Internet Governance Forum 2026

Parliamentary Track: Practical information

The Republic of Kenya will host the United Nations Internet Governance Forum (IGF 2026) from **14 to 18 December 2026** in Nairobi.

IGF 2026 VENUE

IGF 2026 will take place at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre, Nairobi, Kenya.

For more information, please visit the IGF 2026 Host Country website: www.igf2026.ke.

HYBRID IGF

IGF 2026 will be hosted in a hybrid format to allow for the meaningful participation of stakeholders whether they are present on site or participating online. Participants who cannot travel to Nairobi will be able to attend sessions of the Parliamentary Track and the overall IGF meeting via a dedicated online platform. More details will be made available on the IGF 2026 Parliamentary Track webpage closer to the time of the event.

IGF 2026 SCHEDULE

The overall IGF 2026 schedule will be made available on the IGF website.

ORGANIZATION OF THE IGF 2026 PARLIAMENTARY TRACK

As part of the IGF, various activities dedicated to members of parliament, known as the IGF Parliamentary Track, are being jointly organized by the United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs, the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the Parliament of Kenya.

The Parliamentary Track will be held on **16 and 17 December 2026**. The programme of the Parliamentary Track and all other relevant information will be published on the IGF 2026 Parliamentary Track webpage.

Members of parliament and staff (maximum delegation size: four people per parliament) are also encouraged to attend other sessions outside the Parliamentary Track on the IGF schedule, which will be published on the IGF website.

Members of Parliament and staff interested in actively contributing to IGF sessions can reach out to parliamentarytrack@intgovforum.org for more information.

REGISTRATION FOR IGF 2026 (including the Parliamentary Track)

Members of parliament and staff – whether they plan to join the IGF in person in Nairobi or online – are required to register for IGF 2026 via the INDICO registration link.

TRAVEL SUPPORT FOR THE GLOBAL SOUTH

Limited funds are being made available by the United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) to support the participation of stakeholders from the Global South in IGF 2026.

Parliamentarians who meet the below eligibility criteria are invited to submit their application via email to Ms. Catalina Soare at the IGF Secretariat at catalina.soare@un.org, and to Ms. Dorothy Kingoo at dorothy.kingoo@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)
- Date of arrival and departure
- City of departure and return
- The type of support requested
    - Accommodation only
    - Full travel support (accommodation and travel costs)

Parliamentarians can request full travel support or support for accommodation only. Please note that candidates requesting partial travel support (accommodation only) may be given preference.

Parliamentarians will be informed about the status of their application after the submission deadline. For all questions about travel support, please contact Ms. Catalina Soare at catalina.soare@un.org and Ms. Dorothy Kingoo at dorothy.kingoo@un.org.

Eligibility criteria

To be considered for travel support, parliamentarians must:

- be from a least developed country, landlocked developing country, small island developing State or an economy in transition,
- be a member of an official delegation of a Parliament of a UN Member State,
- commit to participate in the IGF 2026 Parliamentary Track.

Applicants should be aware of and be able to comply with Kenyan entry regulations, which are detailed on the IGF 2026 Host Country website: www.igf2026.ke.

VISA, TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Relevant information on visa requirements, travel to Kenya and accommodation options in the city are available on the IGF 2026 Host Country website: www.igf2026.ke.

Participants (with the exception of those receiving travel support) are responsible for making their own arrangements for travel and accommodation. Participants are encouraged to secure a hotel room as soon as possible.

All participants are responsible for making their own visa arrangements.

DEDICATED MAILING LIST

A mailing list has been set up to facilitate communication with and among members of parliament interested in participating in the IGF 2026 Parliamentary Track.

Parliamentarians and parliamentary staff are invited to subscribe via this webpage.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For any additional information, please visit the following websites:

- IGF 2026 | Internet Governance Forum (IGF)
- IGF 2026 Parliamentary Track | Internet Governance Forum (IGF)
- IGF 2026 Parliamentary Track | Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)
- IGF 2026 Kenya

CONTACT

For any further questions or requests for information regarding the Parliamentary Track at IGF 2026, please contact Mr. Roman Chukov (roman.chukov@un.org), Ms. Eleonora Mazzucchi (eleonora.mazzucchi@un.org) and Ms. Dorothy Kingoo (dorothy.kingoo@un.org) with copies to parliamentarytrack@intgovforum.org and ar@ipu.org.