



# Draft IGF 2024 Summary

*Nineteenth Meeting of Internet Governance Forum  
15-19 December 2024  
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia*

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# 1 IGF 2024 at a Glance

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<b>When</b>	15-19 December 2024 Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and online
<b>IGF 2024 in Numbers<sup>1</sup></b>	11,853 stakeholders registered from 75% of UN member states 7,194 onsite participants from 144 countries 2,800+ online participants 307 sessions
<b>Overarching Theme</b>	Building our multistakeholder digital future
<b>4 Themes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advancing human rights and inclusion in the digital age</li><li>• Enhancing the digital contribution to peace, development, and sustainability</li><li>• Harnessing innovation and balancing risks in digital space</li><li>• Improving digital governance for the Internet We Want</li></ul>
<b>IGF focus engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IGF multistakeholder community sessions</li><li>• IGF High-Level Leaders Track</li><li>• IGF Youth Track</li><li>• IGF Parliamentary Track</li><li>• IGF Intersessional Work</li><li>• IGF Newcomers Orientation</li><li>• Engaging businesses and judiciary</li></ul>

## 2 IGF 2024 Introduction

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The [Internet Governance Forum](#) (IGF) is a global multistakeholder platform that brings stakeholders together to discuss public policy issues related to the Internet. The forum is convened by the United Nations Secretary-General, in line with the mandate set out in paragraph 72 of the [Tunis Agenda for the Information Society](#). The IGF's mandate was renewed in 2015 for 10 years. The Forum's mandate will be subject to a review in 2025.

In 2024, the forum held its 19th annual meeting in a hybrid format, hosted by the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in Riyadh. Under the overarching theme [Building our multistakeholder digital future](#), the meeting featured discussion on some of the most pressing Internet and digital policy issues, from access to the Internet, human rights, to Internet fragmentation, cybersecurity, and Artificial Intelligence and emerging technologies.

The [IGF 2024 Multistakeholder Advisory Group](#) (MAG), with members appointed by the UN Secretary-General from all stakeholder groups, supported the planning of the 19th annual IGF

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<sup>1</sup> Preliminary statistics as of 19 October 2024. Final statistics to be published in the next few days.

meeting. The [IGF Leadership Panel](#) met in person to exchange views on approaches to strengthening the Forum and enhancing its visibility.

### 3 IGF 2024 Highlights

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#### Opening Ceremony

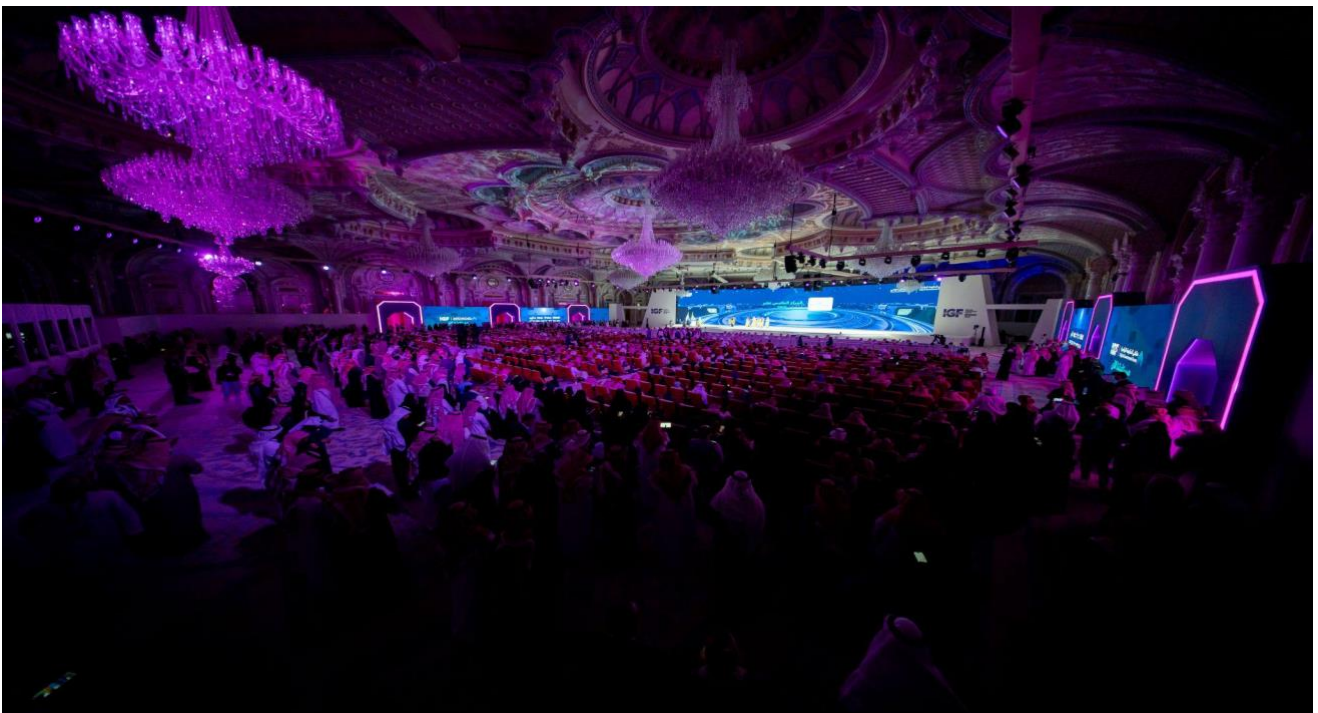
The meeting opened with remarks from the United Nations Under-Secretary-General and from the Minister of Communications and Information Technology of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

*“Digital technology has fundamentally reshaped our world and holds enormous potential to accelerate human progress. But unlocking this potential for all people requires guardrails, and a collaborative approach to governance.... Dear friends, The Global Digital Compact also recognizes the Internet Governance Forum as the primary multistakeholder platform for discussing Internet governance issues. As the world implements the Compact, the work and voice of your Forum will be critical. Together, let’s keep building an open, free and safe Internet for all people.”*

**(United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. António Guterres)**

*“We are talking about a gap of compute capacity of about 63GW, where only a handful of nations can be able to deliver that. We are talking about a 10 million shortage between data scientists, cybersecurity professionals and AI professionals to close down the divide. And we are talking about 7.5 billion that will be left behind. Now, it is not about the Global North or the Global South, it is about all of us, eight out of ten people would be left behind in the intelligence age. And this is why this divide is relevant to all of us. If we did not achieve multilateralism and multistakeholderism in the past, we must agree on consensus in this IGF, and we need once again to tackle the algorithmic divide, the data and the compute divide. We need an algorithm to make sure that we are helpful, honest and harmless, to make sure that there is no bias that leaves anyone behind or an AI or a data scientist that is inserting and hard coding a guardrail to exclude any of us.”*

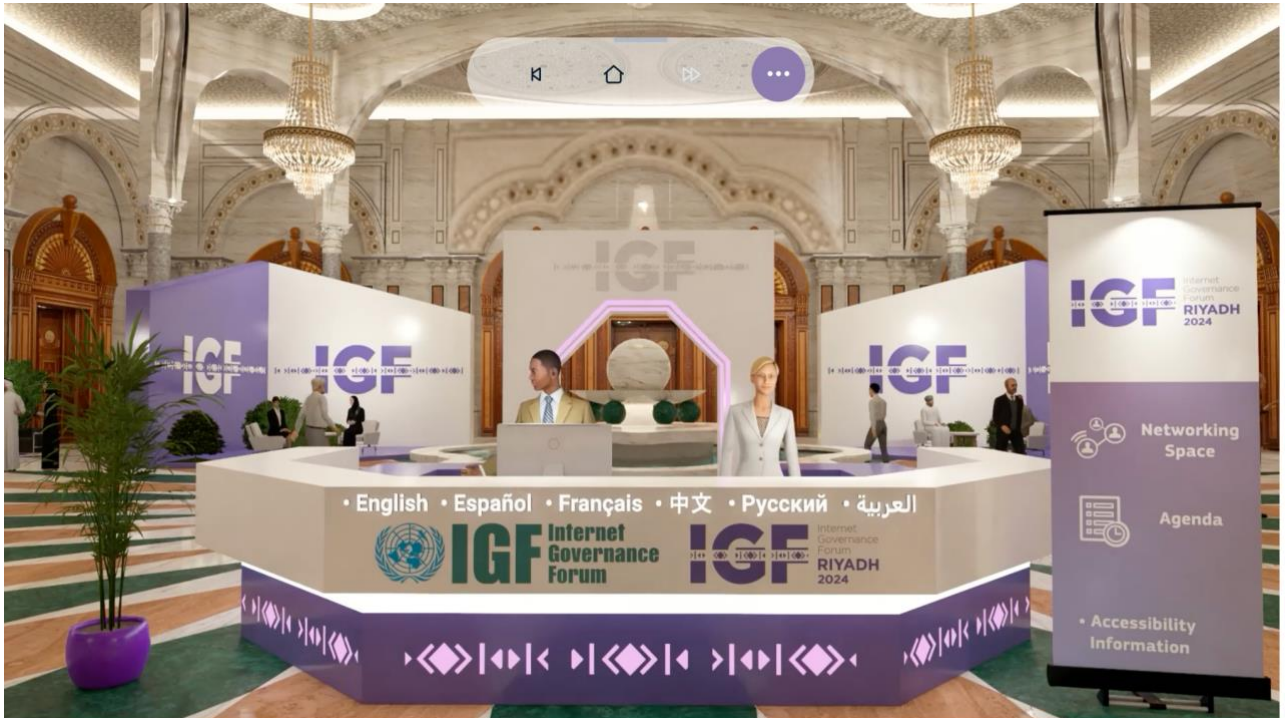
**(Minister of Communications and Information Technology of Saudi Arabia, H.E. Mr. Abdullah Alswaha)**



## Hybrid IGF

The 19th IGF was held as a fully hybrid meeting, with participants joining onsite, in Riyadh, and online. With the overall objective of making participation in the meeting meaningful and inclusive for all attendees, the hybrid format included several features:

- Through the [IGF website](#) serving as a primary entry point, all online participants, including those with active roles of speakers/moderators/rapporteurs were able to participate and contribute as those participating onsite.
- A [3D Venue](#) was created as an equivalent to the onsite venue. As onsite participants, the online participants also had the opportunity to enter the meeting rooms and connect to the participating platform.



- The [IGF Village](#) booths, hosted by over 80 organisations at the venue, had their online equivalents.
- [Remote hubs](#) facilitated the participation of those unable to travel.
- [Bilateral meetings](#) could also be organised with online participation.
- A dedicated [website landing page](#) and adjusted [mobile app](#) were also made available to support easier navigation of the IGF 2024 content.

## Involvement of UN Agencies

The Forum saw over 35 entities from the UN system, represented both as organisers and speakers in many sessions.

## Focus on Youth

To effectively engage youth, a dedicated [IGF 2024 Youth Track](#) was designed and implemented throughout the year. In cooperation with all Youth IGF coordinators, as well as international youth-focused organisations, the track was designed and delivered through four capacity development workshops hosted in conjunction with [regional IGFs](#), namely [EuroDIG](#) in Lithuania, [Youth LACIGF](#) in Chile, [APriGF](#) and [African IGF](#) in Ethiopia, as well as a [IGF 2024 Global Youth Summit](#) at the 19th IGF in Riyadh. The track focused on unpacking various aspects of AI governance and engaged over thousands of young people.



*IGF 2024 Global Youth Summit in Riyadh, 8 October*

### **Thematic Approach**

The IGF 2024 themes were aligned closely with the areas the community prioritised through a traditional public call and as such reflective of the community expressed priorities. The programme's structure aimed to encourage focused discussion that delves more deeply into specific issue areas thereby potentially leading to more focused outcomes.

### **Capacity Development**

Throughout 2024, the IGF Secretariat has been engaged in a series of [capacity development activities](#), including organising workshops, providing grants to NRIs, supporting youth engagement and schools of Internet governance, engaging with members of parliaments, providing travel support for IGF 2024 participants and remote hubs. Specifically, capacity development included several activities:

- Workshops organised in conjunction with the NRIs, to foster cooperation and develop capacity. Among these, some specifically were organised as part of the youth and parliamentary tracks.
- Training sessions for IGF 2024 session organisers and participants, focused broadly on explaining mechanisms of hybrid participation.
- [Newcomers session](#) for orienting first time IGF participants.
- Grants support to 12 [NRIs](#) and 5 [remote hubs](#) serving communities from developing countries.
- [Travel support](#) to 128 participants coming from developing countries.

### **Leadership Panel**

The Secretary-General appointed the [Leadership Panel](#), as a strategic high-level multistakeholder body in 2022. The 15-member Panel continued its work in 2024 through regular online meetings and two in-person meetings, hosted during the IGF open consultations and MAG meeting in

February in Riyadh and in December at the 19th IGF in Riyadh. A number of members met at the Summit of the Future hosted at the margins of the UN General-Assembly High Level Week where the Global Digital Compact was agreed. At the 19th IGF in Riyadh, the Panel members met with many other initiatives and organisations through bilateral meetings and engaged with the community by having members participate in various sessions. A dedicated meeting between the Panel and MAG took place, addressing the upcoming strategic improvements of the IGF in the context of the GDC implementation and WSIS+20 review. The 19th IGF enabled the Panel to continue presenting their vision for good governance of digital technologies reflected throughout their [“The Internet We Want” paper](#) that outlines the key priority areas of work for digital technologies to serve humanity.

The IGF continues to plan for its contributions to the implementation of the Secretary-General’s [Global Digital Compact](#) on norms, principles and values, as well as to the preparations for the 20-year review of the World Summit on the Information Society. The IGF 2024 Messages, reflecting key takeaways from the forum’s discussions, are expected to broadly inform the community and various processes - the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, WSIS+20 review, and GDC among them.

The Panel is working toward the long-term sustainability of the Forum. In this regard, upcoming IGF host countries are being explored, as well as new partnerships and approaches to cooperation.

### **IGF 2024**

During the ceremonial part of the 18th annual IGF meeting, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia announced it will host the IGF 2024 annual meeting in Riyadh.

To plan the 19th annual IGF meeting in 2024, following the public call for nominations, the Secretary-General appointed a Chair and eleven new members to its IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group. The [list of MAG 2024](#) members and its Chair is available at the IGF website.

### **Communications**

An opening press conference was held on Day 1, Monday 16 December, with the USG of DESA and Minister of Communications and Information Technology of Saudi Arabia, outlining key highlights of the programme and touching on digital issues of global and regional importance. The briefing was attended by Saudi and international media. The opening of the IGF was announced by the UN Secretary-General’s spokesperson during the [daily noon briefing](#) at UN Headquarters on 16 December. The entirety of the IGF’s proceedings in the main plenary hall were streamed live on [UN WebTV](#).

Daily live [Media Hub](#) segments were held in a staging area in the IGF Village. Once a day, the Hub provided a recap and looking forward of IGF highlights and featured a special IGF guest for an interview. The public interviews were conducted by Global South journalists who successfully applied for travel support to attend the IGF. Interviewees included Emma Theofelus, Minister of ICT of Namibia, and one of the youngest government ministers in Africa; Ivana Bartoletti, Chief Privacy and AI Governance Officer at Wipro; Shivnath Thukral, Vice President of Public Policy at Meta India; and Audace Niyonkuru, CEO of Digital Umuganda. Media Hub interviews were posted to [UN WebTV](#).

The 19th IGF, supported by the hashtags #IGF2024 and #MSHDigitalFuture, was featured across UN social media channels - IGF channels as well as those of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and UN Secretariat.

Week-of media monitoring showed that the IGF was covered in a very high number of major television outlets, including Asharq Bloomberg, Sky News Arabia, CNBC Arabia, Al-Ekhbariya and Saudi Channel, several print and online outlets such as Saudi Press Agency (SPA), Al-Madina, Okaz, Al-Jazirah, Sayidaty, Adwaa Al-Watan, Al-Rajol, and regional and international outlets Kuwait News Agency (KUNA), UN Sustainable Development Blog, Kurdistan24, GlobeNewswire, FinanzNachrichten, as well as outlets in Italy, Senegal and many more.

A press kit was prepared via [Trello](#), containing a [media advisory](#), essential details about the meeting, access to [photos](#) and [videos](#) and contact information in case of interest in interviews. Opening and closing press releases were issued.

Also via [Trello](#), communications materials were shared with the IGF's session organisers to enhance the promotion of their sessions, from thematic cards, to social media guidance, powerpoint templates and high-resolution logos.

All sessions were streamed and transcribed. The high-level and main sessions were interpreted in six official UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish).

## 4 Overarching Theme: *Building Our Multistakeholder Digital Future*

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The headline of this year's Forum is *Building Our Multistakeholder Digital Future*. This title symbolises a vision in which all stakeholders cooperate for a sustainable and inclusive digital future for everyone.

## 5 Riyadh IGF Messages

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The [Riyadh IGF Messages](#) provide a high-level overview for decision-makers of the most current thinking on key Internet governance and digital policy issues. They are sourced directly from over 300 sessions held during IGF 2024. Session organisers were invited to self-identify key takeaways at the end of their session as input for these messages. A set of draft messages, curated by the IGF Secretariat, are published for community review. The final IGF 2024 Messages will be published as part of the annual meeting's outcomes.

Riyadh IGF Messages are compiled for each of the four sub- themes, available on the [IGF website](#).

## 6 Thematic Focus - IGF Community Sessions

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Community-led sessions, including MAG-organised main sessions, as well as sessions organised by hundreds of other stakeholders, were built around the IGF 2024 sub-themes (selected on the basis of a public call for issues). Stakeholders were invited to submit session proposals under one of the four sub-themes:

- **Advancing human rights and inclusion in the digital age**
- **Enhancing the digital contribution to peace, development, and sustainability**
- **Harnessing innovation and balancing risks in digital space**

- **Improving digital governance for the Internet We Want**

Over 400 [session proposals](#) were reviewed and evaluated for final adoption into the IGF 2024 programme.

## 7 IGF 2024 High-Level Leaders Track

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Co-organised by the [Host Country](#) and [UN DESA/IGF Secretariat](#), the [IGF 2024 High-Level Leaders' Track](#) engaged experts and leaders from all stakeholder groups into discussions on a series of key questions such as trusted digital future, ethical AI governance, digital identities, WSIS+20, and protecting children online. The track saw participation of twenty six high-level participants at ministerial level and over twelve vice ministers. Overall, over sixty five high level experts took part in the track, with more than forty in an active role.

## 8 IGF 2024 Youth Track

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The [IGF 2024 Youth Track](#) was composed of four capacity development workshops and a Global Youth Summit, all focused on governing AI. It was designed and co-organized by the Youth IGF coordinators, IGF Secretariat and several international youth-focused organisations.

### Capacity development workshops

Four capacity development workshops were hosted in conjunction with the [regional IGFs](#) ([EuroDIG](#) in Lithuania, [Youth LACIGF](#) in Chile, [APrIGF](#) and [African IGF](#) in Ethiopia), focusing on particular aspects of AI governance, such as responsible use of large language models, capacity development, human rights implications and building a responsible AI governance ecosystem.

### IGF 2024 Global Youth Summit and Messages from Youth

The four workshops fed into the final activity of the track, the [IGF 2024 Global Youth Summit](#), a traditional IGF session which facilitates dialogue between youth and senior stakeholders. Youth from all five regions of the world engaged in a dialogue with senior experts from different backgrounds and countries. More details about the IGF 2024 Youth Track and the Summit are available on the [dedicated page](#). All discussions are consolidated in [Messages from Youth](#).

## 9 IGF 2024 Parliamentary Track

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Building on the past years' experience, the IGF further strengthened its [Parliamentary Track](#), in particular through expanding a set of intersessional activities dedicated to fostering inter-parliamentary dialogue and cooperation on key digital policy issues. The engagement was done at regional levels throughout the year by cooperating with the regional IGFs. Below is an overview of activities undertaken in 2024.

### Parliamentary track at regional IGFs

To foster meaningful engagement with members of parliaments from different regions, the IGF Secretariat cooperated directly with Parliaments or with regional IGFs. At the Central Asian [IGF](#) hosted in Uzbekistan, at the [West African IGF](#) hosted in Senegal and at the [African IGF](#) hosted in



Ethiopia, parliamentarians from respective regions gathered to discuss digital issues of interest such as digital transformation and cooperation, the regulation of AI, data governance and others. The IGF also collaborated with the Chamber of Deputies of Argentina on a [Regional Summit of Parliamentarians on Artificial Intelligence and the Latin American Agenda](#) in June in Buenos Aires City, as well as with the National Congress and the Ministry of Science, Technology, Knowledge and Innovation of Chile, on [dedicated activities](#) prior to the Latin American and Caribbean IGF (LACIGF) in November in Santiago de Chile.

### **Parliamentary Track at IGF 2024**

During the IGF meeting in Riyadh, over 90 parliamentarians from more than 35 countries, as well as the European and the Pan-African Parliament, got together - on site and online - to exchange experiences and interact with other stakeholders on digital cooperation, including relevant international Internet governance processes, such as the Global Digital Compact and the World Summit on the Information Society review process. Over nine very rich and engaging sessions, parliamentarians highlighted the importance of multistakeholder cooperation for empowering legislators to make informed decisions.

A firm interest was expressed by many parliamentarians to continue and strengthen their engagement with the IGF, take part in national and regional IGF initiatives, and consider the work carried out in these fora as resources to inform their parliamentary discussions and activities.

These and other messages are reflected in an [output document](#) which is intended to inform parliamentary action in the years to come.

### **Other Parliamentary Activities in 2024**

The Inter-Parliamentary Union, in cooperation with UNESCO and the IGF Secretariat, organized three capacity-building workshops on Artificial Intelligence (AI) from January to March, which were open to parliamentarians and parliamentary staff. The workshops also informed a forthcoming IPU resolution "The impact of artificial intelligence on democracy, human rights and the rule of law". The resolution was adopted at the 149th IPU Assembly in October. In parallel, UNESCO developed a consultation paper on AI regulation with the support of Inter-Parliamentary Union and Internet Governance Forum's Parliamentary Track to engage parliamentarians globally and enhance their capacities in evidence-based policymaking for AI.

## **10 IGF 2024 Intersessional Work**

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### **10.1 Policy Networks**

The [Policy Network \(PNs\)](#) are dedicated to identifying status quo and current issues including the policy gaps, existing capacity and conditions, local specificities, good and bad practices and possible ways forward through actionable activities led by identified implementation parties.

- [Policy Network on Meaningful Access](#), focused on advocating for the implementation of policy solutions for meaningful access issues, monitoring ongoing and new practices, and fostering multistakeholder debates on connectivity, digital inclusion, and capacity development. It aligns efforts with the Global Digital Compact and WSIS+20 and IGF+20 processes.

- [Policy Network on Internet Fragmentation](#) explored policy, technical, legal and regulatory measures that threaten the open, interconnected, and interoperable nature of the Internet.
- [Policy Network on Artificial Intelligence](#) addressed policy matters related to AI accountability, environmental sustainability in Generative AI, effective governance and interoperability, and tackled labor issues across AI's lifecycle.

## 10.2 Best Practice Forums

The [Best Practice Forums \(BPFs\)](#) provide a platform to exchange experiences in addressing Internet policy issues. The objective is to collect existing and emerging good practices from community experience. BPFs are open, bottom-up and collective processes to produce community-driven outputs. BPF outputs intend to contribute to an understanding of global good practice, and to serve as a resource to inform policy discussions, standards development, business decisions, as well as public understanding, awareness, and discourse.

- [Best Practice Forum on Cybersecurity](#) focused on fostering cooperation to ensure the efficient and effective use of the limited resources for capacity building

## 10.3 Dynamic Coalitions

[Dynamic Coalitions \(DCs\)](#) are open, multistakeholder and community-driven groups dedicated to an internet governance issue or set of issues. They emerged at the first IGF meeting in 2006. Currently there are 31 [active dynamic coalitions](#) focused on various topics such as environment, data and health, Internet rights and principles, innovative approaches to connecting the unconnected, accessibility and disability, child rights online etc. The activities of the DCs are coordinated by the [Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group \(DCCG\)](#) with aid from the IGF Secretariat.

At IGF 2024, [14 DCs held individual sessions](#) to discuss the ways of meaningful contribution to the implementation of the Global Digital Compact to lead toward sustainable development. These coalitions showcased how their work could contribute to the development of the Internet that is conducive to human rights and is a factor of life improvement for everyone.

## 10.4 National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives

[National and Regional IGF Initiatives \(NRIs\)](#) are organic and independent multistakeholder networks that discuss issues pertaining to Internet Governance from the perspective of their respective communities, while acting in accordance with the main principles of the global IGF. To date, 175 NRIs are recognized by the IGF Secretariat.

At the 19th IGF in Riyadh, over 100 NRIs co-organized five sessions, including three thematic collaborative sessions, main session and a coordination session. Specifically, the main session focused on the evolution of the multistakeholder model, while the coordination session looked into ways the NRIs could contribute to WSIS+20 review and GDC implementation. The collaborative sessions unpacked local specificities on Artificial Intelligence and other emerging technologies, digital inclusion and disinformation. More information about the NRIs sessions is available at the [IGF website](#).

## 10.5 Other Sessions Accommodated in the IGF 2024 Programme

The IGF 2024 Programme, in addition to the above mentioned tracks, accommodated several other types of sessions, including:

- [High-Level Sessions](#) organized by the Host Country and the UN;
- [Main Sessions](#) organized around priority issues related to the IGF 2024 programme sub-themes by members of the MAG;
- [Workshops](#) as community-organized multistakeholder interactive sessions;
- [Open Forums](#), sessions organized by governments, treaty-based international organisations, and global organisations with international scope and presence, with operations across regions, dealing with Internet governance issues;
- [Launches and Awards](#), sessions to present and discuss Internet governance-related academic and/or research initiatives or outputs such as research or think tank work, book launches and similar;
- [Lightning Talks](#), brief, to-the-point, prepared presentation on a specific Internet governance issue;
- [Networking Sessions](#), gatherings of stakeholders interested in a same or similar issue; icebreaker sessions; social gatherings; gatherings of people and organisations from a particular region, stakeholder group, or area of activity;
- [DC Sessions](#), as collaborative sessions organized by multistakeholder teams of different DCs;
- [NRIs Sessions](#), as collaborative sessions organized by multistakeholder teams of NRIs coming from different regions;
- [Intersessional work sessions](#), organized by the facilitators of IGF Best Practice Forums and Policy Networks;
- [Pre-events](#), sessions hosted on the day before the IGF official programme begins (15 December).

Many of the above-listed sessions focused on addressing the 20-year review of the World Summit on the Information Society. An overview of [WSIS+20 sessions at IGF 2024](#) is available at the IGF website dedicated page.

IGF 2024 focused on strategic engagement with [business](#) and [judiciary](#) through dedicated sessions, resulting in participating stakeholders calling for continuation of these practices.

A number of social events were organized by the Host Country as well as other participating stakeholders.

# 11 Annex A: IGF 2024 Statistics

## 11.1 Breakdown of Registrations

The 19th IGF annual meeting gathered 7,194 participants onsite in Riyadh coming from 144 different UN member states<sup>2</sup>. Additional 2,800+ participated online, making the overall participation exceed 9,994. Below are the breakdowns by stakeholder and regional groups.

By Stakeholder (Percentage)		By Region (Percentage)	
Government	48%	African Group	11%
		Asia-Pacific Group	50%
Intergovernmental Organisation	7%	Eastern European Group	4%
Civil Society	11%	Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)	2%
Private Sector	25%	Western European and Others Group (WEOG)	16%
Technical Community	7%	Intergovernmental Organisation	17%
Press/Media	1%		
Children	1%		

Compared to IGF 2023, this year's IGF saw a significant increase in the number of participants from the Governments, (+32%), and decrease in participation from civil society (-13%), as well as private sector (-12%) and technical community (-7%). There was an increase in representation of stakeholders from Africa (+3%) and decrease from GRULAC (-5%).

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By Gender (Percentage)		Newcomers (Percentage)	
Female	31%	Newcomers	64%
Male	68%		
Other	>1%		

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Youth (<30 years old; Percentage)		Members of Parliaments (Percentage)	
Youth	23%	Parliamentarians	>2% from 27 countries

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary statistics as of noon 19 December 2024. Final statistics to be published in the next few days.

## 11.2 Global South Support

Estimated 1,800 stakeholders benefited from support

- 12 grants to NRIs
- 5 grants to Remote Hubs
- 125 received Travel Support

## 11.3 Remote Hubs

34 [remote hubs](#) at IGF 2024 from 19 countries

Represented 5 regions

- 50% from Africa
- 17% from Asia Pacific
- 17% from Latin America and Caribbean
- 5% from Eastern Europe
- 11% from WEOG

## 11.4 Sessions

307 [sessions](#) at IGF 2024

- 1 Opening Session
- 1 Opening Ceremony
- 4 Main Sessions
- 91 Workshops
- 45 Open Forums
- 11 Launches and Awards
- 46 Lightning Talks
- 11 Networking Sessions
- 15 DC Sessions
- 3 NRI Collaborative Sessions
- 51 Pre-Events (Day 0 Sessions)
- 5 High-level Leaders Track
- 9 Parliamentary Track sessions
- 1 Judiciary engagement session
- 5 Business engagement sessions
- 1 Global Youth Summit
- 1 BPF Session
- 3 PN Sessions
- 1 Open Mic
- 1 Closing Ceremony

## 11.5 Media

The meeting's remote zoom participation attracted over 2,800+ delegates joining the plenary and workshop meetings. The zoom meetings were mostly attended by Saudi Arabia (52%), followed by

the United States, India, Germany and France. The livestream service attracted over 20,000+ views for both the IGF YouTube channel and UN WebTV. Over 70% of viewers were between 18 and 44 years of age. The livestream was mostly viewed in Saudi Arabia (49%), followed by the United States, China, Germany and India.

One press conference and four Media Hub sessions were held targeting all r IGF-accredited journalists; notices of these were distributed to the IGF main press mailing list and media lists at the UN Secretariat through the Department of Global Communications. Media Hub interviews were posted to UN WebTV.

Thousands of stakeholders interacted with the 19th IGF hashtags #IGF2024 and #MSHDigitalFuture<sup>3</sup>.

Week-of media monitoring showed that the IGF was covered in a very high number of major Saudi Arabia media outlets, in print and broadcast.

A press kit was prepared via Trello, containing a media advisory, essential details about the meeting, access to photos and videos and contact information in case of interest in interviews. Opening and closing press releases were issued.

## 11.6 Preparation

IGF 2024 preparation

- 40 Members of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)
- 2 Open Consultation and MAG Meetings
- Over 30 Virtual MAG and MAG-WG meetings
- 4 MAG Working Groups and 4 Main Session Preparatory Groups

## 12 Annex B: Documentation and Process

IGF 2024 host country website

<https://igfriadh2024.sa/>

IGF Website

<https://www.intgovforum.org>

### 12.1 IGF 2024 Outputs

IGF 2024 outputs, including IGF 2024 messages, session reports, press releases, and IGF participant statements, can be found at:

<https://intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2024-outputs>

<sup>3</sup> Precise statistics will be made available in a few days.

## 12.2 IGF 2024 Session Reports, Recordings and Transcripts

Reports	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/igf-2024-reports">https://intgovforum.org/en/igf-2024-reports</a>
Transcripts	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/igf-2024-transcripts">https://intgovforum.org/en/igf-2024-transcripts</a>
Recordings	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/igf/videos">https://www.youtube.com/user/igf/videos</a>

## 12.3 IGF 2024 Intersessional Work

The community-led [intersessional activities](#) that occur throughout the year offer the IGF community the opportunity to work on substantive and concrete longer-term projects in the field of Internet governance:

### Policy Networks (PNs)

Internet Fragmentation (PNIF)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/policy-network-on-internet-fragmentation">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/policy-network-on-internet-fragmentation</a>
Meaningful Access (PNMA)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/policy-network-on-meaningful-access-pnma">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/policy-network-on-meaningful-access-pnma</a>
Artificial Intelligence (AI)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/policy-network-on-artificial-intelligence-pnai">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/policy-network-on-artificial-intelligence-pnai</a>

### Best Practice Forums (BPFs)

Cybersecurity	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/bpf-cybersecurity">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/bpf-cybersecurity</a>
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### Dynamic Coalitions (DCs)

The activities of the 31 DCs are coordinated by the [Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group](#) (DCCG).

Accessibility and Disability	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-accessibility-and-disability-1">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-accessibility-and-disability-1</a>
Blockchain Technologies	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-blockchain-technologies-0">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-blockchain-technologies-0</a>
Children's Rights in the Digital Environment	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-childrens-rights-in-the-digital-environment">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-childrens-rights-in-the-digital-environment</a>
Community Connectivity	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-community-connectivity-0">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-community-connectivity-0</a>
Core Internet Values	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-community-connectivity-0">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-community-connectivity-0</a>
Data and Trust	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-data-and-trust-dc-dt">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-data-and-trust-dc-dt</a>

Data Driven Health Technologies	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-data-driven-health-technologies-dc-ddht">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-data-driven-health-technologies-dc-ddht</a>
Digital Health	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-digital-health">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-digital-health</a>
DNS Issues	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-dns-issues-dc-dnsi">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-dns-issues-dc-dnsi</a>
Environment	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-environment-dce">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-environment-dce</a>
Gender and Internet Governance	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-gender-and-internet-governance">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-gender-and-internet-governance</a>
Innovative Approaches to Connecting the Unconnected	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-innovative-approaches-to-connecting-the-unconnected-0">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-innovative-approaches-to-connecting-the-unconnected-0</a>
Internet and Jobs	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-jobs-dc-jobs">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-jobs-dc-jobs</a>
Internet of Things	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-internet-of-things-0">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-internet-of-things-0</a>
Internet Rights & Principles	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-rights-and-principles-1">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-rights-and-principles-1</a>
Internet Standards, Security and Safety	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-standards-security-and-safety-dc-issv">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-standards-security-and-safety-dc-issv</a>
Internet Universality Indicators	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dc-on-internet-universality-indicators-dc-iui">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dc-on-internet-universality-indicators-dc-iui</a>
Network Neutrality	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-network-neutrality-1">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-network-neutrality-1</a>
Platform Responsibility	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-platform-responsibility">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-platform-responsibility</a>
Public Access in Libraries	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-public-access-in-libraries-1">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-public-access-in-libraries-1</a>
Schools of Internet Governance	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-schools-of-internet-governance">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-schools-of-internet-governance</a>
Small Island Developing States in the Internet Economy	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-small-island-developing-states-in-the-internet-economy-dc-sids">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-small-island-developing-states-in-the-internet-economy-dc-sids</a>
Sustainability of Journalism and News Media	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-sustainability-of-journalism-and-news-media-dc-sustainability">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-sustainability-of-journalism-and-news-media-dc-sustainability</a>
Youth Coalition on Internet Governance	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/youth-coalition-on-internet-governance-1">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/youth-coalition-on-internet-governance-1</a>
Dynamic Teen Coalition	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-teens">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-teens</a>
Dynamic Coalition on Blockchain Assurance and Standardization	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-blockchain-assurance-and-standardization-dc-bas">https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-blockchain-assurance-and-standardization-dc-bas</a>



Dynamic Coalition on Data and Artificial Intelligence Governance	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-data-and-artificial-intelligence-governance-dc-daig">https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-data-and-artificial-intelligence-governance-dc-daig</a>
Dynamic Coalition on Open Educational Resources	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-open-educational-resources-dc-oer">https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-open-educational-resources-dc-oer</a>
Dynamic Coalition on Measuring Digital Inclusion	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-measuring-digital-inclusion">https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-measuring-digital-inclusion</a>
Dynamic Coalition on Gaming for Purpose	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-gaming-for-purpose-dc-g4p">https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-gaming-for-purpose-dc-g4p</a>
Dynamic Coalition on Interplanetary Internet	<a href="https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-interplanetary-internet-dc-interplanetary">https://intgovforum.org/en/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-interplanetary-internet-dc-interplanetary</a>

### National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs)

National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs) are organic and independent formations that are discussing issues pertaining to Internet Governance from the perspective of their respective communities, while acting in accordance with the main principles of the global IGF.

The status of NRIs in 2024:

- 175 NRIs recognised in total
- 100+ NRIs represented at IGF 2024
- 13 more countries/regions have established IGF processes since IGF 2023

Below are the sources to find more information about the NRIs and their work:

About the NRIs	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/national-and-regional-igf-initiatives">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/national-and-regional-igf-initiatives</a>
National IGFs	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/national-igf-initiatives">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/national-igf-initiatives</a>
Regional IGFs	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/regional-igf-initiatives">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/regional-igf-initiatives</a>
Youth IGFs	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/youth-initiatives">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/youth-initiatives</a>
Preparatory work of the NRIs	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/nris-collaborative-work">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/nris-collaborative-work</a>

## 12.4 IGF 2024 Preparatory Process

The IGF meeting programme is prepared by the MAG and the IGF Secretariat over the course of the year. Key decisions on the programme are taken in the face-to-face meetings as well as regular virtual meetings of the MAG leading into the IGF.

Following a traditional approach, the process was triggered by a public call for inputs which helped identification of the main themes. These were developed by the MAG based on input and contributions submitted by the community. The programme for IGF 2024 was then built around the four main sub-themes which were prioritised through the public call:

Key elements of the preparatory processes included:

- A call to [Take Stock of IGF 2023 and Suggest Improvements for IGF 2024](#) was open until 16 January 2024. The contributions were summarised in a [synthesis output document](#).
- A [call for thematic inputs](#) was open until 13 January 2024. The [list of received inputs](#) and an analysis are available.
- The MAG identified main themes during its first MAG meeting and open consultations.
- A [call for session proposals](#) was open until 5 May 2024, inviting all stakeholders to consider applying for the type(s) of session that best fit their interests.

In addition to the overall collective work, the MAG worked on particular segments of the Forum's preparations to advance the overall process through its working groups:

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Working Group on IGF Strategy (WG-Strategy)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/working-group-on-igf-strengthening-and-strategy-wg-ss">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/working-group-on-igf-strengthening-and-strategy-wg-ss</a>
Working Group on Workshop Process (WG-WSP)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/content/working-group-on-workshop-review-and-evaluation-process-wg-wrep">https://www.intgovforum.org/content/working-group-on-workshop-review-and-evaluation-process-wg-wrep</a>
Working Group on Youth Engagement (WG-Youth)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/working-group-on-youth-engagement">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/working-group-on-youth-engagement</a>
Working Group on Multilingualism (WG-Multilingual)	<a href="https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/working-group-on-multilingualism-wg-multilingual">https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/working-group-on-multilingualism-wg-multilingual</a>