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Internet Governance Forum 2024

Parliamentary Track: Practical information

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will host the United Nations 19th Internet Governance Forum (IGF 2024) from 15 to 19 December 2024 in Riyadh under the overarching theme *Building our Multistakeholder Digital Future*.

HYBRID IGF

The 19th annual IGF will be hosted in a hybrid format to provide meaningful participation of stakeholders present on-site or participating online. Participants who cannot travel to Riyadh will be able to attend sessions of the Parliamentary Track and the overall IGF meeting via an online platform (Zoom). More details will be made available on the [IGF website](#) closer to the event.

IGF 2024 SCHEDULE

The overall IGF 2024 schedule will be made available on the [IGF website](#).

REGISTRATION FOR IGF 2024 (including the Parliamentary Track)

All participants – whether they plan to join the IGF in Riyadh or online – are required to register for IGF 2024 via the official [INDICO registration platform](#).

Please note that this **registration is necessary for all participants, including members of parliaments**.

After registering online, parliamentarians and parliamentary staff are kindly invited to send a notification to parliamentarytrack@intgovforum.org to facilitate the registration approval process.

ORGANIZATION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY TRACK

The Parliamentary Track at the IGF 2024 is jointly organized by the United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs, the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the Shura Council of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The Parliamentary Track will be held from 16 to 18 December 2024.

To participate in the Parliamentary Track, participants need to register for IGF 2024 as described above. Please kindly complete the registration process by 15 November 2024.

The programme of the Parliamentary Track and all other relevant information will be published on this [web page](#).

TRAVEL SUPPORT FOR THE GLOBAL SOUTH

Limited funds are made available by the United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) to support the participation of stakeholders from the Global South at the IGF 2024 in Riyadh.

Applications for travel support **must be submitted by 30 October 2024**.



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Parliamentarians who meet the below eligibility criteria are invited to **submit their application via email, to Ms. Celine Bal at the IGF Secretariat, at celine.bal@un.org, with a copy to parliamentarytrack@intgovforum.org**. The following information should be provided:

- Name
- Title (e.g. Member of Parliament, Senator)
- Email address
- Country and city
- Parliament represented
- URL of the parliament
- Role within the Parliament
- Term of office (start and end year of your mandate as Member of Parliament)
- The type of support requested
 - Partial travel support (only the Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA))
 - Full travel support (DSA and travel costs)

You can request full travel support or partial travel support (only the DSA). Please note that candidates requesting partial travel support (DSA only) may be given preference. The DSA is intended to account for lodging, meals, gratuities and other similar expenses.

Parliamentarians will be informed about the status of their application after the submission deadline. For all questions about travel support, please contact Ms. Celine Bal at celine.bal@un.org.

Eligibility criteria

To be considered for financial support, parliamentarians must:

- Be from a Least Developed Country, Landlocked Developing Country, Small Island Developing State or a Transitional Economy.
- Be member of an official delegation of a parliament of a UN Member State.
- Commit to participate in the IGF 2024 Parliamentary Track.

Applicants should be aware of and be able to comply with Saudi entry regulations available on this [website](#).



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DEDICATED MAILING LIST

A mailing list has been set up to facilitate communication with and among members of parliaments interested in participating in the IGF 2024 Parliamentary Track.

Parliamentarians and parliamentary staff are invited to subscribe via this [webpage](#).

INTERPRETATION

For the Parliamentary Track at IGF 2024, interpretation will be provided in English, French, Spanish and Arabic, with the exception of the parliamentary roundtable taking place in the main hall, where interpretation will be provided in all six official UN languages (English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Russian and Chinese).

IGF 2024 VENUE

IGF 2024 will be held at the King Abdulaziz International Conference Centre (KAICC), Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. For more information, please visit the Host Country [website](#).

VISA, TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Relevant information on visa requirements, on traveling to Riyadh and on accommodation options in the city are available on the Host Country [website](#).

Participants are responsible for making their own arrangements for travel and accommodation.

It should be noted that the capacity of the hotels, located in the vicinity of the conference center, have limited capacity and participants should ensure to secure a room in a hotel nearby the center as soon as possible.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For any additional information, please visit the IGF website and the IGF 2024 Host Country website:

- www.intgovforum.org
- www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2024-parliamentary-track
- igfriyadh2024.sa/
- (IGF newsletter: www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-communications-subscription)

CONTACT

For any further questions or information regarding the Parliamentary Track at IGF 2024, please contact Ms. Celine Bal at celine.bal@un.org.