right: Holiday card front

Team survey

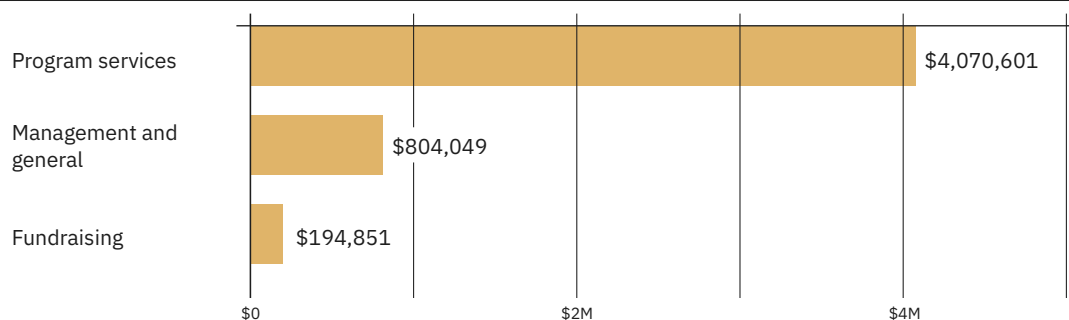
In our seventh consecutive year of administering a team engagement survey, we achieved a **92% response rate** from the team. Our employee net promoter score (NPS) is one of the most important metrics we monitor from this survey. On a scale of -100 to 100, this number is derived from employees' answers to the question, "How likely are you to recommend Meedan as a place to work?"

This year, **our NPS was 92**, an exceptional score and an improvement from 2024's already strong showing (84).



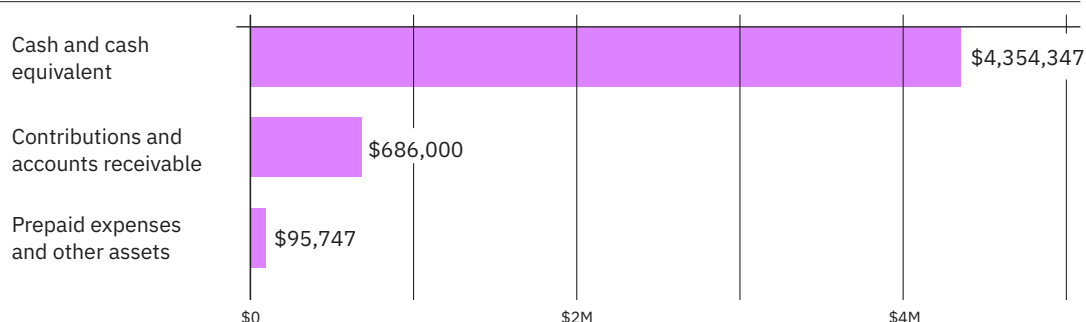
Financials

Expenditures



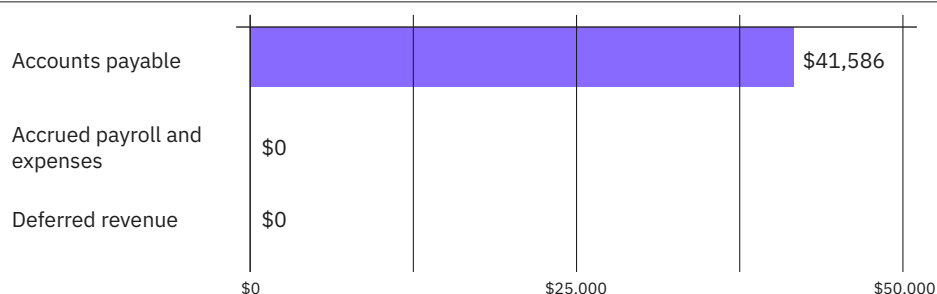
Total expenditures: \$5,069,501

Assets



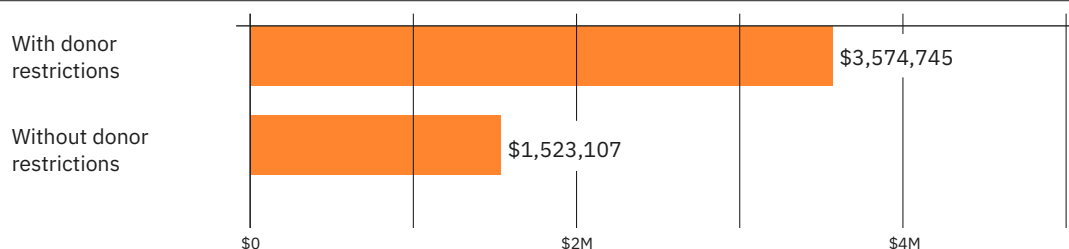
Total assets: \$5,139,438

Liabilities



Total liabilities: \$41,586

Net assets



Total net assets: \$5,097,852

The financial figures presented in this report are derived from Meedan's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2025, audited by Cook & Company, CPAs. The audit was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards (GAAS) and resulted in an unmodified opinion. Complete audited financial statements, including notes, are available upon request.

Appendix - Partners list by thematic focus

Democracy and human rights

BOLIVIA	INDONESIA	NORTH MACEDONIA
Bolivia Verifica	CekFakta	iVerify North
ChequeaBolivia	Liputan 6	Macedonia
	Mafindo	
BRAZIL	IRAQ	PAKISTAN
AFP Checamos	Network of Iraqi	iVerify Pakistan
Agência Lupa	Reporters for	
Agência Mural	Investigative	PERU
Estadão	Journalism	Instituto Prensa y
Pacto pela Democracia		Sociedad
Projeto Comprova	JAPAN	PHILIPPINES
Reuters Brasil	Japan Fact-check	Rappler
UOL	Center	Tsek.ph
		VERA Files
CAMEROON	KENYA	SPAIN
#defyhatenow	PesaCheck*	Agencia EFE
		Newtral
CAPE VERDE	LEBANON	TUNISIA
iVerify Cabo Verde	The Public Source	Fatabbyano
	Sifr	Nawaat
COLOMBIA	MADAGASCAR	UNITED STATES
Fundación Karisma	Studio Sifaka	Lead Stories
	MALAWI	PiYaoBa
ECUADOR	iVerify Malawi	TEGNA VERIFY
Ecuador Chequea		Telemundo
Lupa Media	MEXICO	Univision
	Animal Político	
FRANCE	ARTICLE 19 México y	URUGUAY
20 Minutes	Centroamérica	AFP Factual
AFP Factual	Reuters México	
	ZonaDocs	VENEZUELA
GERMANY	MONGOLIA	ReporteYa
AFP Faktencheck	Mongolian Fact-	
	Checking Center	ZAMBIA
HONDURAS	NIGERIA	iVerify Zambia
iVerify Honduras	Centre for Democracy	
	and Development	
INDIA	Paradigm Initiative	
AFP India	for Information	
BOOM	Technology	
DataLEADS	Development	
Factly		
The Healthy Indian		
Project		
India Today		
NewsMobile		
The Quint		
Vishvas News		

Gender equality

ARGENTINA
Ecofeminista
BRAZIL
Coding Rights**
INDIA
Chambal Media
JORDAN
Jordan Open Source
Association
KENYA
Kenya Internet and
Communications
Technology Action
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NIGERIA
Brain Builders Youth
Development Initiative
PAKISTAN
Digital Rights
Foundation
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Watching Western
Sahara

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