

(sessions marked with “**” are more specialised and may be of interest for libraries working with or curious about the topic)

TUESDAY:

09:00 – **Newcomers track** – could be helpful for all participants new to the IGF! This will offer a quick guide on how the Conference works, main tracks and themes, ways to participate, and so on. (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-newcomers-track>)

10:00 – **Opening Ceremony** – features high-level speakers and an outline of key Internet Governance issues to be discussed. (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-opening-ceremony>)

*12:45 – **Connecting Democracy and Internet Governance Advocates** – an open networking session (“speed date” format, so very engagement-heavy!) This could be of interest for any libraries working with digital civic participation initiatives – for example, access to government public information and data online, building public data repositories, helping users leverage ICT and internet to make use of these digital resources to boost democratic processes and so on. (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-networking-73-connecting-democracy-and-internet-governance-advocates>)

*14:30 - **Leveraging Private-Public Partnership for Digital Skills** – could be of interest for library professionals focused on digital skills building. The premise of the session acknowledges that there is a crucial digital skills gap today, and that new and diverse approaches for offering fair and equitable digital skills-building opportunities are needed. Admittedly, the session outline looks fairly private-sector heavy, but the session could nonetheless be interesting as it touches on topics like the Day of Code – and does propose public-private initiatives for digital skills building (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-273-leveraging-private-public-partnership-for-digital-skills>)

*16:15 - **Reinterpreting Free Speech Guarantees for the Digital Era** – could be of particular interest for library professionals with a strong focus and interest on freedom of expression. Focuses on what freedom of expression means and how it can be governed in the face of recent technological advances (e.g. online mis- and dis-information, hate speech, etc). It has David Kaye as one of the speakers, the former UN Human Rights Office Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression! (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-276-reinterpreting-free-speech-guarantees-for-the-digital-era>)

*16:15 – **Parliamentary roundtable on legislative approaches for a user-centric digital space** (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-parliamentary-roundtable-legislative-approaches-for-a-user-centric-digital-space>)

*18:00 - **Digital accessibility is a right: keys to building accessible digital environments** – could be of interest for library professionals working with users with disabilities, particularly print and visual disabilities. This is a lightning presentation in Spanish, an English version should be livestreamed online (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-lightning-talk-78-digital-accessibility-is-a-right-keys-to-building-accessible>)

WEDNESDAY:

*09:30 – **Main Session Digital Cooperation in Practice: IGF Dynamic Coalitions** – this will feature the work of many Dynamic Coalitions, could be of interest for listeners to find out what topics and initiatives are currently in progress within the IGF – especially if they are looking to get involved. (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-main-session-digital-cooperation-in-practice-igf-dynamic-coalitions>)

*09:30 - **Open Source Collaboration for Digital Sovereignty** – for library professionals interested in open source – for example, who work with programming digital skills-building initiatives (e.g. GitHub), as well as those with an interest in Open Licensing at large.

(<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-106-open-source-collaboration-for-digital-sovereignty>)

*09:30 - **Podcast "Internet For All But Privacy For Me"** – for any librarians with a strong interest in digital privacy (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/podcast-internet-for-all-but-privacy-for-me-live-podcast>)

*11:15 - **A Toolkit to Measure and Shape an Inclusive Digital Economy** – focuses on the digital dimension of economic and social inclusion, so could be of interest for any libraries working to leverage public access to the internet and ICT to this end. (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-86-a-toolkit-to-measure-and-shape-an-inclusive-digital-economy>)

*13:45 – **Town Hall #45 Exchanging research data responsible to save the planet** - could be of interest for libraries, particularly academic libraries, working with research data management (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-town-hall-45-exchanging-research-data-responsible-to-save-%E2%80%8Ethe-planet-%E2%80%8E>)

13:50 - **Main Session Policy Network on Meaningful Access** and 16:50 - **Framing meaningful access for inclusive digital policy** – sessions touching on IGF's new initiative, a Policy Network on Meaningful Access – could an interesting opportunity to hear (and/or also share your own perspectives during the open discussion) to talk about the various dimensions of what it means to have meaningful access to the internet. This of course includes the different elements libraries help contribute to – free or low-cost access, access to digital content, digital skills-building, digital rights of users, and so on (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-main-session-policy-network-on-meaningful-access>, <https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-248-framing-meaningful-access-for-inclusive-digital-policy>)

*15:05 - **Town Hall #42 Building the wiki-way for low-resource languages**. While Polish is of course not an under-resourced language, this session could be of interest for any libraries with experience or interest in collaborating with Wiki, particularly with the goal of boosting online linguistic diversity. Also for any libraries serving linguistic minority communities in Poland. (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-town-hall-42-building-the-wiki-way-for-low-resource-languages>)

*15:15 - **NRIs Collaborative Session: Smart local solutions to connect everyone** – for anyone curious about local IGF initiatives, as well as about digital inclusion overall (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-nris-collaborative-session-smart-local-solutions-to-connect-everyone>)

15:35 - **Main Session: How Can We Achieve a Multilingual Internet?** Could be of particular interest for any library professionals working to ensure that more Polish-language content is freely available online (e.g. through digitalisation, local content creation, and so on) - (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-main-session-how-can-we-achieve-a-multilingual-internet>)

*18:10 - **Lightning Talk #43 Creative strategies to tackle the intersection between digital technologies and the climate emergency** – could be of interest for librarians involved in raising awareness about the environmental crisis (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-lightning-talk-43-creative-strategies-to-tackle-the-intersection-between-digital>)

THURSDAY:

09:30 - **Main Session Economic and Social Inclusion and Human Rights** – features high-level speakers weigh in on the digital dimensions of these (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-main-session-economic-and-social-inclusion-and-human-rights>)

11:15 - **DC-PAL Public Access: Driving a Community-Based Development Model** – library-centric (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-dc-pal-public-access-driving-a-community-based-development-model>)

*13:50 - **NRIs Collaborative Session: Smart local solutions to connect everyone** – for anyone curious about local IGF initiatives, as well as about digital inclusion overall (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-nris-collaborative-session-enabling-local-smart-solutions-to-close-the-global>)

16:50 - **Media and Information Literacy in Digital Spaces** – for any library professionals interested in media and information literacy (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-144-framework-media-and-information-literacy-in-digital-spaces>)

*18:05 - **Lightning Talk #8 Tackling digital and social inequalities in a "combo" approach: Why we need to aim higher than technosolutionism?** – for any librarians interested in freedom of expression online and the right to access information. This session focuses on (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-lightning-talk-8-tackling-digital-and-social-inequalities-in-a-combo-approach-why>)

FRIDAY:

*09:30 - **Innovative strategies in achieving universal connectivity** – could be of interest for libraries with an interest in public access to the internet and ICT. Public access is of course one of the solutions alongside standard commercial connectivity for bringing more people online, so it could be of interesting for libraries to find out about other strategies – and take part in discussions on how to build multistakeholder dialogues around these (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-199-innovative-strategies-in-achieving-universal-connectivity>)

10:45 - **Money can't buy me digital literacy** – for any library professional interested or involved in digital skills training (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-ws-131-money-can%E2%80%99t-buy-me-digital-literacy>)

*10:45 - **South-South strategy on facing digital gender inequalities** - for librarians interested in the gender digital divide (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-town-hall-8-south-south-strategy-on-facing-digital-gender-inequalities>)

*13:50 – **Free speech and innovation on social media** – could also be of interest for libraries and librarians curious about the balance of freedom of expression and content moderation to address harms, as well as oh how online platforms are governed in general (<https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2021-town-hall-51-unbundling-free-speech-and-innovation-on-social-media>)

17:30 – **Closing Ceremony**