



Call for Session Proposals

Rwanda Internet Governance Forum (RwIGF) 2026

The Rwanda Internet Governance Forum (RwIGF) Secretariat invites stakeholders from government, the private sector, civil society, Academia, the technical community, youth groups, media, and international partners to submit session proposals for its annual national forum 2026 Edition.

As Rwanda accelerates its digital transformation journey and embraces emerging technologies, it is important to create inclusive spaces where stakeholders can discuss the opportunities and challenges associated with the evolving digital landscape. Rwanda Internet Governance Forum (RwIGF) serves as Rwanda's premier multi-stakeholder platform for dialogue on Internet governance and digital policy issues, bringing together representatives from government institutions, the private sector, technical communities, academia, civil society organizations, youth groups, media, development partners, and international organizations.

Under the theme **“Advancing Inclusive, Trusted, and Multi-Stakeholder Internet Governance for Rwanda’s Digital Future”**, RwIGF 2026 seeks to foster meaningful multi-stakeholder dialogue on the opportunities, challenges, and policy issues shaping Rwanda’s digital ecosystem. As Rwanda continues to advance its digital transformation agenda, the Forum provides a unique platform for stakeholders to exchange perspectives, share experiences, identify emerging priorities, and contribute to the development of actionable recommendations that can inform national Internet governance processes.

We welcome innovative, interactive, and solution-oriented session proposals that address critical issues such as digital inclusion and meaningful connectivity, cybersecurity and digital trust, data governance and privacy, artificial intelligence and emerging technologies, digital rights, online safety, digital innovation, and the future of Internet governance in Rwanda.

This call presents an opportunity for organizations and individuals to lead conversations, showcase best practices, highlight research and innovations, and contribute to shaping a secure, inclusive, resilient, and people-centered digital future for Rwanda.



Join us in building a stronger multi-stakeholder dialogue and ensuring that diverse voices contribute to the future of Internet governance in Rwanda.

Why Submit a Session Proposal?

Session organizers play a critical role in shaping the discussions and outcomes of the Forum. By submitting a proposal, you will have the opportunity to:

- Lead important conversations on emerging digital issues.
- Share innovative ideas, research findings, policies, and best practices.
- Showcase successful initiatives and lessons learned.
- Engage directly with policymakers, industry leaders, technical experts, and citizens.
- Contribute recommendations that can inform national digital policies and strategies.
- Connect Rwanda's perspectives to regional and global Internet governance discussions.

Suggested Topics

The Rwanda IGF MAG welcomes proposals addressing, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Artificial Intelligence Governance and Accountability in Rwanda
- Cybersecurity and Digital Trust
- Child Online Protection and Online Safety
- Data Governance, Privacy and Protection
- Digital Inclusion and Meaningful Connectivity
- Universal Access and Affordable Internet
- Digital Public Infrastructure
- Internet Infrastructure and Technical Resilience
- Digital Rights and Freedoms
- Platform Governance and Content Moderation
- Emerging Technologies and Innovation
- Digital Economy and Entrepreneurship



- Digital Public Infrastructure and Virtual Assets Regulation: Building a Trusted Digital Economy for Rwanda
- Youth Participation in Internet Governance
- Gender and Technology
- Internet Governance Capacity Building
- Environmental Sustainability and Digital Technologies
- Parliamentarians and Digital Governance
- Multi-stakeholder Approaches to Digital Policy Development

Session Formats

We encourage innovative and interactive formats, including:

- Panel Discussions
- Workshops
- Presentations
- Lightning Talks
- Youth-Led Sessions
- Technical Demonstrations
- Best Practice Forums

Selection Criteria

Session proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Relevance to the Forum theme
- Policy significance and timeliness
- Multi-stakeholder representation
- Diversity and inclusion considerations
- Interactivity and participant engagement
- Potential impact and actionable outcomes
- Originality and innovation



Who Can Apply?

Applications are welcome from:

- Government institutions
- Regulatory authorities
- Academic and research institutions
- Civil society organizations
- Technical community organizations
- Private sector companies
- Start-ups and innovators
- Development partners
- Youth organizations
- Individual experts and practitioners

Important Dates

- Call Opens: 20 April 2026
- Submission Deadline: 26 June 2026
- Notification of Acceptance: 03 July 2026
- Rwanda Internet Governance Forum 2026: 30 July 2026

Submit Your Proposal

We encourage all stakeholders to take part in shaping Rwanda's digital future by proposing dynamic, inclusive, and impactful sessions.

Together, let us build a trusted, inclusive, and innovative Internet ecosystem that supports Rwanda's aspirations for sustainable digital development.

Submit your proposal on the following link: <https://rwigf.rw/suggest-topic>