

# Summary Report: IGFSA General Assembly 2024

2024 General Assembly

Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 15 December 2024

1. The IGFSA held its tenth General Assembly during the 19<sup>th</sup> IGF in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 15 December 2024. In total, over 42 IGFSA Members and observers attended the meeting in room and via remote participation.
2. The following agenda, sent out in advance and [published on the IGFSA website](#), was approved with a change of order of items by consensus by all members present.
  - i. Adoption of the agenda
  - ii. Approval of the [Summary Record of the 2023 General Assembly](#)
  - iii. Adoption of the contents of the [reports](#) and [financial statements](#) for the year
  - iv. Approval of the annual budget, based upon a recommendation by the Executive Committee
  - v. Fundraising
  - vi. Discussion of Election of Executive Committee
  - vii. Release of obligations of the Executive Committee members
  - viii. Open community discussion
3. The Chair initiated the assembly, presenting the agenda for adoption and encouraging feedback from both in-person and remote participants. The summary record of the 2023 General Assembly was shared, highlighting the previous year's discussions, activities, and achievements.
4. Adoption of the agenda
  - The agenda was adopted as circulated and proposed on the IGFSA website.

5. Approval of Summary Record of the 2023 General Assembly

Jennifer Chung, Secretary, presented the [Summary Record of the 2023 General Assembly](#). She highlighted that more than 45 members and remote hubs participated in the meeting. The assembly adopted the annual agenda and approved the 2023 budget. There was a strong emphasis on fundraising efforts and small grants for National, Regional, and Youth Initiatives (NRIs). Youth engagement increased significantly after COVID-19, which was reflected in the rise of grant applications. Additionally, ongoing efforts were made to expand the IGFSAs donor base.

6. Adoption of the contents of the reports and financial statements for the year

Jennifer Chung summarized the [2023-2024 Activity Report](#). Two Executive Committee elections were held, with four members re-elected. The Executive Committee conducted ten meetings, including virtual, hybrid, and in-person sessions. IGFSAs retained its membership structure with individual and organizational dues, resulting in a total of 270 members, of which 34 were active. Significant fundraising efforts brought in contributions from ICANN, NRO, and new donors. In 2024, IGFSAs funded 26 initiatives, including six regional IGFs and ten youth IGFs, such as the Myanmar and Southeast Asia Youth IGFs. Since its inception, IGFSAs's total funding allocation has reached \$601,000.

The Annual report was adopted as presented, and the draft status to be changed to final on the IGFSAs website.

7. Adoption of the contents of the reports and financial statements for the year

Nigel Hickson, the IGFSAs Treasurer, presented the [financial report](#). The total assets stood at 106,000 Swiss francs, reflecting a decrease from the previous year. Total revenues included membership dues and contributions

from key donors. Expenses primarily supported NRI funding, IGF Secretariat logistics, accessibility initiatives, and administrative tasks. Projections for 2025 included a budget of \$90,000 to support IGF activities, with further efforts needed to expand the donor base.

## 8. Fundraising

- Participants commended the IGFSAs post-COVID recovery and increased youth engagement.
- Vint Cerf emphasized the importance of NRI and youth support in strengthening the IGF's role, especially with the upcoming WSIS+20 review.

## 9. Adoption of 2025 Budget

- The projected 2025 budget was shared and adopted by the assembly. Efforts to sustain funding and support NRI and youth initiatives were prioritized to ensure IGFSAs continued contributions to the global IGF ecosystem.
- The assembly concluded with a commitment to further collaboration and fundraising to maintain IGFSAs vital support for its community.

## 10. Release of obligations of the Executive Committee members

- I. At the request of the Chair, the General Assembly granted the release of obligations to the IGFSAs Executive Committee.