India IGF is now inviting expressions of interest from Indian academic institutes and organisations to host a **Local Hub** for the upcoming edition of India IGF 2025 that will be held in hybrid mode on 27 and 28 November 2025.

<u>India IGF (IIGF)</u> is an open, inclusive, bottom-up, multistakeholder platform bringing together government, civil society, private sector, academia, technical community, youth and other communities to discuss public policy issues related to the Internet from the Indian perspective on equal footing.

The overarching theme this year is Advancing Internet Governance for an Inclusive & Sustainable Viksit Bharat. The three sub themes are: Al for People, Planet and Progress: From Frameworks to Impact; Building Digital Infrastructure for Resilient & Sustainable Growth; and Inclusive Digital Future.

Day & Date: Thursday, 27th and Friday, 28th November 2025
Physical Venue: 27 November: India Habitat Centre; New Delhi;
28 November: India International Centre. New Delhi

Agenda for IIGF2025 can be viewed here.

Local hubs are physical points that facilitate remote participation to a group of individuals to attend the IIGF sessions, including asking questions. Hub organizers can later encourage further debate on the topics discussed.

Why organise a local hub:

- Facilitate in raising awareness about national, regional, and global Internet governance and digital governance issues;
- Provide an opportunity to students to further debate on the issues;
- Provide an opportunity to students to share their views;
- The approved local hubs will be listed in the IIGF website and mentioned in the IIGF report.

Requirements to Organize a local hub

- A room (This can be a classroom, or any other convenient place).
- A computer, projector and stable broadband connection to allow the hub participants to watch the sessions.

- A web camera, and preferably a standalone microphone for two-way discussions/interactions.
- A hub moderator to manage the remote participation at the hub
- A technical coordinator to ensure seamless connectivity between the local hub and the IIGF virtual platform

Expected Contributions by Local Hubs

- Where ever possible, the hub organizer(s) can promote participants from the local hub to engage in the discussions being discussed.
- At the end of the event and within 7 working days submit a brief report in a form that will be shared with hub organizers before the event.
- Encourage participants to ask questions, make comments during the sessions.

How to send Expression of Interest

If you are interested in organizing a local hub, please write back to submission@indiaigf.in before 25 November 2025 23:59 IST with the following details.

The following information must be included:

- Organization Name
- Address
- Full name
- Email address
- Designation
- Declaration stating as below:

We agree to set up a Local Hub for IIGF2025. We agree to be listed on the IIGF2025 website as a Local Hub.

In case you have any queries please reach out to submission@indiaigf.in at the earliest.

Annexure

Ideal System Requirements for local hubs

- System Requirements
 - The online remote participation will be Zoom, please refer to https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362023-System-requirem ents-for-Windows-macOS-and-Linux for details on computer and system requirements.
 - Please pre-install the "latest version" Zoom application and register for an account.
- Video Equipment
- A projector+projector screen or a large TV/monitor (depending on the size of your audience) connected by VGA or HDMI.
- For Apple Mac computers/laptops, use a HDMI or Lightning port (Mini DVI on older models) to VGA/HDMI adapter to connect to your projector or TV.
- A camera in HD for a live streaming video feed.
- Audio equipment
 - Typical sound system: Audio mixer, microphones, and speakers.
 - To be able to hear the audio from the IIGF Forum, you will need to connect your computer to the sound system or the speakers installed in the room, normally with a 3.5mm audio cable (most commonly used for audio). Connect one end to the speaker's output on your computer and the other end to the speakers.
 - In order to interact with the sessions at IIGF, you will need to have your microphone connected to the computer; best to use an analog multi-purpose microphone for audio interventions to the Forum. It can also be USB-connected to the mic input on your computer for a small

- room; once connected, set the mic input in your computer audio settings to 'external microphone'.
- The type and the strength of the speakers depends on the size of the room you are using. For a small room there is no need for louder than 40W speakers.
- For rooms with a pre-installed sound system:

Use a cable which has a 3.5mm audio jack on one end to connect to the speaker output, and an XLR audio connection on the other to connect to the mixer "line in".

Plug your microphone into the mixer. Connect the 'Main output' from the mixer to your computer with a 3.5 mm audio jack to XLR cable, described above. For some audio mixers, the main output will not be an XLR jack and you may need a 3.,5mm 1/8 Stereo to Dual 1/4 cable. Set the 'external microphone' as the input to your computer.

*Important note – When preparing for an audio intervention from the hub, you will need to unplug / turn off the speakers from your computer to avoid echo feedback.

Testing

 Once the setup is in order, use the Zoom Test Meeting facility to test your connection, audio, video, etc. (https://zoom.us/test)