



**IGF** Internet  
Governance  
Forum

# INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM

## ABOUT THE IGF AND HOW TO ENGAGE IN IGF 2023

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# About the IGF

World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), two phase:

- *Phase I, 2003: stakeholder requested the United Nations Secretary-General to establish a multi-stakeholder Working Group on Internet Governance (WGIG)*
- *Phase II, 2005: Paragraph 72 of the Tunis Agenda called on the UN Secretary-General to convene the IGF*

*“Internet governance is the development and application by governments, the private sector and civil society, in their respective roles, of shared principles, norms, rules, decision-making procedures, and programmes that shape the evolution and use of the Internet.”*

*(Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, World Summit on the Information Society, 2005 )*

The convening of the IGF announced on 18 July 2006. Inaugural meeting held in Athens, Greece, from 30 October to 2 November 2006.

*For more information, consult: ["About the IGF" brochure](#) | [IGF FAQs](#)*

# IGF Structure and Working Mechanism

## IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group

[\(TOR link\)](#)

## IGF Leadership Panel

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## UN IGF Secretariat

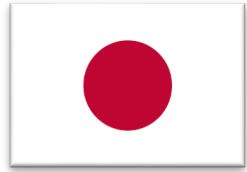
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Core principles of the IGF: open, bottom-up, inclusive, transparent, non-commercial community-centred process

Funding is extrabudgetary

# IGF Host Countries



2023 IGF Kyoto, Japan

2022 IGF Addis Ababa



2021 IGF Katowice



2020 IGF vIGF



2019 IGF Berlin



2018 IGF Paris



2017 IGF Geneva



2016 IGF Jalisco



2015 IGF João Pessoa



2014 IGF Istanbul



2013 IGF Bali



2012 IGF Baku



2011 IGF Nairobi



2010 IGF Vilnius



2009 IGF Sharm El Sheikh



2008 IGF Hyderabad



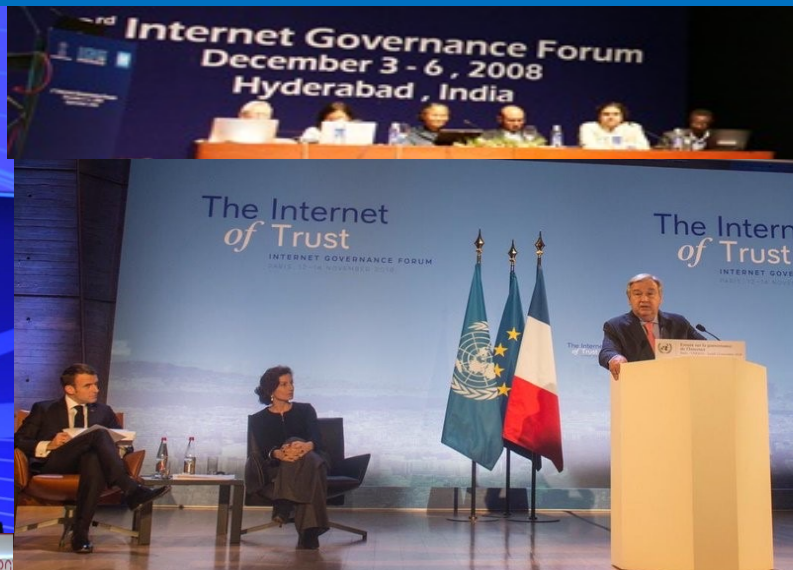
2007 IGF Rio de Janeiro



2006 IGF Athens



# 18 years of the IGF



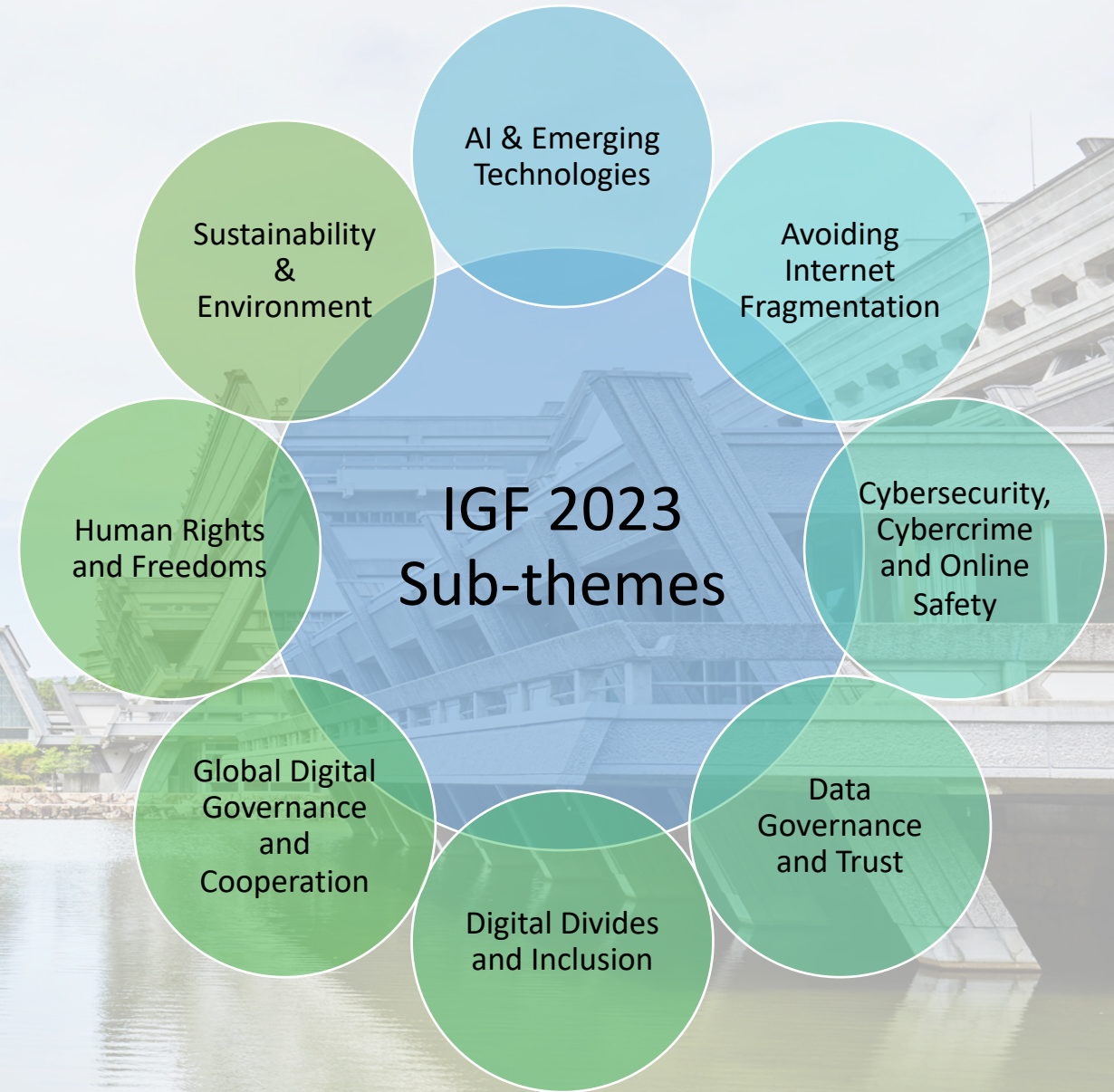
# IGF – PLATFORM FOR ALL STAKEHOLDERS FROM ALL REGIONS



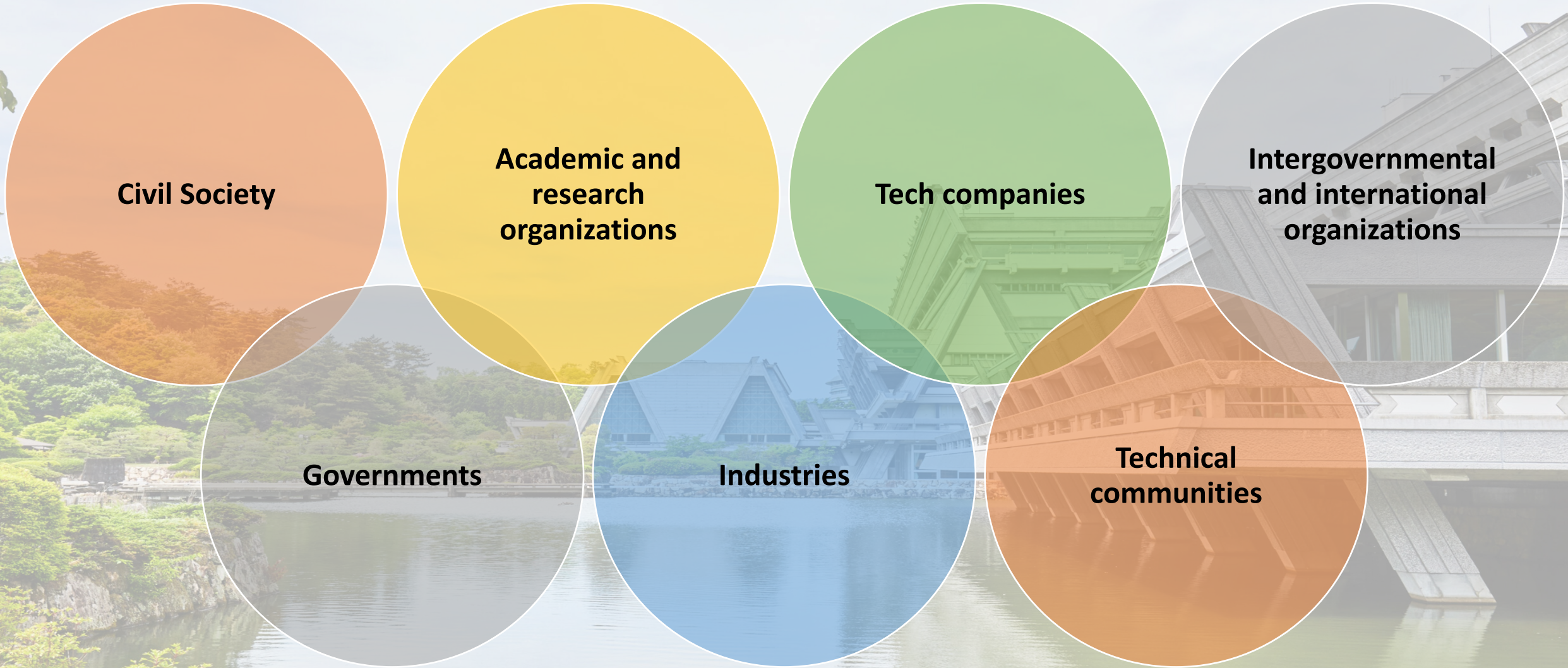
**IGF 2022 and the 17th annual IGF outputs:**

- **Addis Ababa IGF Messages**
- **5 000 stakeholders from 170+ countries**

- ***The 18<sup>th</sup> annual IGF Meeting is hosted by the Government of Japan in Kyoto from 8 to 12 October 2023.***
- ***The overarching theme is: The Internet We Want – Empowering All People.***
- ~~*Stakeholders are invited to submit session proposals until **19 May** on eight sub-themes. Record number of session proposals received: 800+*~~



# IGF 2023: INTERACT, CONNECT, EXCHANGE, COOPERATE







## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

**Discuss your issues and shape  
our digital future!**



**Accountability**



**Innovation**



**Standards & values**



**Brainstorm with decision-makers & users**



**Partner and cooperate**



# JOURNEY TO IGF 2023 IN KYOTO

## *IGF 2023 intersessional work develops through open multistakeholder cooperation throughout the year*

<p><b>Best Practice Forums (BPFs)</b> <i>multistakeholder networks focusing on existing and emerging good practices</i></p>	<p><b>Policy Networks (PNs)</b> <i>multistakeholder efforts that provide in-depth expert view on broad Internet governance topics of global population's interest</i></p>			<p><b>Dynamic Coalitions (DCs)</b> <i>open, multistakeholder and community-driven initiatives dedicated to exploring a certain Internet governance issue or group of issues</i></p>
<p><b>BPF Cybersecurity</b></p>	<p><b>PN Internet Fragmentation (PNIF)</b></p>	<p><b>PN Meaningful Access (PNMA)</b></p>	<p><b>PN Artificial Intelligence (PNAI)</b></p>	<p><b>24 DCs focused on particular IG issues</b></p>
<p>Cybersecurity agreements; norms; cooperation and interplay between norms and cybercrime legislation</p>	<p>What is Internet fragmentation and what could be the codes of conduct to prevent it?</p>	<p>How to achieve meaningful and universal access for all?</p>	<p>What is the link between AI and data governance?</p>	<p>DCs on accessibility; blockchain; child rights online; connectivity; Internet values; data; health; DNS; gender; jobs; IoT; rights; IG schools; media; Internet universality indicators; security; environment and more.</p>

# IGF 2023 CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

- Support to Global South through capacity development workshops; travel support; grants to NRIs; supporting remote hubs; inclusion of women and girls, youth, parliamentarians, IGF newcomers, schools on IG etc.

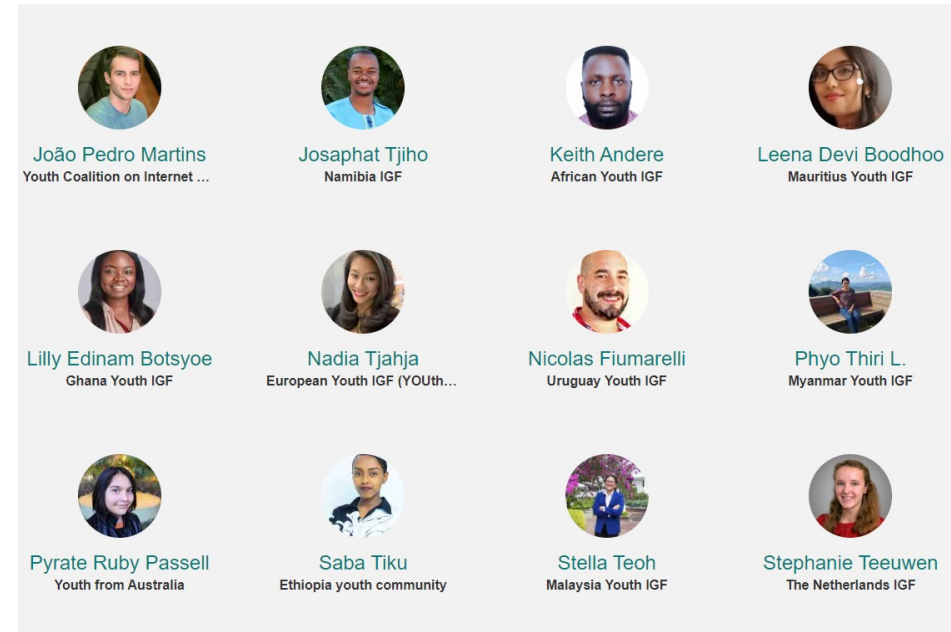
## IGF 2023 PARLIAMENTARY TRACK

*Discussing legislative approaches to **shaping our common digital future** with and among MPs from different parts of the world through workshops and parliamentary roundtable in Kyoto.*

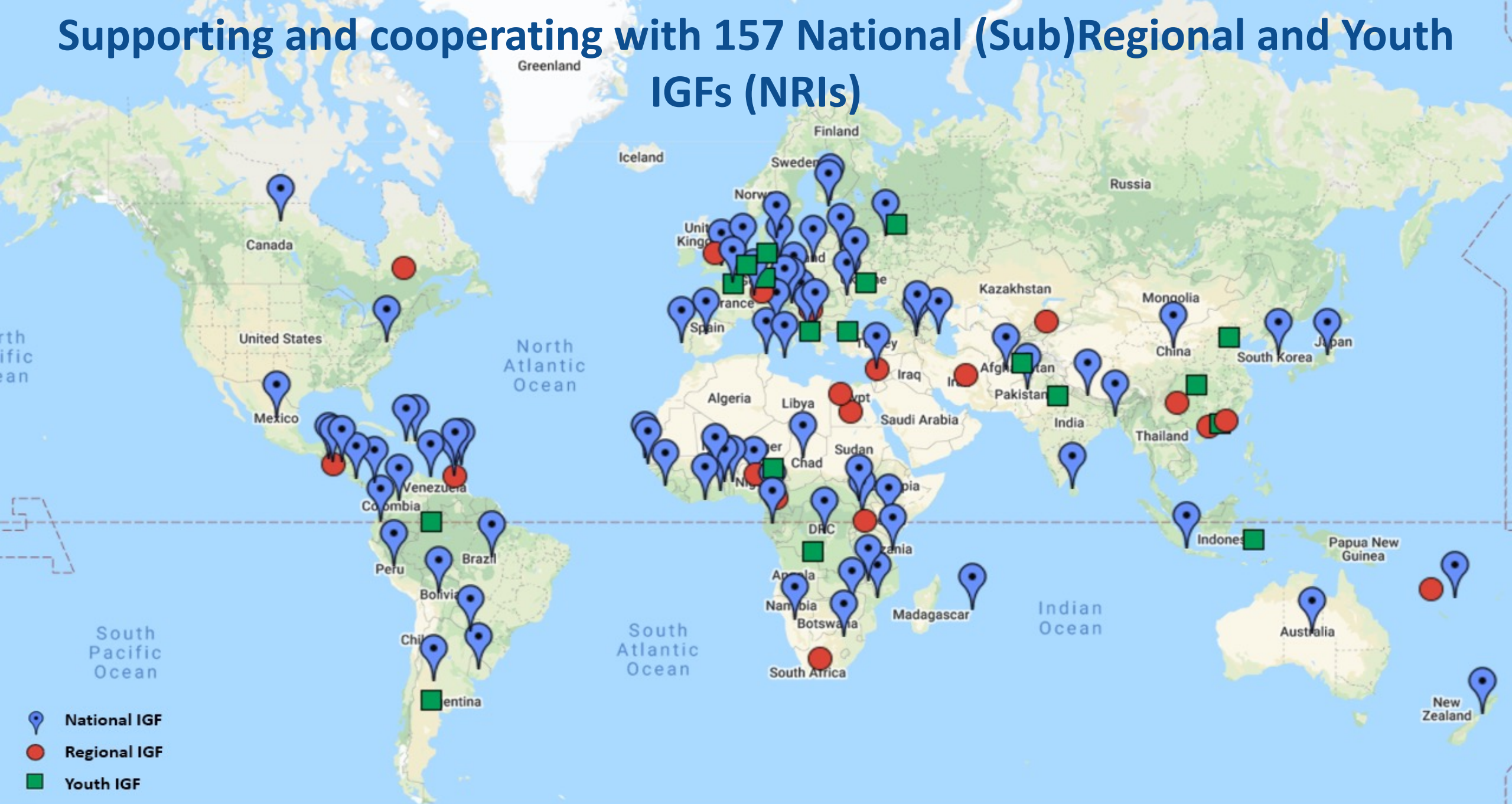


## IGF 2023 YOUTH TRACK

*Cooperation with youth IGFs, int. youth-focused organizations, IGF 2023 Host Country and IGF Secretariat. Capacity development track focused on **safe digital future**. Capacity development workshops leading to IGF 2023 Global Youth Summit in Kyoto.*



# Supporting and cooperating with 157 National (Sub)Regional and Youth IGFs (NRIs)



-  National IGF
-  Regional IGF
-  Youth IGF

# IGF Strategy and Future

- **IGF 2023 Second Open Consultations and MAG Meeting:** 10-12 July, UN at Geneva
- Leadership Panel Meeting 13-14 July, UN at Geneva



# Join us in Kyoto!

- **Connecting** with stakeholders: through discussions and bilaterally (book your bilateral room!)
- **Learning** from the sessions and **contributing** with your ideas
- Different programme components represented:
  - **Ceremonial | High-level leaders' track**
  - **300+ sessions on different session formats**
  - **Youth track | Parliamentary track**
  - **Open Mic – speak up!**
  - **Walk the IGF Village – virtually and onsite**

*... and much more*



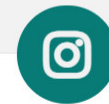
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