LACIGF 16 - 2023

December 4 and 5, 2023. Bogota, Colombia.

Final Report

Introduction

On December 4 and 5, 2023, the sixteenth edition of the Latin American and Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (LACIGF) was held at the Externado University of Colombia, in the city of Bogota, Colombia.

The Latin American and Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (LACIGF) is a multistakeholder initiative focused on Internet governance issues and digital policies from a

regional perspective created in 2008. Its mission is to provide a space for open policy dialogue on issues within its scope, where all stakeholders participate on an equal footing without discrimination of any kind. Since its inception it has met annually in an event that to date has 16 editions.

Multi-Stakeholder Committee

The Multi-Stakeholder Committee CMPI, formerly known as the Program Committee, is responsible for the strategic and operational direction of the mechanisms that make up the LACIGF and for ensuring the proper functioning and fulfillment of its mission.

The CMPI is composed of 12 persons who are appointed 3 by each of the following stakeholder groups:

- Regional organizations representing the private sector
- Latin American and Caribbean government representatives
- Civil society organizations
- Regional organizations representing the technical community

Each sector plans its own course of action and selects its representatives based on its own criteria.

By 2023, the Program Committee is conformed as follows:

Government Representatives

- Chile: Juan Pablo Vial / Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile.
- Uruguay: Virginia Pardo and Beatriz Rodríguez / Agency of Electronic Government and Information and Knowledge Society of Uruguay (AGESIC).
- Paraguay: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay.

Private Sector Representatives

- ALAI (Latin American Internet Association) / Raúl Echeberría.
- ASIET (Inter-American Association of Telecommunications Companies) / Pablo Garcia.
- GSMA / (Association of Mobile Network Operators) / Lucas Gallito.

Civil society representatives:

- APC (Association for Progressive Communications) / Valeria Betancourt.

- Derechos Digitales / Jamila Venturini , Juan Carlos Lara
- IPANDETEC / Lía Hernández

Representatives of the Internet Technical Community:

- LACNIC (Latin American and Caribbean Internet Address Registry) / Miguel Ignacio Estrada.
- ISOC (Internet Society) / Christian O'Flaherty.
- LACTLD (Latin American and Caribbean TLD Association) / Rocio de La Fuente.

Additionally, during 2023 a new LACIGF Secretariat was appointed, a role that until June of this year had been carried out by LACNIC - www.lacnic.net - and that as of July 2023 was assumed by Colnodo - www.colnodo.apc.org -, a Colombian non-profit organization that was selected after a call process to fill this role.

Topic selection

For the selection of topics, an open consultation was conducted with the community through the LACIGF website - www.lacigf.org - in which 145 people participated, who selected in order of relevance the following topics:

1. Data governance and trust
2. Inclusion and digital divide
3. Cybersecurity, cybercrime and online security
4. Global Digital Governance and Cooperation
5. AI and Emerging Technologies
6. Avoiding Internet Fragmentation

These topics were taken into account when defining the sessions for the annual event.

Agenda of the event

The event was developed in a hybrid format, face-to-face and virtual, for the realization of six (6) panels on the topics prioritized by the community, one (1) panel on the LACIGF and the new statutes, one (1) panel on national and regional Internet Governance Initiatives (NRIs).

In addition, there was a session in which Carol Roach, chair of the Internet Governance Forum's multi-stakeholder advisory group, gave a presentation on the global Internet Governance Forum and the challenges for the region.

More than 50 panelists and moderators participated in the panels, both in person and virtually.

	Day 1 - Monday (December 4)
08:00 – 09:00	LACIGF registration (Carrera 5 este # 12b 54, auditorio 3 - edificio i)
09:00 – 09:30	**Opening Ceremony** Representative of Universidad Externado. Adriana Castro Pinzón Director (e) Business Law Department. Representative of the LACIGF Program Committee - Alejandra Erramuspe. Representative of the Local Organizer - LACIGF Secretariat. Julián Casasbuenas G. Local Authority Representative. MinTIC: Andres Enrique Galindo Bernal - Director (e) Digital Economy / Thiago Dal-Toe - Coordinator GIT .co Domain and Internet Governance.
09:30 – 11:00	**Session 1. Data governance and trust.** <u>Panelists:</u> Mariana Salazar, ALAI. Johana Obando Bonilla, Costa Rican Parliament. Jonathan Mendoza, Secretary of Personal Data Protection at INAI. (Mexico) Rodrigo de la Parra, ICANN. Juan de Brigard, Karisma Foundation Moderator: Raquel Gatto. Legal Manager Nic.br
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 13:00	**Session 2. Policies and initiatives for the universalization of access and promotion of digital talent and skills - Inclusion and digital divide.** <u>Panelists:</u> Lucas Gallitto, GSMA. Olga Paz, Colnodo. Christian O'Flaherty, Internet Society. Cinthya Arias, SUTEL. Moderator: Pablo Garcia de Castro, ASIET. Online moderator: Cesar Diaz, LANIC.
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 15:30	**Session 3. LACIGF new statutes and inter-sessional committees** Space to discuss the proposed changes in the LACIGF and work on intersessional committees. Miguel Ignacio Estrada. LACNIC. CMPI Multi-Stakeholder Committee. Lilian Chamorro Rojas. LACIGF Secretariat.
15:30 - 15:50	Coffee Break

15:50 – 17:20	**Session 4. AI and Emerging Technologies** Panelists: Diego Canabarro, Meta. Solimary García Hernández, Data Scientist, NIC.BR. Lucia Camacho, Digital Rights. Anna Bentes, Getulio Vargas Foundation, Rio de Janeiro. Alondra Arellano, IA Leader, Ministry of Science, Technology, Knowledge and Innovation, Government of Chile. Rodrigo Goñi, Member of Parliament, Uruguay. Moderator: Raúl Echeberria. ALAI. Online moderator: Alejandra Erramuspe. Digital
17:30 - 19:00	Welcome cocktail

	Day 2 - Tuesday (December 5)
08:00 – 09:00	LACIGF registration
09:00 – 09:30	Chief Guest **Carol Roach**. Chair of the Internet Governance Forum multi-stakeholder advisory group.
09:30 – 11:00	**Session 5. Cooperation for online security - Cybersecurity, cybercrime and online safety.** Panelists: Michele Bordachar.Legal and legislative advisor, National Cybersecurity Coordination, Chile. Dominique Paz. Cybercrime Prosecutor's Unit, Argentina Yunuhen Rangel, Luchadoras, Mexico. Maite Altoaguirre, Telefónica Graciela Martinez, CSIRT, LACNIC. Karen Cruz, Youth LACIGF. Moderator: César Díaz, LACNIC. Online moderator: Lia Hernández, IPANDETEC.
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:30 - 13:00	**Session 6. Global digital governance and cooperation** Panelists: Renata Mielli, CGI.br coordinator. Juan Pablo Vial, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chile Raúl Echeberría, Executive Director of ALAI Pilar Sáenz, coordinator of the Digital Security and Privacy Lab, Karisma Foundation Umut Pájaro, coordinator of the Youth LAC IGF Alejandro Patiño, ECLAC Moderator: Valeria Betancourt, APC. Online moderator: Paula Oteguy. LACNIC.
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch

14:30 – 16:00	**Session 7. NRIs** *Segment 1.* Topic: "GRULAC's NRIs: Developments on Internet Governance in the region". Panelists: Tanara Lauschner (Brazil). Laura Ramos (Colombia). Carlos Vera Sánchez (Ecuador). María Elena García (Panama). Paula Oteguy (Uruguay). Denise Leal (YouthLACIGF). *Segment 2.* Topic: "The contribution of the NRIs in the Global Digital Compact to be discussed during the Future Summit". Panelists: Anja Gengo (IGF Secretariat). Julián Casasbuenas G. (Colombia). Vinicius W. O. Santos (Brazil). Moderator: Roberto Zambrana. Online moderator: Karen Cruz.
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee Break
16:15 – 17:45	**Session 8. Internet Blocking: Reasons, Issues and Consequences - Avoiding Internet Fragmentation** Panelists: Ingrid Hernandez, Digital Transformation Advisor and Digital Transformation Coordinator, Colombia. Bruna Martins dos Santos, IGF MAG member. Juan Carlos Lara, Derechos Digitales. Paloma Szerman, WhatsApp Esteban Lescano, LAC-ISP. Lia Solis, LACNOG. German López Ardila, Youth LACIGF, Colombia. Moderator: Miguel Ignacio Estrada, LACNIC. Online Moderator: Alejandra Erramuspe
18:00 - 18:30	Cierre

The detailed agenda of the event is available at https://lacigf.org/lacigf-16/#tabs-3

Statistics

Persons registered

Modality	Total
Virtual	200
On site	283
Total	483

On-site assistance

170 people from 19 countries attended the event in person.

Gender	Total
Male	82
Female	87
Non-binary	1
Total	170

Participation by gender

Non binary
0,6%

Female
51,2%

Male
48,2%

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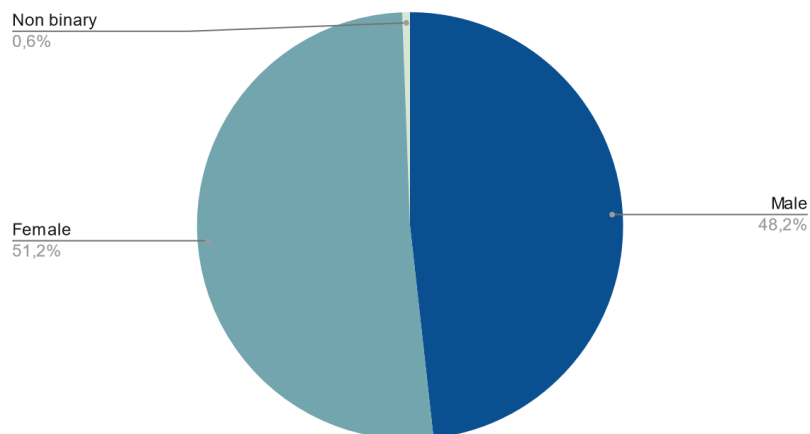
COUNTRY	Total
Argentina	10
Bolivia	2
Brazil	23
Chile	5
Colombia	93
Costa Rica	5
Cuba	1
Ecuador	2
El Salvador	2
France	1
Guatemala	1
México	6
Other	2
Panama	4
Paraguay	1
Peru	3
Dominican Republic	2
Uruguay	4
Venezuela	1
No indication	2
Total	170

Participation by country
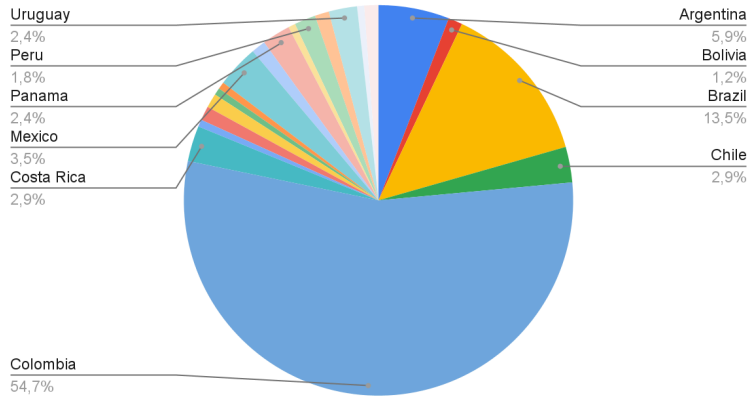
SECTOR	Total
Academy	19
Communications	6
Technical community	21
Private enterprise	29
Government	21
Civil Society	74
Total	170

Participation by sector
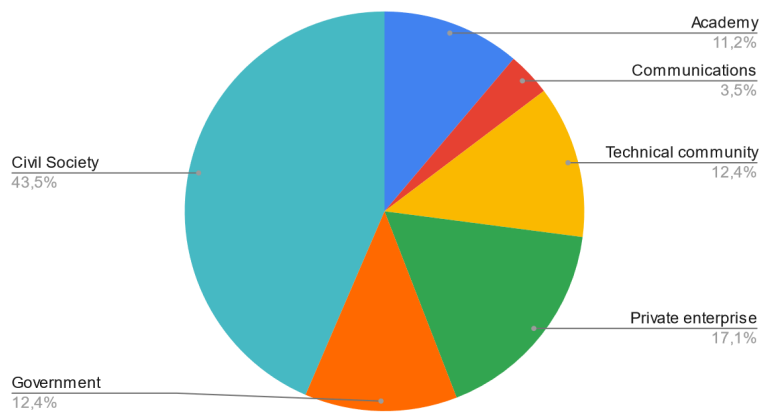
Virtual participation

Participation through Youtube

	Visualizations	Simultaneous users
Day 1	487	47
Day 2	279	160

Youtube participation by gender

Users	Man	Women
Day 1	21,90%	34,40%
Day 2	78,10%	65,60%

Youtube participation by country

País	Day 1	Day 2
Colombia	40,30%	34%
Costa Rica	3,90%	
Brazil	3,30%	3,90%
Mexico	2,90%	4%
Argentina	2,70%	
Bolivia	2,50%	12%
Uruguay	2,30%	3,90%
Panama	2,10%	

Participation through X

- 9924 impressions
- 214 likes
- 90 retweets and mentions of organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean

Reports and videos

The reports and videos of the sessions are available on the LACIGF website at the following links:

Segment	Video Sesiones	Relatorías
Opening Ceremony	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1rhwKGgONBQ	
Session 1. Data Governance and Trust	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LSVvfOsSBqU	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-UNO-Gobernanza-de-datos-y-confianza.pdf
Session 2. Policies and initiatives for universalizing access and promoting digital talent and skills - Inclusion and digital divide	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kmU6iA5ooMY	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-DOS-Politicas-e-iniciativas-para-la-universalizacion-del-acceso.pdf
LACIGF new charters and inter-sessional committees Session 3.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WvONNsYDiyQ	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-TRES-Nuevos-estatutos-LACIGF.pdf
Session 4. AI and Emerging Technologies.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-yCoKbjGgBM	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-CUATRO-IA-y-tecnologias-emergentes.pdf
Keynote Guest Carol Roach. Chair of the Internet Governance Forum multi-stakeholder advisory group.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_EZCh106Gw	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Carol-Roach.pdf
Session 5. Cooperation for Online Security - Cybersecurity, Cybercrime and Online Security	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtgYwpgzXPE	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-CINCO-Cooperacion-para-la-seguridad-en-linea.pdf
Session 6. Global Digital Governance and Cooperation	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZygt_3s7ec	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-SEIS-Gobernanza-y-cooperacion-digital-mundial.pdf
Session 7. NRIs	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VhRhJsEjNSg https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_9wbOHACUFE	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-SIETE-Los-NRI-de-GRULAC.pdf
Session 8. Internet blocking: reasons, issues and consequences - Avoiding Internet Fragmentation	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=leJYt5sbB2s	http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Relatoria-Sesion-OCHO-Evitar-la-fragmentacion-de-internet.pdf
Closing	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=soJxLfBJj-k	

Forum Messages

The main messages of the Forum were compiled and recorded in the document available at:

http://lacigf.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Mensajes-del-LACIGF-2023.pdf

Financial Assistance Program

An open call for applications was made and 165 people from 20 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean applied.

Fifteen scholarship recipients were initially selected and received scholarships directly from LACIGF. Most of the scholarships were for airfare, only one of the scholarships was for a hotel.

First name	Last name	Organization	Position	Country	Sector
Abdias	Zambrano	ISOC Panama	Representative to the IGF Panama	Panama	Technical community
Agustina	Ordoñez	Chamber of Deputies Argentina	Head of Office	Argentina	Government
Alice	de Perdigão Lana	Coalizão Direitos na Rede	Consultant	Brazil	Civil Society
Johana	Obando Bonilla	Legislative Assembly	Deputy	Costa Rica	Government
Jose Alberto	Rojas Marcelo	Specialized Cybercrime Prosecution Unit of Peru - Public Prosecutor's Office of Peru	Specialist	Peru	Government
Juan Pablo	Vial	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile	Digital Policy Analyst	Chile	Government
Lia	Solis Montaño	LACNOG	General Manager	Bolivia	Technical Community
Lizania Margarita	Perez Rodriguez	Regional Telecommunications Technical Commission	Executive Secretary	Dominican Republic	Other
Manuela	Peralta Santana	Independent	Information Technology Specialist	Dominican Republic	Technical Community
MARIA ELENA	GARCIA SEGUNDO	IGF Panama	Coordinator	Panama	Civil Society
Maritza Yesenia	Agüero Miñano	Center for Internet Governance Studies	President	Peru	Academia

			Head of Planning		
Numas Alcides	Arellano Cabral	CONATEL	Department	Paraguay	Government
ROBERTO GUIDO	ZAMBRANA FLORES	BOLIVIA IGF	Coordinator	Bolivia	Technical Community
Umut	Pajaro Velasquez	Internet Society Gender Standing Group	Chair	Colombia	Civil Society
Yunuhen	Rangel	Luchadoras Mx	Feminist Internet Coordinator	Mexico	Civil Society

In addition, 7 additional scholarships were assigned to people from Brazil with the support of CGI.br, which covered the airfare expenses.

First name	Last name	Organization	Position	Country	Sector
Maria Julya dos Santos de Oliveira	Maju	Nic.br	Trainee	Brazil	Student
Ana Clara	Alves Rocha	Paraíba State University	Law student	Brazil	Student
JOAO	ARAUJO MONTEIRO NETO	University of Fortaleza	Professor and researcher	Brazil	Academy
Brenda	Cunha	Article 19 Brazil and South America	Advisor	Brazil	Civil Society
Renato	Freitas de Menezes	Portal g1	Journalist/editor	Brazil	Media
Diná	Santana Santos	Internet Society	Member Colombia and Brazil Chapters	Brazil	Civil Society
Denise	Leal	Youth LACIGF, SEBRAE & UnB	Organizing team (YouthLACIGF), Innovation Agent (SEBRAE), LLM student (UnB)	Brazil	Private Enterprise

Photo Gallery

The photo gallery of the Forum can be found at
https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipMmxKJJUSssHKFoI7jl-Bww3Z8qVuTdv_-jiVJ5LqTd
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Trustfund

LACIGF is the regional meeting space for multi-sectoral policy dialogue, where representatives of governments, the private sector, the technical community and civil society share and discuss their diverse perspectives.

Colnodo serves as the Secretariat of the Program Committee, which is responsible for seeking contributions for the Trustfund, a key resource that enables the participation of all sectors in the event.

The LACIGF Trust Fund receives voluntary financial contributions from companies and organizations and is managed by the Secretariat to finance the logistics of the event, including conference rooms, audiovisual support, simultaneous interpretation, streaming, support staff, catering, communication and dissemination materials, among others.

It also finances the Sponsorship Program, which allows the participation of a large group of people from all over the region who otherwise would not be able to attend each event.

We are grateful for the collaboration of the following organizations, whose donations and work have made the organization of this event possible

- Latin American Internet Association - ALAI
- Association for Progressive Communications - APC
- Inter-American Association of Telecommunications Companies - ASIET
- Brazilian Internet Steering Committee - CGI.br
- Colombian Communications Regulatory Commission - CRC
- Digital Rights
- Google
- Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers - ICANN
- Internet Governance Forum Support Association - IGFSA
- Internet Society - ISOC
- Panamanian Institute of Law and New Technologies - IPANDETEC
- Latin American and Caribbean Internet Addresses Registry - LACNIC
- Latin American and Caribbean ccTLD Association - LACTLD