# WhatsApp tests new AI tab for enhanced user interaction



Meta's messaging platform, WhatsApp, is currently testing an innovative redesign aimed at enhancing user interaction with artificial intelligence chatbots. This new layout is available through the Android beta version of the app, with the most noteworthy change being the introduction of a dedicated tab for AI features on the app's homescreen.

According to information shared by WABetaInfo, this redesign allocates one of the four primary tabs in WhatsApp specifically to AI functionalities. Users will have access to a range of "Popular AI characters" available for conversation, alongside other chatbots categorised by various subjects. In addition to these interactive chatbots, WhatsApp's AI offerings extend to include tools for generating images and stickers, as well as a search function powered by Meta's AI technology.

Despite the presence of AI features within WhatsApp for some time, they have been limited to users in the United States and specific other countries, as well as a narrow selection of languages. Previously, these features could only be accessed through the app’s main Chats tab, but this latest update indicates a move to provide them with greater visibility and accessibility.

In a significant addition to its AI capabilities, WhatsApp is also exploring ways for users to create personalised AI characters. This feature was disclosed in a separate beta update, reflecting an effort to simplify the process of customisation that Meta had previously restricted to its AI Studio on the Instagram website. By integrating this functionality directly into the WhatsApp app, Meta is making it more user-friendly.

Furthermore, the new AI tab takes the place of the earlier Community tab; however, the Community functionality remains available, with a recent beta update introducing a more "streamlined" approach to Community creation now integrated within the Chats tab.

The developments within WhatsApp align with the broader trends in AI automation and its increasing role in business and communication, as companies continuously seek innovative ways to engage users and enhance their digital experiences. The ongoing enhancements in WhatsApp demonstrate Meta's commitment to leveraging emerging technologies to stay at the forefront of the messaging landscape.

Source: [Noah Wire Services](https://www.noahwire.com)

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