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Where is Riyadh?

Situated in the center of the an-Nafud desert, on the eastern part of the Najd plateau.

The city sits at an average of 600 meters (2,000 ft) above sea level, and receives around 5 million tourists each year, making it the forty-ninth most visited city in the world and the 6th in the Middle East.

Riyadh is divided into 15 municipal districts and had a population of 7.0 million people in 2022, making it the most-populous city in Saudi Arabia, 3rd most populous in the Middle East, and the 38th most populous in Asia.
Facts About Riyadh

- **Expect 22°C daytime maximum temperatures**
- **Average rainfall is 13mm**
- **Time zone: Arabian Standard Time (GMT+3)**

**Overall count of population**: 7,682,000

- **29**: Median age of population
- **5M**: Tourists visits the city every year
- **60%/40%**: Saudi / Non-Saudi ratio
Events in Saudi

Some of the events Saudi Arabia will host in the coming years:

- **2024**: Convention's Conference of the Parties (COP16)
- **2025**: Asian Indoor Games
- **2026**: World Energy Congress
- **2027**: Asia Cup
- **2028**: 9th TAFISA World Sport For All Games
- **2029**: Asian Winter Games
- **2030**: Riyadh Expo
- **2034**: World Cup

Positioned as the world's new crossroads, Riyadh, the nation's capital, is becoming a hub for diverse talents and aspirations.
Sponsored by Saudi Arabia and the UN, Riyadh will host IGF 2024

December 15th to 19th 2024

Hybrid format with 10,000 in-person and 5,000 virtual expected attendees

The event will take place at King Abdul Aziz International Conference Center in Riyadh

Main sponsors are Saudi Arabia and the United Nations

Organizing entity: Digital Government Authority and UN Dept. of Econ. and Social Affairs (UNDESA)
The Kingdom is leading international efforts to increase digital inclusion and bridge the digital divide worldwide.

H.E. Eng. Abdullah Bin Amer Alswaha, the Minister of Communications and Information Technology

Facts and Numbers in Digital Economy

Saudi Arabia

Aims to contribute to building a thriving and inclusive digital economy for all. This comes in light of the unlimited support by the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, and His Royal Highness Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman, the Prime Minister.

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IGF Riyadh 2024 Logo
Our Najdi inscriptions and our entrenched heritage in our kingdom, and its enduring connection to authenticity, are a fundamental part of the kingdom's cultural and consequently digital evolution over centuries. This contributes to hosting the Internet Governance Forum 2024, a pioneering and substantial event held in the city of Riyadh, providing an opportunity for the exchange of experiences and best practices related to the internet.
The color of innovation and the color of lavender represent the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, adorning the country's deserts with the lavender blossom during the spring season. This color has become a symbol for welcoming presidents and kings.
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King Abdulaziz International Conference Center, Riyadh

The King Abdulaziz International Conference Center

A unique venue setting, bringing expertise to create a fully rounded, highly curated, congress, exhibition and food and beverage experience, it is built on 165,000 square meters, the building area occupies 80,000 square meters.
Venue for Hosting IGF 2024

King Abdulaziz International Conference Center

Center amenities

- Large spaces for halls and other facilities
- 2 main halls, each of which can accommodate more than 1,000 people
- More than 12 meeting rooms accommodating more than 80 people
- A space in the reception hall for media outlets and channels
- Reception area for more than 600 people
- VIP reception lounge
- Reception suites for Excellencies, each of which accommodates 20 persons
- VIP entrances
- External green spaces and gardens that can be provided with accompanying activities
King Abdulaziz International Conference Center will be customized to serve the forum in the best way, with the consideration of all the requirements from the UN.

KAAICC will have 14 zones, all workshops, booths launches…etc. are distributed in the following areas:

- Main Stage
- Lunch Area
- Bilateral Meeting Room
- UN Offices
- Workshops
- Media Center
- Main Entrance
- Village Booths
- First Aid
- VIP Suites
- Prayer Rooms, Quiet Room, Meditation Room, Holding Room for Interpreters
- Child care and Misc. rooms
- Booths 3*3
- Marketplace
Venue Layout
The Stage

- The stage area is 50 * 100 square meters.

- Number of seats for VIPs
  1st row 48 seats
  Total for the 1st (3) rows: 144 seats

- Number of audience seats
  Each row 74 seats
  Total of 1406 seats

- Total number of seats for the hall
  1550 seats
IGF 2024 Venue
Reception & Lobby
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IGF Track

Progress in the IGF tracks

**Parliamentary Track:**
Shura Council is currently leading this track from the host country, a team is officially formulated and led by Shura Council member Dr. Latifa AlabdulKarim, in addition to the IPU who are also part of the team.

**Youth Track:**
Misk Foundation is leading this track and to represent the youth from the Saudi, ongoing discussion with IGF Secretariat on the workplan and the way forward.

**Business Track:**
Since this is a new suggested track, host country, IGF Secretariat and International Chamber of Commerce are exploring this idea and working on maximizing the value.

**High-Level Track:**
Invitations are underway, sessions/panels are in the design phase, there will be 4 to 5 sessions related to this track at the IGF.
IGF Riyadh 2024 Website

King Khalid International Airport

Arrival in Riyadh

Registration

For those who visit IGF Riyadh 2024

01. Create a user account

02. Activate your account

03. Register for IGF Riyadh 2024

Journey to "Building Our Multistakeholder Digital Future" May 2024

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Practical Information

Currency

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Roaming

Dress Code

Throughout the venue:

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Everyone is welcome ..
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