

Invitation for parliamentarians

Save the Date! Global Summit of Parliamentarians during the IGF in Berlin, Germany, from 25 to 29 November 2019

On behalf of the host of this year's Internet Governance Forum (IGF), the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, I would like to cordially invite you to join us at the upcoming IGF, taking place from 25 to 29 November 2019 in Berlin. During the IGF parliamentarians from across the world will be meeting to discuss various pressing issues around the Internet under the overarching theme: One World. One Net. One Vision.

The IGF will start on Day 0, Monday, 25 November, with a special session for parliamentarians focusing on the "Parliamentary perspectives and opportunities for action". Throughout the entire week a dedicated programme is organized including a meeting with Peter Altmaier, the Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy. On Thursday, 28 November, a dedicated workshop is held focusing on the security of the Internet through the use of standards, including potential roles politicians could have in developing such standards. On Friday, 29 November, all parliamentarians will convene in a summit with the aim to send a strong and united message from the IGF.

You will have an excellent opportunity to meet with colleagues, but also participants from the industry, the technical community, academia, policy makers and civil society. At the IGF you can exchange respective views, bring in your perspective on urgent topics in your country, identify opportunities and challenges and try to find common grounds.

In order to make your participation most beneficial for you, we would like to know which digital topic is on the top of your agenda, e.g. access, security, e-health, etc., in order to connect you with organizers and speakers of related panels at the IGF. Your perspective as a law and policy maker will bring in a lot of value to the debate.

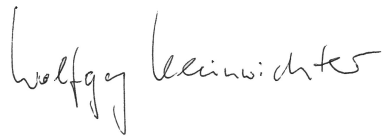
Travel support can be granted for parliamentarians from countries mentioned on the DAC list at https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-financestandards/DAC_List_ODA_Recipients2018to2020_flows_En.pdf.

Detailed information as well as the official invitation from the President of the German Parliament, Dr. Wolfgang Schäuble, has already been sent to the heads of parliaments worldwide, but additionally we would also like to personally invite you to pencil these dates in your calendar.

Kindly contact us at IGF2019@medienstadt-leipzig.org if you have any questions and let us know how we would be able to assist you.

We, Medienstadt Leipzig e.V., are a German not-for-profit association, supporting the host in this particular matter and will be at your disposal before and throughout the IGF.

Wolfgang Kleinwächter
Chair of the Board



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