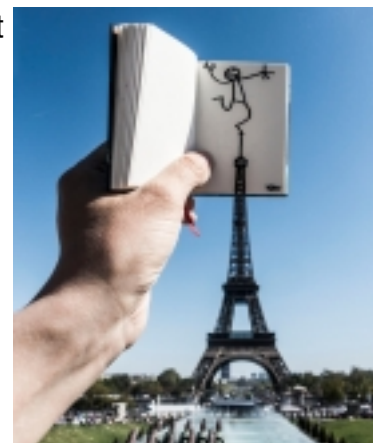




Elyx's journey Around the World in 70 Days finished last month on the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations. Elyx, the UN first digital ambassador visited more than 72 countries and five continents during the 70-day adventure. Elyx undertook this journey in order to learn about the work of the UN around the globe and to connect with colleagues from different



field missions. Elyx was delighted to be so warmly received by so many UN staff members at the UN information centres and by colleagues in Peace keeping and humanitarian missions.

Elyx's tour began on August 15th in France, home of the renowned artist Yacine Ait Kaci "Yak", who created Elyx in 2011, and home to the UNESCO Headquarters as well as the UN Headquarters for a few months in 1948. From France, Elyx embarked on a journey spanning

the 5 continents and multiple UN agencies. In the first couple of weeks alone, Elyx visited countries as diverse as Peru, Hungary, Australia, Cameroon and Sri Lanka. Everywhere the UN digital ambassador was welcomed with open arms by local UN teams.



In the final week of the project, Elyx shifted into higher gear and visited multiple countries a day to complete the journey around the world and to arrive at UN Headquarters in time for the UN70 celebrations. In New York, Elyx was able to explore the historic UN building and even had the honour of meeting Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

Looking back on the journey, Elyx has learned much about the UN's hard work and its commitment to create a better world for all. The UN digital ambassador therefore wholeheartedly agrees with Ban Ki-moon's statement that "seven decades after its founding, the United Nations remains a beacon for all humanity".

To see the whole adventure, visit the official website at www.elyx70days.org . Here you can find Elyx's travel log, which is packed with photos and stories from time spent with UN teams all around the world.