IGF 2019 Chair's Summary

Fourteenth Meeting of Internet Governance Forum
Berlin, 25-29 November 2019

IGF 2019 at a Glance

When & where	25-29 November 2019, Berlin, Germany
Overarching theme	One World. One Net. One Vision
3 interlinked main themes informing work programme	■ Data Governance ■ Digital Inclusion ■ Security, Safety, Stability and Resilience

New to this year's IGF	■ Enhanced support for:
	  ■ Global South
	  ■ Parliamentarians
	  ■ SMEs
	■ Sustainability initiatives

IGF 2019 in numbers	■ 3,679 participants from 161 countries ■ 200 sessions

Introduction to IGF 2019

The Internet Governance Forum (IGF) 2019 brought together representatives from governments, the technical community, business and civil society to discuss amplifying digital cooperation. The IGF, convened for the fourteenth time since its establishment in 2005, was hosted by the Government of Germany in Berlin.

Under the overarching theme, 'One World. One Net. One Vision', the IGF 2019 provided a substantive multistakeholder platform for engaged and informed discussions about policy issues pertaining to the Internet, and how the Internet can support and fulfil the nexus of respecting human rights and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

IGF 2019 by the Numbers

4 days	
3,679 delegates	■ From 161 countries ■ 53% were IGF newcomers ■ 42% of delegates were female ■ 2,925 online participants ■ Around 12,000 webcast views
200 sessions	■ 10 thematic main sessions ■ 64 workshops ■ 36 Open Forums ■ 4 Best Practice Forum (BPF) sessions ■ 14 Dynamic Coalition (DC) sessions ■ 6 National, Regional and Youth IGF initiative (NRI) collaborative sessions ■ 37 Day Zero sessions ■ 16 other sessions ■ 50 IGF Village booths
Preparation processes	■ 52 members of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) ■ 3 face-to-face Open Consultation and MAG Meetings ■ 19 virtual MAG meetings ■ 5 MAG Working Groups

What Made IGF 2019 Unique

1. Highly focused themes guiding intersessional and Berlin activities
2. Strong host government vision for IGF 2019
3. Strengthened links between IGF and United Nations processes

In detail:

1. Highly Focused Themes Guiding Intersessional and Berlin Activities

An open, bottom-up Call for Thematic Inputs launched in January 2019 identified three themes as the highest priorities for IGF participants. These themes helped shape many of the preparatory and intersessional work processes for IGF 2019.

- Data governance
- Digital inclusion
- Security, safety, stability and resilience

2. Strong Host Government Vision for IGF 2019

Since first offering to host the IGF 2019 two years ago, the Government of Germany remained highly engaged in all substantive and logistical aspects of the organisation of the 14th Annual Meeting of the IGF.

2.1 Strengthened Support for the Engagement of Under-Represented Stakeholders

An important objective for the Government of Germany throughout its preparations has been to strengthen the IGF and the relevance of the multistakeholder approach to maintain a truly global, open, free and human rights-centered Internet without barriers.

Global South

The structure of IGF 2019 itself reflected the IGF's role in relation to supporting broader sustainable development issues. Responding to the call for improvement to the IGF through greater participation of developing countries, the Government of Germany provided substantial funds through the Global South Grant supported by UN DESA.

- https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/supporting-participation-at-the-igf-2019-annual-meeting

Parliamentarians

IGF 2019 included the first-ever parliamentary session as part of the main programme. The session aimed to help bring the outcomes of IGF 2019 to national legislative bodies for concrete action and follow-up.

- Jimmy Schulz Call: Messages from the parliamentarians https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/index.php?q=filedepot_download/7505/1807

Small-to-Medium Enterprises (SMEs)

As SMEs play a highly significant role in the national economies of many countries and for society at large – especially in the Global South – to better ensure SMEs' interests are part of global Internet governance discussions, the Government of Germany supported greater SME involvement at IGF 2019. SMEs agreed to nine actions needed for successful digital transformation.

- Elements of SMEs - Charter
  https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/index.php?q=filedepot_download/9212/1801

High-Level Leaders Track

On IGF 2019 Day 0, Germany's Minister of Economic Affairs and Energy chaired a meeting of more than 100 high ranking representatives from governments, business and civil society to discuss with them topics around data governance, digital inclusion and network security. The track included a Ministerial Breakfast with representatives from 28 countries and institutions.

- High-Level Meeting Summary
  https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/index.php?q=filedepot_download/9212/1800

In addition, the Government of Germany:

- Ensured all meeting rooms and facilities were fully accessible
- Provided child care services and assistance for people that need help were offered

2.2 Promoting Sustainability

To make IGF 2019 the most inclusive and innovative IGF to date, the Government of Germany encouraged the use of digital applications to make the IGF a "paperless" event. Reusable water bottles and water refilling stations were also provided for participants to reduce waste from the event and a sustainability area was installed to inform participants.

3. Strengthened Links Between IGF and United Nations Processes

IGF deliberations have long contributed to the discussions taking place every year at the United Nations General Assembly in New York at the United Nations Headquarters. IGF has existing relationships with Second and Third Committees:

- IGF is regularly referred to in the resolutions of the Second Committee (Economic & Financial), such as resolutions on Information and Communications Technologies for Sustainable Development.
- Discussions in IGF sessions on cyber threats, including cyber crime, inform the discussions at the Third Committee (Social, Humanitarian & Cultural Issues).

In 2019, IGF added active engagement with the First Committee (Disarmament and International Security Committee) as well as the United Nations Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Digital Cooperation.

New, targeted IGF communication channels

UN Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Digital Cooperation (HLPDC)

As part of the preparatory process, there were online consultations in the lead-up to Berlin to collect feedback from Internet governance stakeholders on Internet-governance-related recommendations in the HLPDC report.

https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/report-of-the-un-secretary-general%E2%80%99s-%E2%80%8Ehigh-level-panel-on-digital-cooperation

The results of the online consultation then informed discussions in Berlin on the HLPDC's Internet governance-related recommendations.

At IGF 2019, the UN Secretary-General stated, "I will soon appoint a Technology Envoy to work with governments, industry and civil society to help advance international frameworks, and nurture a shared digital future that puts people first and helps bridge the social divide."

UN General Assembly First Committee

Cybersecurity BPF outputs and Berlin IGF Messages on Security, Safety, Stability and Resilience were developed with an aim of being transmitted:

- Group of Governmental Experts on Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security
- Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) on Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security

The week after IGF 2019 in Berlin, a coordinator from the Cybersecurity BPF presented the BPF's 2019 report at the open consultation session of OEWG in New York.

https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-bpf-on-cybersecurity-contributes-to-un-oewg

Overarching theme of 14th IGF: One World. One Net. One Vision.

Hosted in a country where memories of the tearing down of a physical wall and resulting reunification are still fresh in the minds of many of its citizens, the main theme of "One World. One Net. One Vision." resonated highly with participants at IGF 2019. In a world where there is an increasing trend to erect physical barriers between nations, participants in Berlin reflected on the social, cultural and economic effects of similar barriers, both intentional and otherwise, being raised in the online world via developments as diverse as:

- Differing legal and regulatory regimes
- Efforts to undermine online security via both states and malicious actors
- The spread of misinformation via social media algorithms
- The failure to adequately address growing digital divides

High-Level Statements on the Overarching Theme

In the Opening Session of IGF 2019, United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres observed that virtual walls also have the effect of amplifying existing digital, social and political divides. He declared, "If we do not work together to address these divides, we will be remembered as the generation that ruined the early promise of the Internet."

Also in the Opening Session, the German Chancellor Angela Merkel noted that just as people's yearning for freedom, connection and a hope for progress had resulted in the fall of the Berlin Wall, the same values were behind the vision of the creators of the Internet and the World Wide Web. She urged participants: "May you be inspired by this location, where 30 years ago, when the Wall fell, it marked the dawn of a new age."

Both Guterres and Merkel supported the United Nations as the appropriate platform for reshaping global Internet governance to ensure a free, open, and decentralized Internet that is secure and stable and can support development for all. Both reinforced the IGF, a platform for all stakeholders to come together and address pressing policy issues related to the Internet, as the most appropriate forum within the United Nations for advancing and evolving Internet governance norms and frameworks.

- Full statement by UN Secretary-General António Guterres
  https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/un-secretary-general-remarks-to-the-igf-2019

- Full statement by German Chancellor Angela Merkel
  https://www.bundeskanzlerin.de/bkin-de/aktuelles/rede-von-bundeskanzlerin-angela-merkel-zur-eroeffnung-des-14-internet-governance-forums-26-november-2019-in-berlin-1698264

IGF 2019 Messages

The three main themes identified by IGF participants as the highest priorities for 2019 complement the overarching theme of IGF 2019, "One World. One Net. One Vision":

- **Data governance** addresses the challenges of strengthening the protection of people's fundamental rights and freedoms while working to ensure there is one interconnected and global Internet.
- Digital exclusion results entrenches social and economic divides and exclusion based on gender, race, identity and income. **Digital inclusion** is to "One network. One world. One vision" what social inclusion and human rights are to sustainable development and security.
- **Safety, Security, Stability and Resilience** are paramount for the Internet to achieve its potential as a channel of free speech and an engine for economic growth.

To provide a high-level overview for decision-makers of the most current thinking on key Internet governance issues, discussions from 200 sessions held during IGF 2019 have been distilled into Berlin IGF Messages on the three main themes. The Berlin IGF Messages are available at:

https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/berlin-igf-messages

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Messages by the UN Secretary-General & the Chancellor of Germany on main themes

Digital Inclusion

- Technical innovations are there to serve people and not the other way around.
- We need to better understand the relationship between digital advances and inequality: inequality and exclusion drive social unrest and conflict; digital technologies can either widen digital, social and economic divides, or be a force to help reduce them.
- Attacks against Internet connectivity have become a dangerous instrument of politics.

Data Governance

- Flows of data and information link up communities, cities, countries and continents, bringing people together beyond traditional barriers established through politics, through religion or social status.
- Artificial Intelligence and algorithms, if not governed effectively, can be used to monitor and manipulate behaviour, to besiege us with ever more targeted and intrusive advertising, to manipulate voters and to stifle freedom of expression.

Security, Safety, Stability and Resilience

- The answers to whether we become more, or less, secure and safe depends on our ability to work together across disciplines and actors, across nations and political divides.
- Low-intensity cyber-conflict between major States is not a prediction for the future but a feature of the present. In such a climate, mechanisms that build trust and cooperation are indispensable.

IGF 2019 Intersessional Work Tracks

Best Practice Forums

There were four IGF Best Practice Forums (BPFs) in the leadup to the Berlin IGF:

BPF	Area of work
BPF on Cybersecurity	Implementing cybersecurity agreements
BPF on Gender and Access	Beyond access: Women and gender-diverse people's participation in the digital economy
BPF on Internet of Things, Big Data and Artificial Intelligence	Using IoT, Big Data, AI to address societal challenges
BPF on Local Content	Promoting and preserving linguistic diversity, cultural heritage and local content in contexts of political upheaval

BPF sessions on these topics exchanged views on policy challenges and best practices with relevant experts and stakeholder representatives.

Insights and community feedback from the Berlin sessions have been fed into the final reports published as outputs of the IGF 2019 BPFs.

Dynamic Coalitions

IGF Dynamic Coalitions (DCs) continued their work as independent, multistakeholder expert discussion groups on a variety of topics, respecting common standards of transparency and inclusiveness (open archives, open membership, open mailing lists).

National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives

More than 120 National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs) used a bottom-up consultative process to agree on the topic,'"Emerging Technologies", as a main priority issue for NRI discussion in Berlin. In addition, based on national and regional discussions held in NRIs in the leadup to IGF 2019, NRIs organized six collaborative sessions on topics of mutual interest:

- Access
- Cybersecurity
- Human rights
- Online content regulation
- Privacy and data protection

To discuss the long-term sustainability of the NRIs, there was an NRIs Coordination Session in which all NRIs present in Berlin met with the representatives of the UN DESA, MAG, IGF Secretariat and wider IGF community.

More information about the intersessional work of the IGF is available in Annex B.

Annex A: IGF 2019 Statistics

Breakdown of Onsite Participants by Stakeholder and Region Groups

By stakeholder (percentage)		By region (percentage)	
Government	18%	African Group	10%
Legislator	3%	Asia-Pacific Group	12%
Intergovernmental Organization	4%	Eastern European Group	9%
Civil Society	42%	Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)	9%
Private Sector	19%	Western European and Others Group (WEOG)	55%
Technical Community	11%	Intergovernmental Organization	5%
Press/Media	3%		

Global Engagement in Berlin

122 National, Regional and Youth IGFs (NRIs) represented	■ 56 physically present in Berlin ■ 6 more countries have established IGF processes since IGF 2018 ■ 4 communities established Youth IGFs since IGF 2018 ■ 122 NRIs established in total (not all present in Berlin)
55 remote hubs	■ Represented all 5 regions ■ 54% from Africa ■ 6% from Latin America and Caribbean ■ 14% from Asia Pacific ■ 19% from WEOG ■ 7% from Eastern Europe ■ Multiple hubs in Nigeria, Ghana, Chad, Benin, Botswana, Kenya, South Africa, Uganda, India, Russia, Canada, Germany

Annex B: Documentation and Process

IGF 2019 Outputs

IGF 2019 outputs, including Berlin IGF messages, session reports, press releases, IGF host government reports and IGF participant statements, can be found at:

https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-outputs

IGF 2019 Session Reports, Recordings and Transcripts

Reports	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/igf-2019-reports
Transcripts	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/igf-2019-transcripts
Recordings	https://www.youtube.com/user/igf

IGF 2019 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:

Best Practice Forums (BPFs)

Cybersecurity	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/bpf-cybersecurity-1
Gender and Access	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/bpf-gender-and-access
IoT, Big Data, AI	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/bpf-internet-of-things-iot-big-data-and-artificial-intelligence-ai
Local Content	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/bpf-local-content-0

Dynamic Coalitions (DCs)

Accessibility and Disability	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-accessibility-and-disability-1
Blockchain Technologies	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-blockchain-technologies-0
Child Online Safety	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-child-online-safety-1

Community Connectivity	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-community-connectivity-0
Core Internet Values	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-core-internet-values-2
DNS Issues	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-dns-issues-dc-dnsi
Gender and Internet Governance	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-gender-and-internet-governance
Innovative Approaches to Connecting the Unconnected	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-innovative-approaches-to-connecting-the-unconnected-0
Internet of Things	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-internet-of-things-0
Internet Rights & Principles	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-internet-rights-and-principles-1
Network Neutrality	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-network-neutrality-1
Platform Responsibility	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-platform-responsibility
Public Access in Libraries	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-public-access-in-libraries-dc-pal
Publicness	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-publicness
Schools of Internet Governance	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-schools-of-internet-governance
Small Island Developing States in the Internet Economy	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-small-island-developing-states-in-the-internet-economy-dc-sids
Sustainability of Journalism and News Media	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dynamic-coalition-on-the-sustainability-of-journalism-and-news-media-dc-sustainability
Youth Coalition on Internet Governance	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/youth-coalition-on-internet-governance-1

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 the Internet Governance from the perspective of their respective communities, while acting in accordance with the main principles of the global IGF. Below are the sources where to find more information about the NRIs and their work.

About the NRIs	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-regional-and-national-initiatives
National IGFs	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/national-igf-initiatives
Regional IGFs	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/regional-igf-initiatives
Youth IGFs	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/youth-initiatives
NRI meetings in 2019	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/nris-annual-meetings
Preparatory work of the NRIs	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-nris%C2%A0preparatory-process

IGF 2019 Preparatory Process

The IGF meeting programme is prepared by the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) and 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.

In a new approach to shaping the programme in 2019, the MAG used the submissions received in response to the annual public call for issues to develop a more thematic, focused and non-duplicative design of the schedule. For the first time at the Berlin IGF, for each of the three main themes developed from the call for issues, there was an introductory session to set the scene for all the discussions happening throughout the week, and a concluding session to reflect on these discussions.

November 2018	In its Open Forum during IGF 2018, Paris, France, the Government of Germany shared a vision that the IGF 2019 that would be innovative and inclusive.
3 December 2018	Incoming MAG members online orientation session
21 December 2018	Call for Issues published. Submission deadline: 24 January 2019 ■ Analysis of input https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/index.php?q=filedepot_download/7544/1495
22 January 2019	Deadline for proposals for 2019 Best Practice Forums
28-30 January 2019	1st set of Open Consultations and MAG Meetings, Geneva https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-first-open-consultations-and-mag-meeting
4 March 2019	Calls for following published: ■ Workshop proposals ■ Dynamic Coalition sessions ■ Open Forums ■ Day 0 events ■ IGF Village booths

	Submission deadline: 14 April 2019
9 April 2019	Call for applications for travel support to IGF 2019.
	Submission deadline: 30 June 2019
15 May 2019	Side event hosted by the UN DESA, the German Mission and the United Arab Emirates Mission during the 2019 Multi-Stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI Forum) to brief Member States and discuss important substantive issues related to IGF 2019 involving other stakeholders.
	■ The Multistakeholder-Multidisciplinary Approach to Internet Governance, Science, Technology and Innovation: A prelude to the 14th Session of the Internet Governance Forum in Berlin November 2019 http://intgovforum.org/pipermail/igfmaglist_intgovforum.org/attachments/20190510/ad3568f2/attachment-0007.pdf
9-11 April 2019	2nd set of Open Consultations and MAG Meetings, Geneva https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-second-open-consultations-and-mag-meeting
5-7 June 2019	3rd set of Open Consultations and MAG Meetings, Berlin https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-third-open-consultations-and-mag-meeting
24 July 2019	Registration for IGF 2019 opens (for both physical and online participation)
	Registration for remote hub opens. Deadline: 25 October 2019

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

Working Group on Fundraising (WG-FUN)	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/working-group-on-fundraising-wg-fun
Working Group on IGF Improvements (WG-IMP)	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/working-group-on-igf-improvements-wg-imp
Working Group on Outreach and Engagement (WG-OE)	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/working-group-on-outreach-and-engagement-wg-oe-0
Working Group on Workshop Process (WG-WSP)	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/working-group-on-workshop-review-and-evaluation-process-wg-wrep
Working Group on Reporting (WG-Reporting)	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/ad-hoc-working-group-on-reporting-wg-reporting

Annex C: Co-located Meetings, Events and Launches

Because IGF is the one annual event at which the widest range of Internet governance stakeholders are present, many organizations and groups choose to launch new processes, books, studies and reports at the IGF; others choose to co-locate their meetings at IGF.

Launches and Announcements

There were a number of launches and announcements made throughout the week of IGF 2019:

Towards a Global Framework for CyberPeace and Digital Cooperation: An Agenda for the 2020s	https://www.nextgenig.org/home
GISWatch report on artificial intelligence and human rights	https://www.giswatch.org/2019-artificial-intelligence-human-rights-social-justice-and-development
Busted! The Truth About the 50 Most Common Internet Myths	https://www.internetmythen.de/en/
Internet & Jurisdiction Global Status Report	https://www.internetjurisdiction.net/news/launch-of-worlds-first-internet-jurisdiction-global-status-report-at-igf-2019
Many Worlds. Many Nets. Many Visions.	https://www.hiig.de/publication/many-worlds-many-nets-many-visions
Mozilla and BMZ Announce Cooperation to Open Up Voice Technology for African Languages	https://blog.mozilla.org/blog/2019/11/25/mozilla-and-bmz-announce-cooperation-to-open-up-voice-technology-for-african-languages/
Digital Justice Manifesto	https://justnetcoalition.org/digital-justice-manifesto.pdf
2019 EQUALS in Tech Awards	https://www.equals.org/single-post/2019/11/27/PRESS-RELEASE-EQUALS-in-Tech-Awards-celebrate-five-outstanding-initiatives-to-promote-digital-gender-equality
Contract for the Web	https://contractfortheweb.org/

Day Zero Meetings and Events

Day Zero has become a key day for IGF participants to hold pre-events focused on specific stakeholder and interest groups and their activities. The Government of Germany makes room available on Day Zero for these activities.

Meetings and Events

Below is a list of forums and summits that co-located their meetings at IGF 2019 on Day Zero.

Youth IGF Summit (Gesellschaft für Informatik)	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-17-youth-igf-summit
14th Annual Symposium of the Global Internet Governance Academic Network	https://www.giga-net.org/2019-annual-symposium
Center for International Media Assistance (CIMA): Media Development and Internet Governance Symposium	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-7-media-development-and-internet-governance-symposium
Informal Meeting of the Freedom Online Coalition	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-35-informal-meeting-of-the-freedom-online-coalition
3rd German-Arab Forum on the Digital Economy	https://www.ema-germany.org/en/events/regional-forums/digital-forum/2019/program/?_wb=en/events/regional-forums/digital-forum/2019/program/&lang=EN
Internet Commons Forum	http://www.intcomforum.org

Presentations of reports, progress reports and studies

Day Zero is used by organizations to present reports and studies that have been announced before IGF 2019.

Pew Research Center and Elon University: presentation of the findings of the 2019 "Imagining the Internet" report	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-38-imagining-the-next-%E2%80%8E%E2%80%8E50-years-of-digital-life%E2%80%8E
UNESCO: Presentations of national assessments conducted using the R.O.A.M.-X indicators (Rights, Openness, Access, Multi-stakeholder, Crosscutting) Framework	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-3-improving-evidence-based-internet-policies-unesco-calls-for-your
Missions Publiques: Presentation of the 2019 results of the Global Citizens' Debate on the future of Internet	http://wetheinternet.org

Informational and coordination sessions for specific groups and stakeholders

Increasingly, some stakeholder and special interest groups hold sessions on Day Zero to prepare their members for the week of IGF.

Civil society coordination meeting	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-43-civil-society-coordination-meeting
Parliamentary perspective and opportunities for action	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-36-parliamentary-perspective-and-opportunities-for-action
IGF crash-course on emerging technologies	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-34-igf-crash-course-on-emerging-technologies
Collaborative Leadership Exchange	https://www.internetsociety.org/fellowship/collaborative-leadership-exchange

Regional dialogues

NRIs and their work track at IGFs provide one avenue for regional coordination and discussion on Internet governance issues. Day Zero sessions also provide an opportunity for regional discussions and coordination.

IGF Regional Dialogue: Overcoming Barriers to Meaningful Participation in the MENA Region	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-51-igf-regional-dialogue-overcoming-barriers-to-meaningful-participation
Technology and Surveillance in Latin America: Towards Human Rights Standards	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2019-pre-event-42-technology-and-surveillance-in-latin-america-towards-human-rights

Bilateral Meetings

The Government of Germany made available a number of smaller rooms to facilitate bilateral, non-public, meetings between participants wishing to take advantage of the wide range of organizations and participants available onsite in Berlin.

2nd Physical Meeting of the Open Consultation Process for the WSIS Forum 2020

The IGF was an outcome of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Tunisa Agenda. IGF 2019 supported the ongoing and wider process of implementing the WSIS outcomes by hosting the second physical meeting of the Open Consultation Process for the WSIS Forum 2020:

https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2020/Home/Consultations