

HOW GOVERNMENTS CAN ENGAGE IN IGF 2025

The Internet Governance Forum (IGF) is the United Nations platform for inclusive, open and multistakeholder dialogue on Internet governance. Bringing together governments, civil society, the private sector, the technical community, and intergovernmental organizations, the IGF fosters open and constructive debate and collaboration on the most pressing digital challenges of our time.

IGF 2025: Hosted by the Government of Norway

Dates:

23-27 June 2025

Location:

NOVA Spektrum, Lillestrøm, Norway and online **Theme:**

Building Digital Governance Together

With over **9000 onsite and online participants,** and **over 150 sessions** covering key digital policy topics - including artificial intelligence, data governance, human rights online, digital economy, disinformation, cybersecurity, and emerging technologies - the IGF 2025 is a global milestone in global governance of digital technologies.

Engagement: Exchange perspectives and best practices with participants from academia, civil society, governments, intergovernmental organisations, the judiciary, parliaments, and the technical community from across the globe.

An Opportunity: For gaining and sharing knowledge about the experiences of other countries and regions in digital governance and digital transformation, development and cooperation.

Global Visibility: Shape and share your country's digital vision on a world stage — with transparency and opportunities for real-time feedback on national policies and positions.

WHY SHOULD GOVERNMENTS ENGAGE?

Government participation is essential for meaningful digital governance. The IGF offers:

Policy Dialogue: Meet and exchange experiences with counterparts from other governments, as well as stakeholders from civil society, business, industry, academia, and international organizations from over 175+ countries.

WHICH GOVERNMENTS PARTICIPATE IN THE IGF AND AT WHAT LEVEL?

Officials from over 175+ countries participate in the IGF, carrying various responsibilities - from heads of state to ministers, policy officers, parliamentarians, and judges - everyone has a voice at the IGF.

How to Participate

Join Any Session:

All IGF sessions are open and hybrid, meaning participation is possible **both onsite and online**. Every session includes an inclusive segment where all participants can contribute. Visit the IGF schedule and start building your own personal schedule! https://intgovforum.org/schedule. You can choose from many of the session types and

High-level track and main sessions:
Leadership from various sectors and
backgrounds will discuss issues such as child
online safety, information integrity, digital
public goods, WSIS+20, AI governance and

- Open Forums: Government and IGOorganized open exchanges on various digital governance topics.
- Workshops: global community-organized focused sessions on different digital governance issues.
- IGF intersessional work sessions: the IGF year-round community centred work of Dynamic Coalitions, Policy Networks and Best Practice Forums, will discuss its focus ranging from Internet fragmentation, meaningful access, cybersecurity, AI, to DNS, gaming, data and health, Internet rights and principles, gender online etc.
- Other sessions are also at your disposal to take active participation in, such as the one organized by various national, regional and youth IGF initiatives, lightning talks, launches and awards and more!

Parliamentary Track:

Dedicated sessions for legislators will explore concrete topics such as combating disinformation and regulating digital platforms. https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2025-parliamentary-track

Judicial Roundtables:

Judges and legal professionals will discuss the role of AI in judicial processes and broader legal dimensions of digital transformation.

Youth track:

As current leader in your domain, engage with the next generation of experts and leaders!

https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2025-vouth-track

Bilateral Meetings:

Use the open participants' list to arrange one-on-one meetings with delegations and stakeholders. The IGF Secretariat is available to assist with matchmaking and room bookings. https://intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2025-bilateral-meeting-rooms-reservations

Visit the IGF Village:

With over 80 exhibitors showcasing their work on digital governance, this is a unique opportunity to connect and collaborate.

https://intgovforum.org/en/igf-village-2025

Social Events:

Connect with fellow IGF participants at various side events and receptions: www.igf2025.no

Contribute Your Perspective

Your feedback shapes the IGF. Participate in the **Open Mic session** to voice your reflections, suggestions, and ideas for future forums.

IGF Outcomes

All IGF discussions will be consolidated in the IGF Messages! https://intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2025-outputs

Why is IGF 2025 Especially Important?

This year's IGF coincides with the **WSIS+20 review**. In December 2025, the UN General Assembly will assess the future of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) process and the mandate of the IGF itself.

Your engagement at IGF 2025 will help define the next chapter of global digital governance.

Link to all WSIS+20 sessions at the IGF:

https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2025sessions-related-to-the-wsis20-review

Get Connected

Reach out to the IGF Secretariat at igf@un.org. We will gladly assist you with registration, connecting with stakeholders, or organizing meetings.

Join us in Lillestrøm - or online - and help shape the digital future.

Coming to Lillestrøm? All you need to know is here https://www.igf2025.no/
Joining online? Explore the 3D Virtual IGF

Platform