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## DRAFT PROGRAMME OUTLINE AT A GLANCE

Time	Day 1 – 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug 21 <sup>st</sup> CIGF & 4 <sup>th</sup> CYIGF	Day 2 – 21 <sup>st</sup> Aug 21 <sup>st</sup> CIGF	Day 3 – 22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug 21 <sup>st</sup> CIGF
AM	Opening Remarks / Day 1 Overview	Opening Ceremony (CTU, CCS, ARIN, LACNIC, ICANN, ISOC, UNIGF, CUBA)	Hot Topics in IG
	Capacity Building Session	Introduction to Internet Governance & CIGF @ 21	Panel Discussion
AM	Capacity Building Session	<b>National, Regional &amp; Global IG Contexts:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from National IGFs (T&amp;T, SVG, Haiti, Guyana et al)</li> <li>• Report from LACIGF</li> <li>• UN IGF and support for National &amp; Regional Initiatives (NRIs)</li> </ul>	Cuba Focus Session
PM	Caribbean Youth IGF Session	Policy Forum	Cuba Focus Session
PM	Caribbean Youth IGF Session (Cont'd)	Policy Forum and Workshop (Cont'd)	Policy Synthesis Session  Open Microphone  Conclusions and Next Steps
Evening		Networking Reception	

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## 20<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Internet Governance Forum

DAY 1: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Cuba

### Provisional Agenda

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 20 AUGUST 2025		
TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
09:00	Opening Remarks	<b>Dr. Terri-Karelle Johnson</b> Host of Ceremonies
09:15	<b>Capacity Building Session 1</b> Introduction to Internet Governance. Current Issues, Status and Outlook	<b>Mr. Juan Fernández González</b> Member of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG), Advisor at the Ministry of Communications of Cuba (MINCOM) <b>Mr. Chengetai Masango</b> Head of Office, UN IGF Secretariat.
10:15	COFFEE BREAK	
10:30	<b>Capacity Building Session 2:</b> Topic Areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Cyber Resilience in the Digital Economy: Focus on e-Commerce Logistics</li> <li>– Data Governance for Regional Use and Problem Solving: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Encouraging the generation of regional data</li> <li>○ Identifying and prioritising problem issues and data sources</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Digital Governance</li> </ul>	<b>Moderator: Ms. Shanea Lewis, CTU</b>  <b>Mr. Tracy F. Hackshaw</b> Chef d'entreprise, .POST, Universal Postal Union (UPU)  <b>Messrs. Abdullah Ali and Kevin Baboolal (Remote)</b> Researchers  <b>Prof. Maurice McNaughton (Remote)</b>
12:00	LUNCH BREAK	



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**4<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Youth Internet Governance Forum**  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025**  
**Cuba**  
**Provisional Agenda**

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 20 AUGUST 2025		
Time (AST)	Session	Speakers
13:30	Introductory Remarks	<b>Terri-Karelle Johnson</b> Host of Ceremonies
13:35	Welcome Remarks	<b>Mr. Tariq Mohammed</b> Chair, Caribbean ICT Youth Network & Caribbean Youth Internet Governance Forum Coordinator  <b>Mr. Jose Carlos Cruz Sandoval</b> Vice President of the Informatics and Communications Enterprise Group of Cuba (GEIC)
13:45	Panel 1: <b>Development and use of Artificial Intelligence in the Caribbean for Digital Transformation and innovation</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> <b>Ms. Nayma Cepero Pérez</b> , Professor at the Technical University of Havana “José Antonio Echeverría” (CUJAE)  <b>Speakers:</b> <b>Mr. Christopher Derrel</b> Youth Can do it Too (YCDI), Jamaica  <b>Mr. Shergaun Roserie</b> Co-CEO, RifBid, St. Lucia  <b>Mr. Orlando Grabiell Toledano López</b> , Professor of Data Structures and Algorithms at the University of Informatics Sciences (UCI)  <b>Mr. Roberto Marti Cedeño</b> Vice Dean of Research and Digital Transformation, University of Havana, Cuba



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14:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Panel 2: <b>Cybersecurity &amp; Infrastructure Resilience: Protecting the Caribbean's Digital Future</b></li></ul>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Mr. Tariq Mohammed</b> Chair, Caribbean ICT Youth Network</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Ms. Federica Tortorella</b>, Youth Advisory Board Member for the "Resilience Project" at SubOptic Foundation, Dominican Republic</p> <p><b>Mr. Daniel Perea Núñez</b>, Director General of the Computer Network Security Office (OSRI)</p>
15:00	<b>BREAK</b>	
15:15	Panel 3: Women Empowerment in ICTs	<p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Ms. Gabrielle Johnson</b> Vice Chair, Caribbean ICT Youth Network</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Ms. Jael Goddard (Remote)</b> ICT External Relations Associate, Ministry of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence, Trinidad and Tobago</p> <p><b>Ms. Jennifer Boodoo (Remote)</b> Outreach Officer, Office of the Prime Minister, Guyana</p> <p><b>Ms. Maidelys Pupo Torres</b> General Director of the Youth Computer and Electronics Club (JCCE), Cuba</p> <p><b>Ms. Suany Leyva Hernández</b> Cuban Network of Empowered Women, Cuban Computer Scientist Union (UIC), Cuba</p> <p><b>Ms. Analaisy González Prieto</b> Director of Institutional Communication, Cuban Telecommunications Company (ETECSA), Cuba</p>



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16:05	Panel 4: Youth Perspectives on Global Fora: GDC, WSIS, IGF, etc.	<p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Ms. Jael Goddard (Remote)</b> ICT External Relations Associate, Ministry of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence, Trinidad and Tobago</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Mr. Shergaun Roserie</b> Co-CEO, Rifbid, St. Lucia</p> <p><b>Ms. Anja Genjo</b> NRI Coordinator, UNIGF Secretariat, Geneva</p> <p><b>Ms. Elaine Grenet Albornas</b> Specialist on Foreign Relations (MINCOM), Cuba</p> <p><b>Mr. Leysdel Emil Hernández</b> Specialist in International Organizations and Bilateral Collaboration, Cuban Telecommunications Company, ETECSA, Cuba</p>
16:45	Vote of Thanks & Closing	<p><b>Ms. Gabrielle Johnson</b> Vice Chair, Caribbean ICT Youth Network</p> <p><b>Ms. Ailyn Febles Estrada</b> Vice Minister of Communications of Cuba, Cuba</p> <p><b>Mr. Rodney Taylor</b> Secretary-General, CTU</p>
17:05	<b>End of Day 1</b>	



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## 21<sup>st</sup> Caribbean Internet Governance Forum

Day 2 – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025

Cuba

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#### DAY 2: THURSDAY 21 AUGUST 2025

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
09:00	National Anthem and Opening Remarks	<b>Dr. Terri-Karelle Johnson</b> Host of Ceremonies
OPENING CEREMONY		
09:05	Remarks	<b>Mr. Rodney Taylor</b> Secretary-General Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU)
09:15	Greetings from Partner Organizations	<b>Ms. Paula Oteguay</b> Head Multistakeholder Engagement, LACNIC. <b>Mr. Bevil Wooding (Remote)</b> Director of Caribbean Affairs, ARIN & CAJS. <b>Mr. Albert Daniels (Remote)</b> Senior Manager, Stakeholder Engagement – Caribbean, ICANN. <b>Mr. Sebastian Bellagamba (Remote)</b> VP, External Engagement, ISOC. <b>Mr. Chengetai Masango</b> Head of Office, UN IGF Secretariat.
09:35	Feature Address	<b>Mr. Ernesto Rodríguez Hernández,</b> First Deputy Minister of Communications of Cuba
09:45	Vote of Thanks	<b>Ms. Michelle Garcia</b> Communications Specialist, CTU
09:50	OFFICIAL GROUP PHOTO	
10:00	COFFEE BREAK	
10:20	Reflections on CIGF @ 21	<b>Ms. Shanea Lewis</b> Policy Advisor, CTU
10:45	National, Regional and Global IG Contexts	Reports from National, Regional & Global IGFs <b>Ms. Maria Esther Alfonso</b> – Cuba IGF <b>Ms. Jacqueline Morris (Remote)</b> , – Trinidad and Tobago MAG <b>Mr. Max-Larson Henry (Remote)</b> , – Haiti IGF <b>Mr. Marcellus Constance (Remote)</b> , – Saint Vincent and the Grenadines IGF <b>Mr. Aggrey Marsh (Remote)</b> , – Guyana IGF <b>Ms. Lilian Chamorro Rojas (Remote)</b> , – Coordinator, LACIGF <b>Ms. Anja Gengo</b> – UN IGF Secretariat



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12:15	General Discussion and Q&A	
12:30	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00	Introductory Remarks	Dr. Terri-Karelle Johnson Host of Ceremonies
14:05	<p><b>ARIN/LACNIC/CTU Policy Forum</b></p> <p><b>Global Digital Governance at a Crossroads: WSIS+20, the Global Digital Compact, and Evolving Internet Resource Trends (40 mins)</b> Assessing Multilateral and Multistakeholder Developments in the Internet Governance Ecosystem and Their Implications for the Caribbean and Beyond</p> <p><b>Exploring the Role of ICP-2 in Regional Internet Registry Accreditation, Stability, and Accountability in a Changing Global Context (30 mins)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ICANN ICP2 update</li> <li>- Is Caribbean RIR governance stable and robust?</li> </ul> <p><b>Preparing Stakeholders for Participation, Innovation, and Representation in ICANN's Expanded gTLD Programme (15 mins)</b> The Next Round of gTLDs: Strategic Opportunities and Policy Considerations for the Caribbean in the Evolving Domain Name Ecosystem</p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Shanea Lewis, CTU</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  <b>Mr. Israel Rosas (Remote)</b>, ISOC  <b>Mr. Chengetai Masango / Ms. Anja Gengo</b>, UN IGF Secretariat</p> <p><b>Mr. Michael Abejuela (Remote)</b>, ARIN  <b>Mr. Bevil Wooding (Remote)</b>, ARIN  <b>Messrs. Jorge Villa / Esteban Lescano (Remote)</b>, LACNIC  <b>Ms. Sybel Alonso Baldor</b>  VP Net Op, Cuban Telecom Company, (ETECSA)</p> <p><b>Mr. Albert Daniels (Remote)</b>, ICANN</p>
15:30	<p><b>Workshop/Facilitated Discussion: Mainstreaming Artificial Intelligence in Caribbean Internet Governance: Policy Integration for Innovation, Inclusion, and Accountability</b> Incorporating AI provisions into the Caribbean Internet Governance Policy framework</p>	<p><b>Moderators:</b> Messrs. Tariq Mohammed, Shergaun Rosarie, Gabrielle Johnson</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  <b>Mr. Omar Correa Madrigal - TBC</b>  President, Cuban Computer Scientist Union (UIC)</p>
17:00	End of Day 2	
Evening	Networking Event	



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Day 3 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2024

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DAY 3: FRIDAY 22 AUGUST 2025		
TIME	SESSION	SPEAKERS
09:00	Opening Remarks	<b>Dr. Terri-Karelle Johnson</b> Host of Ceremonies
09:05	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> <b>Navigating Digital Harms in a Fragmented World: Age Verification, Deepfakes, and the Uneven Landscape of Online Safety</b> Exploring Global and Regional Approaches to Child Protection, Exploitation Risks, and Public Awareness in the Digital Age	<b>Facilitator: Mr. Shiva Bissessar</b> , Managing Director Pinaka Consulting <b>Mr. Cleveland Thomas</b> , ITU <b>Ms. Lourdes Gutierrez (Remote)</b> , UNODC <b>Shannique Bowden (Remote)</b> , Advocate   Attorney, Jamaica Youth Advocacy Network <b>Ms. Maidelys Pupo Torres</b> General Director of the Youth Computer and Electronics Club (JCCE), Cuba
10:00	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
	<b>Especial session: “Digital Transformation in Cuba”</b>	
10:15	Introduction to the session	<b>Mr. Ernesto Rodríguez Hernández</b> , First Deputy Minister of Communications of Cuba
10:20	Panel 1: <b>Data Governance: A perspective from Cuba</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> <b>Ms. Yarina Amoroso Fernández</b> Unión de Juristas de Cuba  <b>Speakers:</b> <b>Ms. Omara Aldama López</b> Director of Infocommunications, Revolution Palace <b>Ms. María Esther Alfonso Suárez</b> Vice-president, Cuban Computer Scientist Union (UIC) <b>Ms. Tatiana Delgado Fernández</b> Professor, Technological University of Havana <b>Ms. Laymi Puente Falcón</b> Director of Business Intelligence, Cuban Telecommunications Company, (ETECSA)





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11:10	Panel 2: Digital Transformation and local development	<p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Mr. Jorge Núñez Jover</b> Professor, Havana University, Advisor to the National Innovation Council (CNI) and to the Minister of Science, Technology and the Environment.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Ms. Aurora Fernández González</b> Advisor to the CNI and the Minister of Higher Education, Coordinator of the University Network for Knowledge Management and Innovation for Local Development <b>Mr. Dariel de León García</b> Senior Researcher at the Local Development Center, Technical Director of the Sustainable Municipalities Program <b>Mr. Allan Pierra Conde</b> Advisor in the Science, Technology and Innovation Directorate in the Ministry of Higher Education (MES) <b>Mr. Denys Buedo Hidalgo</b> Director of informatization of MES in charge of Digital Transformation</p>
12:00	LUNCH BREAK	
13:30	Panel 3: Enterprises in Digital Transformation	<p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Mr. Ernesto Vallín Martínez</b> General Director of Informatics, MINCOM</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Mr. Dennis Meriño Menadier</b> Chairman, Z17 <b>Mr. Allan Pierra Fuente</b> University of Informatics Sciences (UCI) <b>Mr. Abduly Díaz García</b> Director General, SOFTEL <b>Mr. Yudivian Almeida Cruz</b> Professor and Researcher at the University of Havana (UH)</p>



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14:20	Panel 4: <b>The Role of Government in Digital Transformation</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> <b>Ms. Ailyn Febles Estrada</b> Deputy Minister of Communications of Cuba  <b>Speakers:</b> <b>Ms. Anaisa Hernández González</b> Vice-president, Cuban Computer Scientist Union (UIC) <b>Dr. Nayma Cepero Pérez</b> Professor at the Technical University of Havana <b>Mr. Wilfredo González Vidal</b> Coordinator of the Sovereignty Project, Digital Government Center
15:10	Session closure:	<b>Mr. Ernesto Rodríguez Hernández,</b> First Deputy Minister of Communications of Cuba
15:15	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
15:30	<b>Policy Synthesis and Strategic Priorities: Charting a Coherent Path for Caribbean Internet Governance</b> Integrating Insights Across Sessions to Inform Regional Action, Collaboration, and Representation in Global Forums	<b>Mr. Rodney Taylor, CTU</b> <b>Ms. Shanea Lewis, CTU</b> <b>Mr. Tariq Mohammed, CIYN</b>
16:00	<b>Open Microphone</b>	<b>Ms. Michelle Garcia</b> CTU
16:30	<b>Conclusions and Next Steps</b>	<b>Mr. Rodney Taylor</b> CTU
16:50	<b>Closing remarks of the CIGF</b>	<b>Ms. Mayra Arevich Marín</b> Minister of Communications of Cuba
17:00	<b>END OF 21<sup>ST</sup> CIGF</b>	