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By the Numbers Report

Seville, Spain

What is an ICANN Public Meeting?

ICANN Public Meetings provide opportunities for an internationally diverse group of individuals and organizations to come together to discuss and develop policies for the Internet's naming systems. ICANN's international meetings have been a staple of ICANN's multistakeholder, bottom-up, consensus-building model since its formation in 1998.

What is the Policy Forum?

The Policy Forum is dedicated to policy development work of the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees (SO/ACs) as well as regional outreach activities, and serves as an important opportunity for policy development process (PDP) working groups to advance their work in face-to-face meetings with the broader community.

Why do we publish technical data from ICANN Public Meetings?

ICANN Public Meetings need to innovate, adapt, and evolve to meet their purpose: to support ICANN's multistakeholder model. Data from Public Meetings provide reliable information on what attendees want, what ICANN is doing well, and where ICANN has opportunities to improve. By leveraging this data, we can be responsive to our community's needs.

We will continue to look for opportunities to standardize the information that we collect to ensure that data is consistent. Ultimately, our goal is to continue to improve our metrics and provide our community with more valuable data.

If you would like to learn more about ICANN Meetings or have questions about this data report, please contact: meetingdata@icann.org.

Where can I find more information about ICANN Public Meetings?

Each meeting has a dedicated website that acts as a broad guide to the conference with details on the venue, information about the local area, a program of social events during the week, and answers to frequently asked questions about ICANN meetings.

To find out how to participate, go to <https://meetings.icann.org/en/about>.

To learn more about the Fellowship Program, go to <http://www.icann.org/en/fellowships>.

For a schedule of past and upcoming meetings, go to <http://meetings.icann.org/calendar>.

For the press page, go to <https://www.icann.org/media-en>.

If you belong to an organization that is interested in displaying an exhibit at a meeting or in sponsoring a meeting, please contact: meeting-sponsorship@icann.org.

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Attendee Profile



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Attendee Profile for Seville, Spain

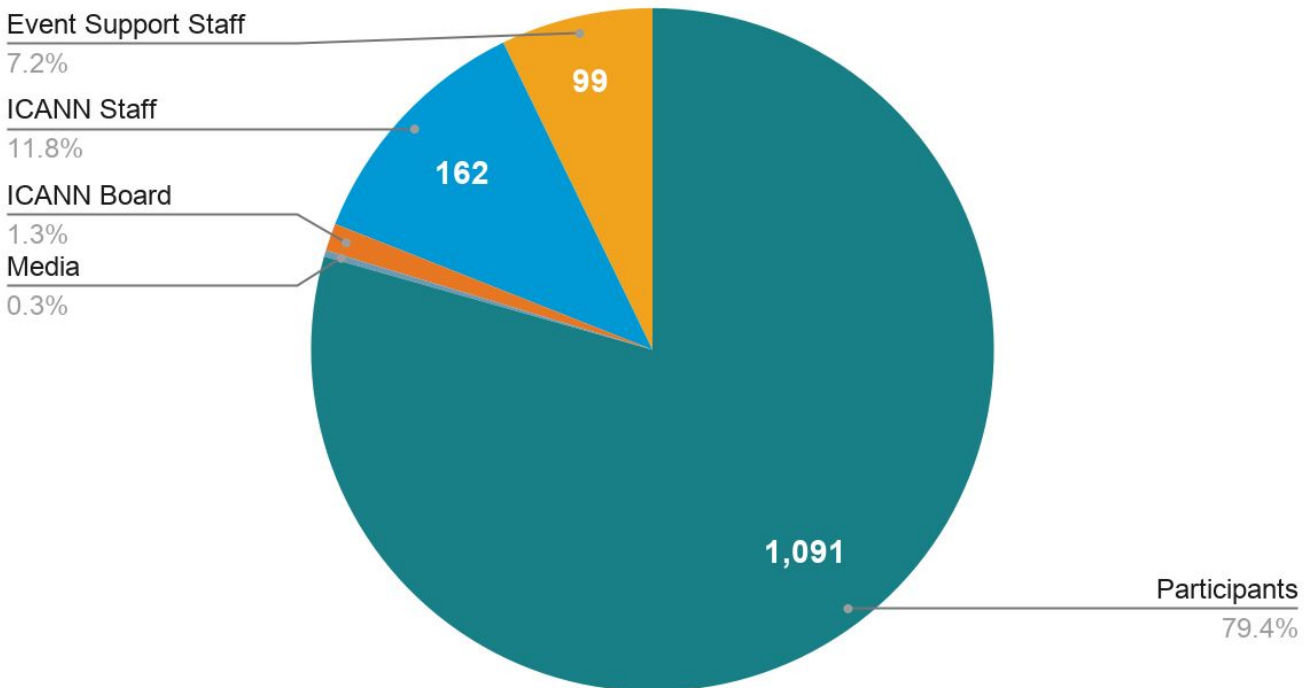
ICANN86 had 1,939 attendees, with 1,374 participating in person and 565 registered to join us virtually.

ICANN Public Meetings are a central pillar of ICANN's multistakeholder model. They provide a venue for advancing policy work, conducting outreach, exchanging best practices, conducting business deals, interacting with members of the ICANN community, with the ICANN Board and staff, and learning about ICANN.

For this section, the attendee profile metrics are derived from data that users provided during the meeting registration process. Attendees were not required to answer all questions.



ICANN86 In Person Attendee Breakdown



Attendee Profile: Regional

Attendee Profile by ICANN Regions

Geographic representation is fundamental to ICANN. The ICANN Bylaws (Section 7.5) currently define five geographic regions: Africa, Asia/Australia/Pacific, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, and North America.

The ICANN geographic regions were originally defined to ensure regional representation in the composition of the ICANN Board. Subsequently, these definitions were also applied to the Generic Names Supporting Organization, the At-Large Advisory Committee, and the Country Code Names Supporting Organization.

Selections are based on the five ICANN geographic regions shown on the map below.

Regional In Person & Virtual Attendance

North America

491 attendees

166 Represented Countries/Territories

Europe

725 attendees

Latin America/ Caribbean

121 attendees

Africa

212 attendees

Asia/Australia/Pacific

390 attendees

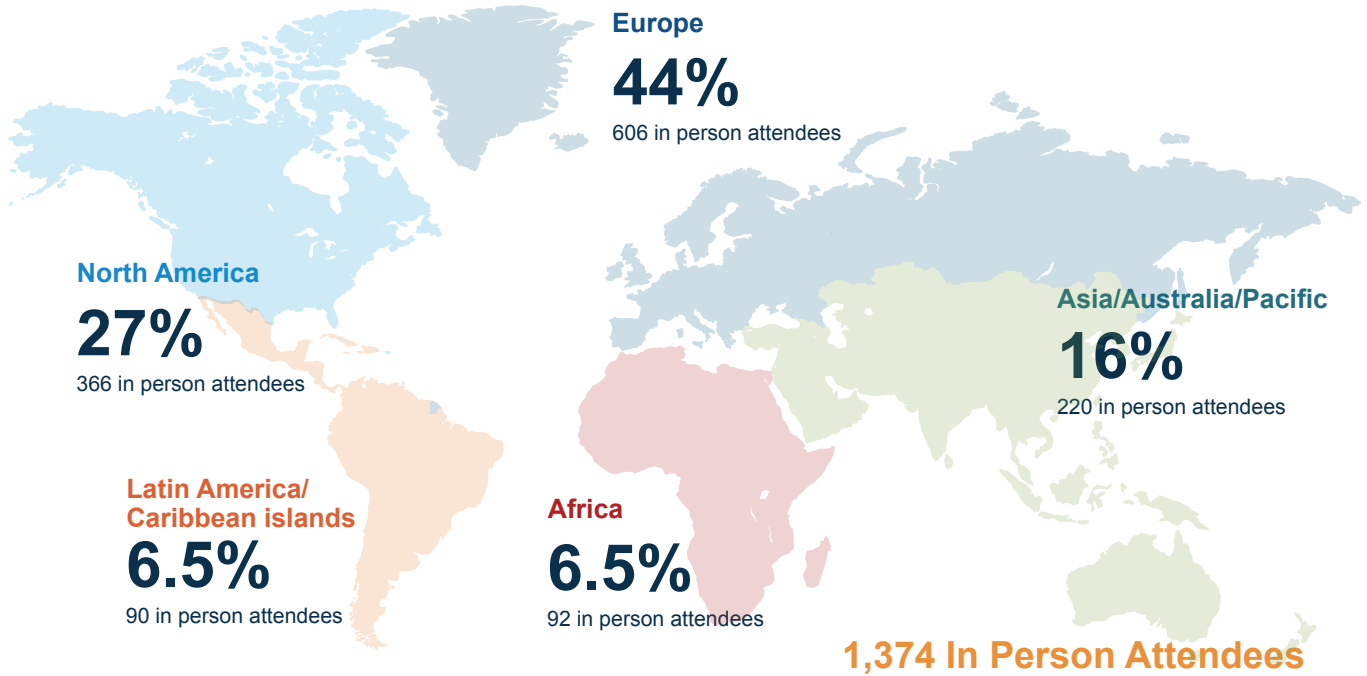
1,939 Total Attendees

Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board, and Community Members.

Attendee Profile: In Person vs. Virtual

Regional In Person Attendance

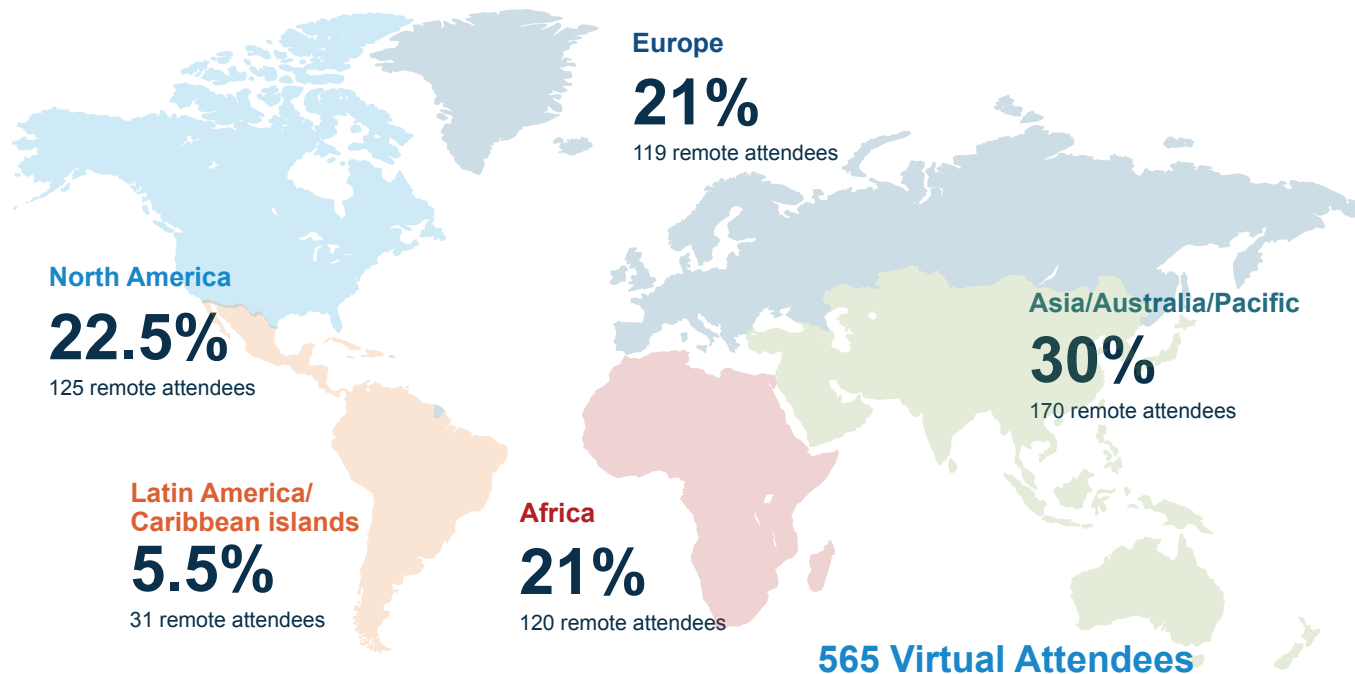
124 Represented Countries/Territories



Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board, and Community Members.

Regional Virtual Attendance

111 Represented Countries/Territories



Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board, and Community Members.

Attendee Profile: Regional

Africa (AF) Regional Attendance

The attendee profile metrics for ICANN86 are derived from data that users provided during the meeting registration process.

The Africa region has an average regional attendance rate of 225 people in person and virtually for ICANN meetings from ICANN69 (2020) through ICANN86 (2026). This average is currently 12.3 percent of the overall attendance of ICANN meetings.



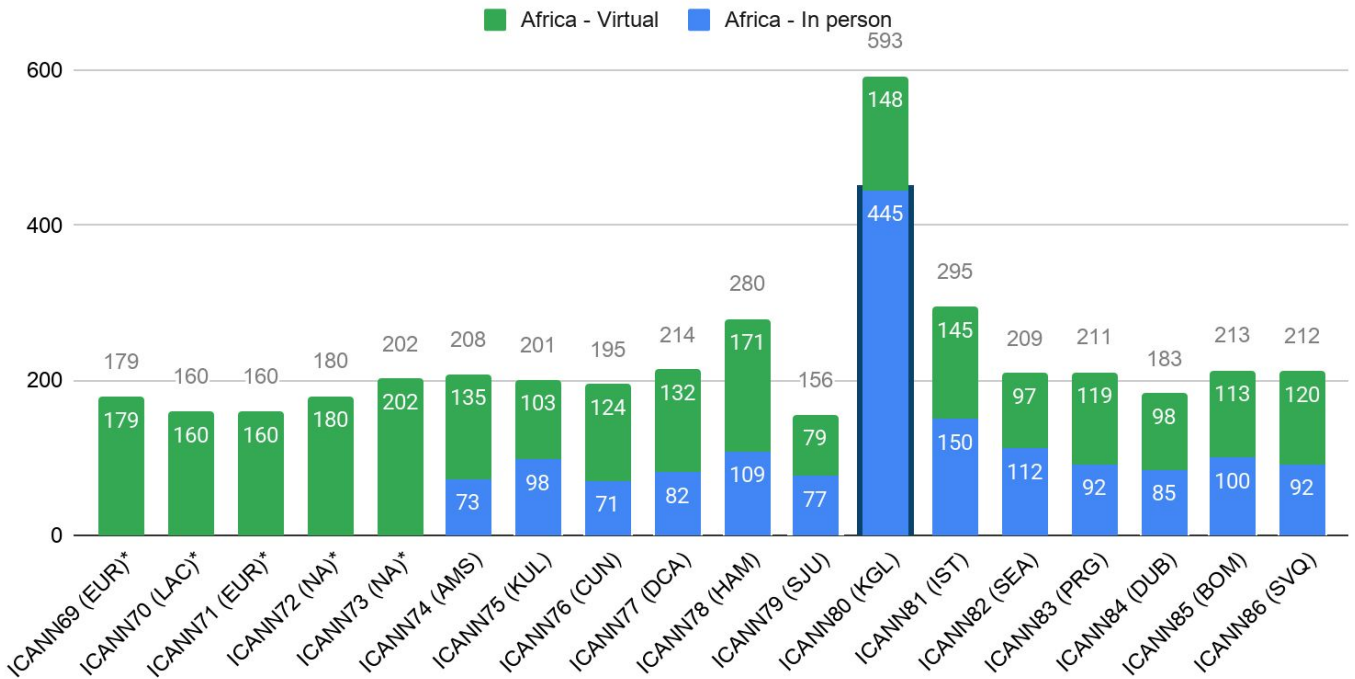
212

ICANN86 Attendance

-0.5% (-1) compared to **ICANN85** [Prior Meeting]

+0.5 (+1) compared to **ICANN83** [Prior Policy Forum]

-64.3% (-381) compared to **ICANN80** [Prior AF Regional Meeting]



In person meeting locations are noted by 3-letter airport codes.
 *Noted as a virtual-only meeting conducted in the specified regional timezone.
 Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board, and Community Members.

Attendee Profile: Regional



Asia/Australia/Pacific (APAC) Regional Attendance

The attendee profile metrics for ICANN86 are derived from data that users provided during the meeting registration process.

The APAC region has an average regional attendance rate of 453 people in person and virtually for ICANN meetings from ICANN69 (2020) through ICANN86 (2026). This average is currently 24.7 percent of the overall attendance of ICANN meetings.

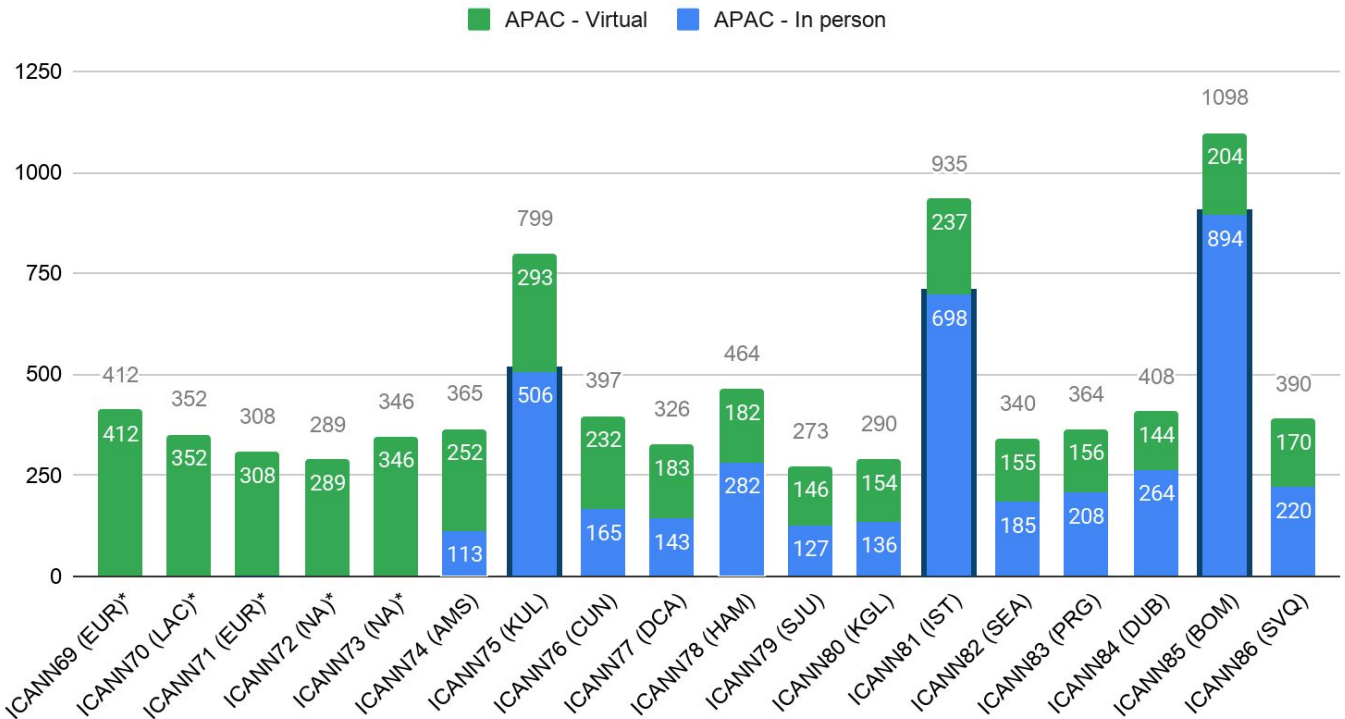
390

ICANN86 Attendance

-64.5% (-708) compared to **ICANN85** [Prior Meeting]

+7.1% (+26) compared to **ICANN83** [Prior Policy Forum]

-64.5% (-708) compared to **ICANN85** [Prior APAC Regional Meeting]

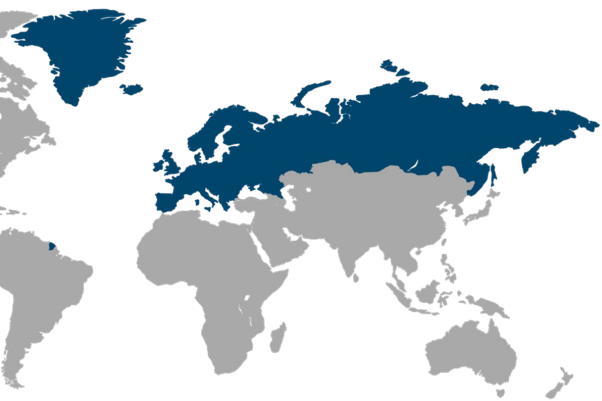


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Attendee Profile: Regional



Europe (EUR) Regional Attendance

The attendee profile metrics for ICANN86 are derived from data that users provided during the meeting registration process.

The European region has an average regional attendance rate of 495 people in person and virtually for ICANN meetings from ICANN69 (2020) through ICANN86 (2026). This average is currently 27 percent of the overall attendance of ICANN meetings.

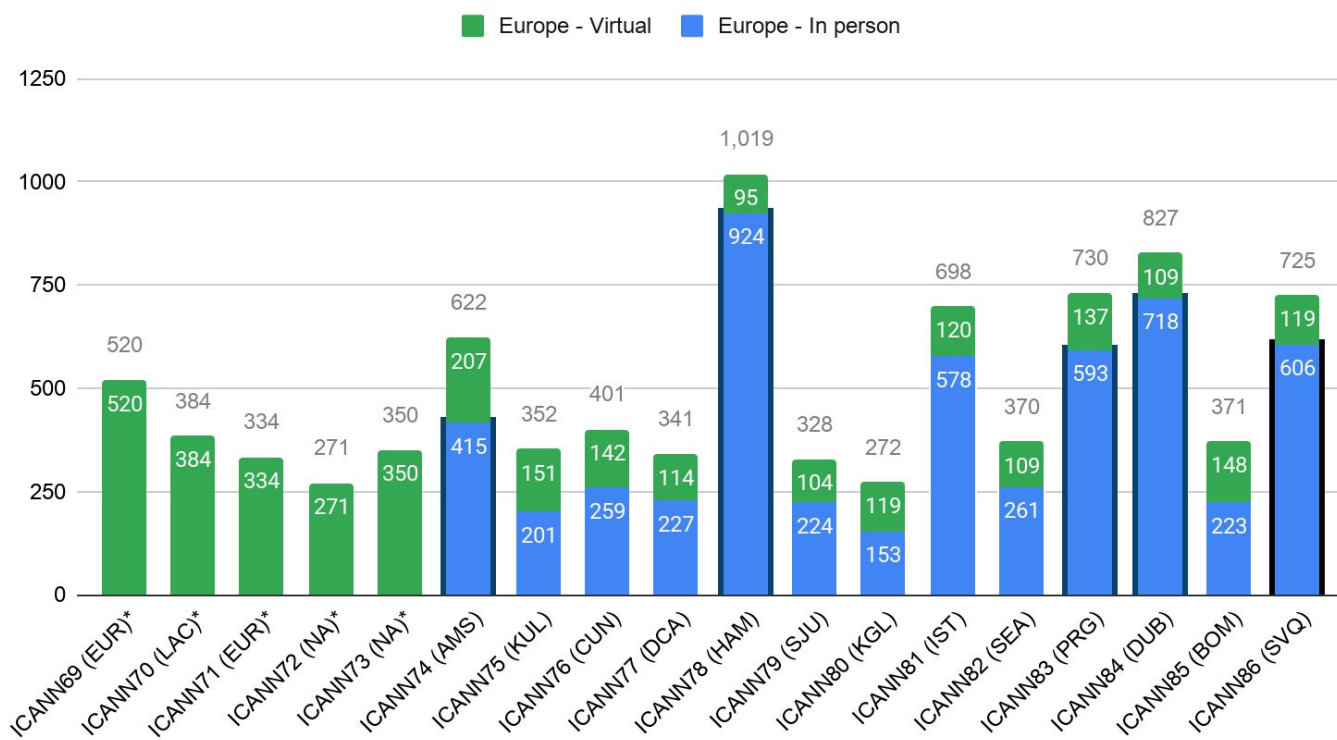
725

ICANN86 Attendance

+95.4% (+354) compared to **ICANN85** [Prior Meeting]

-0.7% (-5) compared to **ICANN83** [Prior Policy Forum]

-12.3% (-102) compared to **ICANN84** [Prior EUR Regional Meeting]



In person meeting locations are noted by 3-letter airport codes.

*Noted as a virtual-only meeting conducted in the specified regional timezone.

Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board, and Community Members.

Attendee Profile: Regional



Latin America/Caribbean Islands (LAC) Regional Attendance

The attendee profile metrics for ICANN86 are derived from data that users provided during the meeting registration process.

The LAC region has an average regional attendance rate of 140 people in person and virtually for ICANN meetings from ICANN69 (2020) through ICANN86 (2026). This average is currently 7.7 percent of the overall attendance of ICANN meetings.

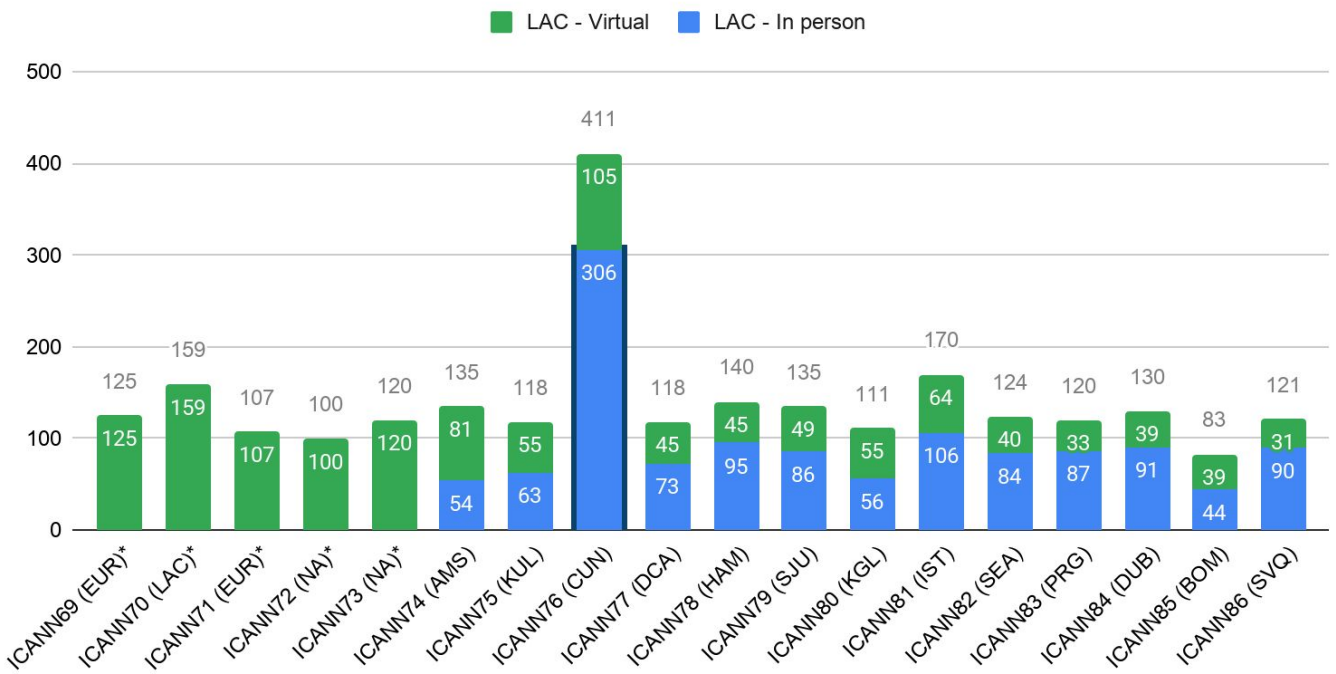
121

ICANN86 Attendance

+45.8% (+38) compared to **ICANN85** [Prior Meeting]

+0.8% (+1) compared to **ICANN83** [Prior Policy Forum]

-70.6% (-290) compared to **ICANN76** [Prior LAC Regional Meeting]



In person meeting locations are noted by 3-letter airport codes.

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Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board and Community Members.

Attendee Profile: Regional

North America (NA) Regional Attend

The attendee profile metrics for ICANN86 are derived from data that users provided during the meeting registration process.

The North American region has an average regional attendance rate of 566 people in person and virtually for ICANN meetings from ICANN69 (2020) through ICANN86 (2026). This average is currently 30.9 percent of the overall attendance of ICANN meetings.



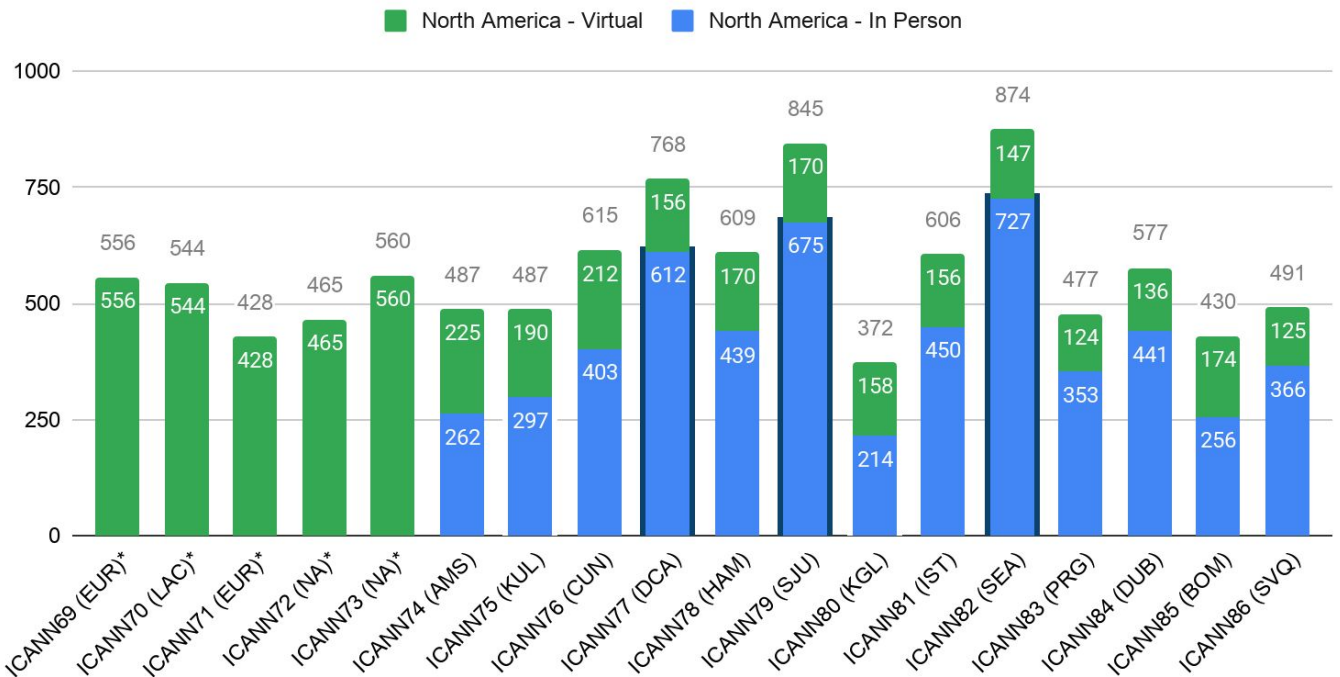
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ICANN86 Attendance

+14.2% (+61) compared to **ICANN85** [Prior Meeting]

+2.9% (+14) compared to **ICANN83** [Prior Policy Forum]

-43.8% (-383) compared to **ICANN82** [Prior NA Regional Meeting]



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Participation Trends

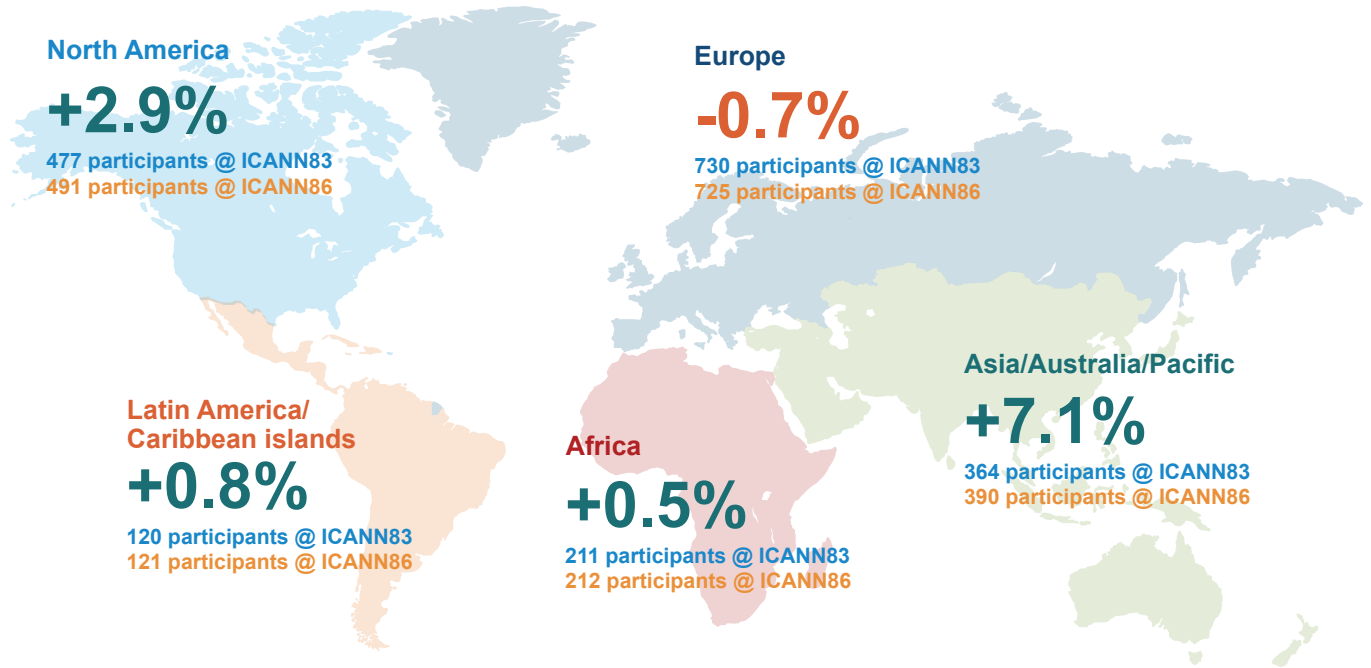


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FY2020–FY2026 Trends: Participation

Attendance Trends | ICANN83 (EUR) vs. ICANN86 (EUR) Comparing Recent Policy Forums



Based on In Person & Virtual Participation of 1,902 vs. 1,939 (+1.9%)

Data includes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board, and Community Members.



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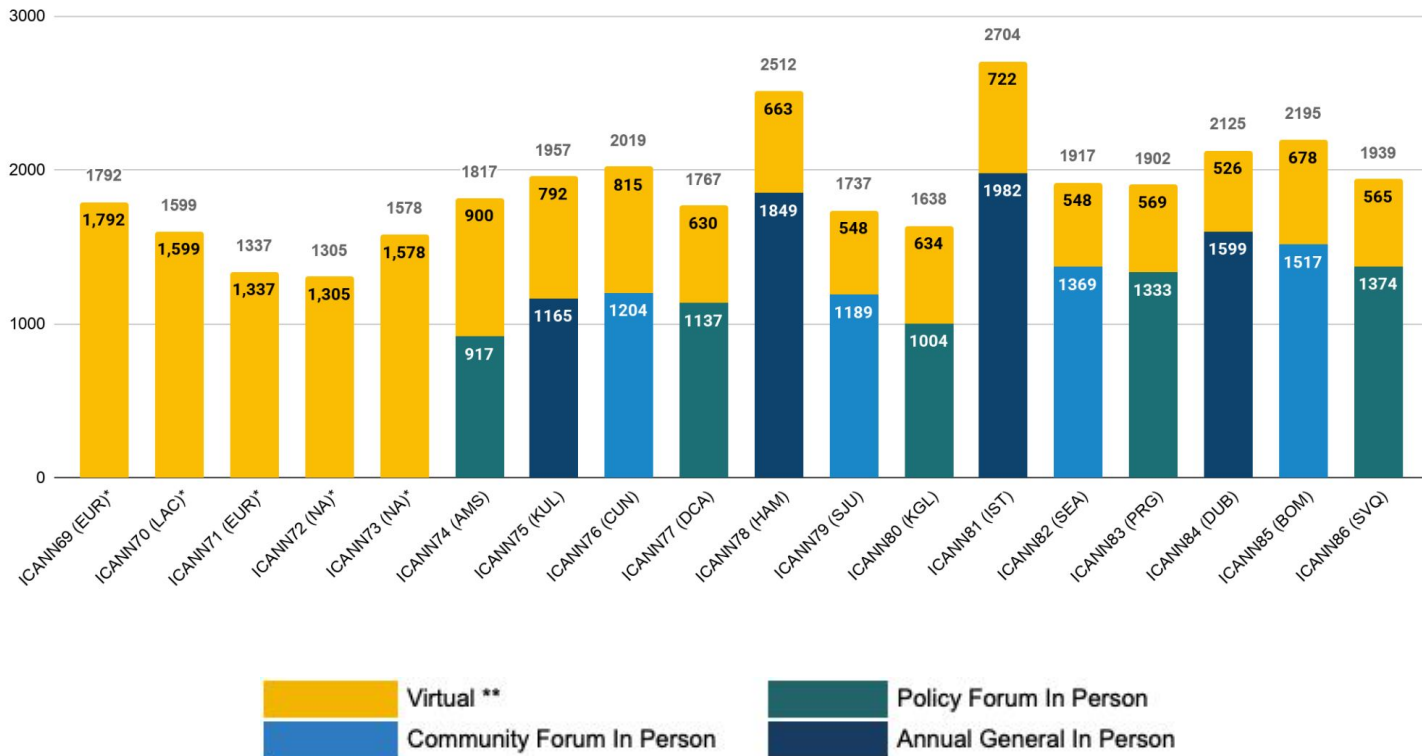
FY2020–FY2026 Trends: Participation

Attendance Overview of ICANN69–ICANN86

1,841
Community Forum
Average Attendance

1,733
Policy Forum
Average Attendance

2,066
Annual General Meeting
Average Attendance



In person meeting locations are noted by 3-letter airport codes.
 *Noted as a virtual-only meeting conducted in the specified regional timezone.
 **Virtual attendees are estimated based on available registration data.

1,880
Overall Average
Attendance

Data provided is shown by ICANN's 5-year strategic plans.
 Fiscal year (FY) 2020 through FY 2026. (July 2020 to current)

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Session Statistics



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Session Statistics for Seville, Spain

Each type of session has a different structure and purpose:

- **Open Sessions** are open to everyone and are supported with remote participation tools for additional outside participation.
- **Closed Sessions** are typically open only to members of a specific group and are restricted from having observer participation.
- **Sign-Up Rooms** are on-site impromptu meetings, held in session rooms that have open time slots.

This chart breaks down meetings conducted by room usage.



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Total Session Hours

182.5

Average In Person Attendance per Session

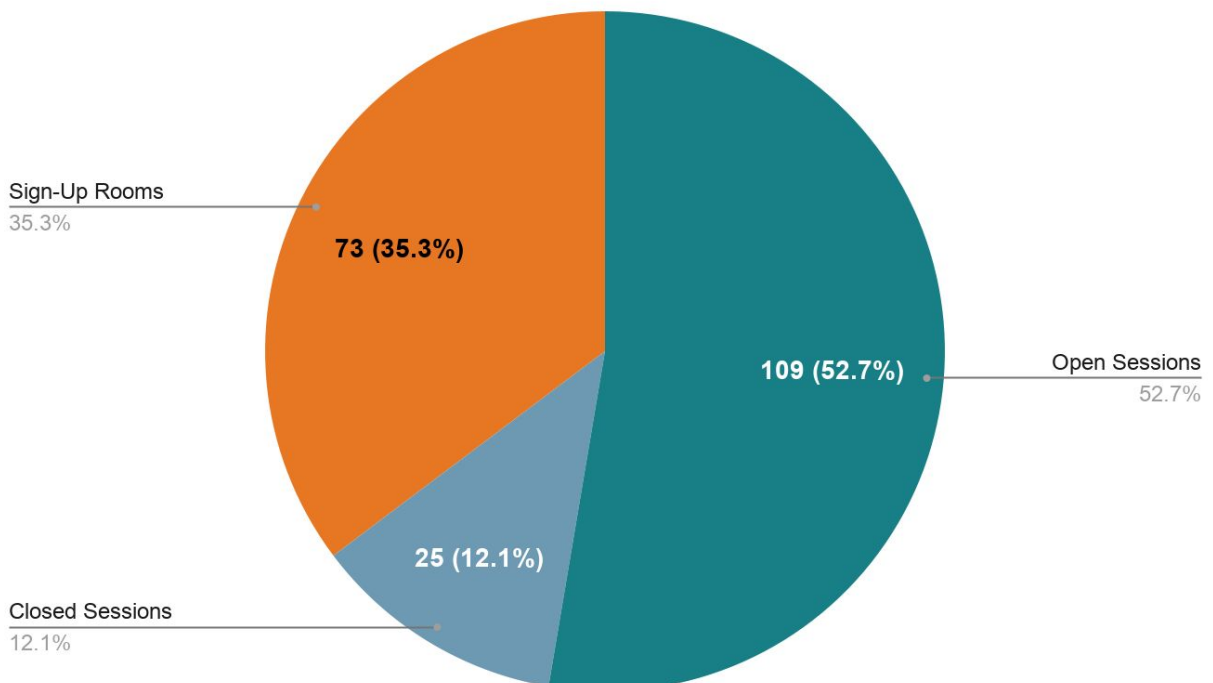
53 Participants

Based on Mid-session Counts of Rooms

Total Session Count

134

ICANN86 Room Usage



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Session Statistics

Session Attendance – Top 25 Sessions

This list ranks the top 25 sessions based on attendance. The attendance number comes from mid-session manual headcounts done for every session. The count includes only people who were physically present in the session room at the time of the count.

SESSION NAME	IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE ▼
Current and Coming Impact of Artificial Intelligence on DNS Abuse	225
GAC Discussion on DNS Abuse Mitigation	204
GAC Discussion on Registration Data Issues and Informational Session on Accuracy of Registration Data	177
GAC Discussion on New gTLD Program Next Round	155
GAC Opening Plenary	150
GNSO: DNS Abuse Mitigation PDP 1 (1 of 4)	144
GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board and Communique Review Discussion	143
GAC Capacity Development Session: GAC readiness for Next Round (1/2)	140
ccNSO: Tech Day (1 of 2)	118
ccNSO: Regulatory Trends on DNS Resilience Affecting ccTLDs (1 of 2)	115
GNSO: DNS Abuse Mitigation PDP 1 (3 of 4)	115
ccNSO Members Meeting: Welcome & ccNSO Governance	114
GAC Capacity Development Session: GAC readiness for Next Round (2/2)	112
ccNSO: ccTLD News Session (1 of 2)	112
GAC Discussion on ICANN Reviews of Reviews and Operating Principles Working Group Update	106
GNSO: DNS Abuse Mitigation PDP 1 (2 of 4)	103
ccNSO: ccTLDs and Registrars Tackling DNS Abuse	98
ccNSO: Joint Session with GNSO RySG	96
ccNSO: ccTLD Perspectives on Resilience (2 of 2)	93
ccNSO: ccTLD News Session (2 of 2)	90
ccNSO: Tech Day (2 of 2)	89
GAC Leadership and Operations Update	86
GNSO: DNS Abuse Mitigation PDP 1 (4 of 4)	84
GAC Communique Drafting (3 of 5)	83
Meet and Greet: Fellowship and NextGen@ICANN Programs	82

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Schedule Website Statistics



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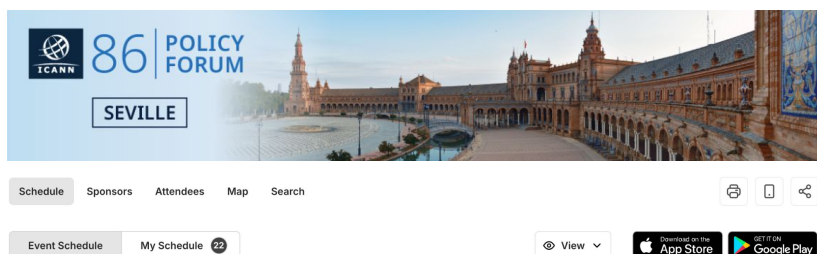
Schedule Website Statistics

Schedule Platform | <https://icann86.sched.com/>

ICANN utilized Sched.com to publish the schedule and participation links.

Before a meeting, the website includes language streaming links, remote participation links, and presentations. Shortly after a session concludes, the audio recording links are automatically posted.

The Meetings Technical Services (MTS) team digitally test all audio recordings before they are posted. Periods of dead air are removed so listeners don't have to fast-forward through gaps in a recording. When MTS completes this process, ICANN Language Services processes and posts the associated transcripts.



Attendees Logged In

1,307

Personal Schedules Created

1,025



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Participation Statistics



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Participation Statistics – Zoom Meetings

Virtual Participation

A very important facet of ICANN meetings is virtual participation. This section presents metrics related to the services provided on-site during meetings.

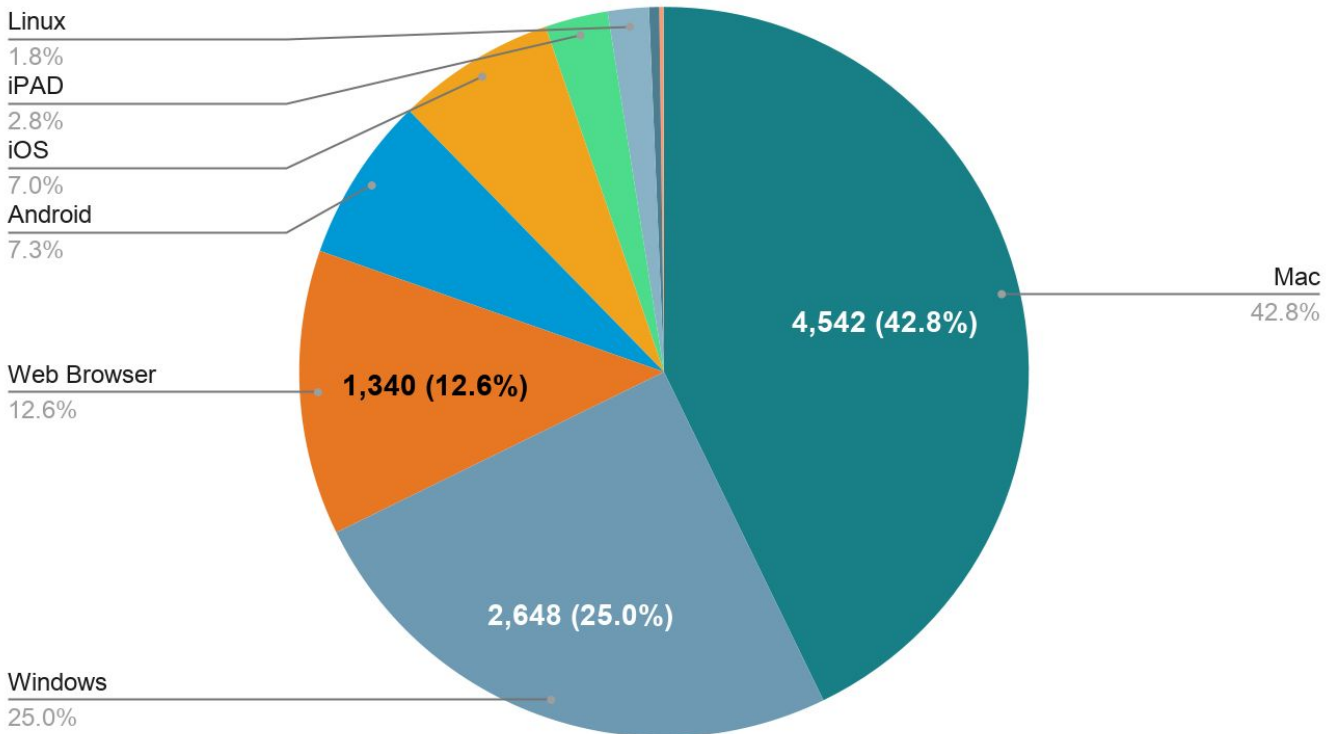
Services Provided:

Zoom Meetings—Visual platform with presentations, participant chat, video of session room, and other tools. Recordings of meetings are posted after the session concludes. A mobile app version is also available on app stores. Zoom provides built-in video streaming, audio streaming for all languages available, and for closed caption scribing, either live or auto-computer generated transcripts.

Video Streaming—Video and audio streamed live to Youtube.com is only for plenary rooms. All other rooms utilize Zoom for video streaming.

Scribing—Closed captioning is a live stream of text transcribed from the session’s audio, and is available in English for several sessions. Zoom also provides auto-computer generated transcripts.

Zoom Device Connections



Participation Statistics – In Person

In Person Attendees by Top 40 Countries

COUNTRY / TERRITORY	IN-PERSON ATTENDEES ▼
United States of America	219
Spain	118
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	87
Germany	66
France	63
Belgium	46
Canada	40
Netherlands	40
Indonesia	32
India	27
Portugal	26
Switzerland	25
Brazil	23
China	21
Taipei, Chinese	21
Australia	18
Japan	17
Argentina	16
Nigeria	16
Türkiye, Republic of	13
Sweden	12
United Arab Emirates	12
Ireland	11
Libya	10
Serbia	10
Poland	9
Chile	8
Italy	8
Kenya	8
Norway	8
Austria	7
Viet Nam	7
Czech Republic	6
Egypt	6
Mexico	6
Russian Federation	6
Slovakia	6
South Africa	6
Trinidad and Tobago	6
Uruguay	6

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General Information



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General Information

ICANN Equipment Shipped to ICANN86

Much like a touring band, ICANN has learned over time that the most cost-effective method of ensuring that meeting participants have a positive experience is to sea freight our own equipment to ICANN meetings. We ship critical equipment, then rent the remaining equipment locally to help promote the local economy.

The following depicts the equipment shipped in 103 cases for ICANN86.

ICANN-Owned Equipment Shipment Weight

12,822 kgs | 28,295 lbs

- or -

14.1 tons | 12.8 tonnes

- or -

8,548 Flamenco Guitars



Seville's Triana neighborhood, a cradle of [flamenco](#) guitar craftsmanship.
Based on an average of 1.5 kg per guitar.

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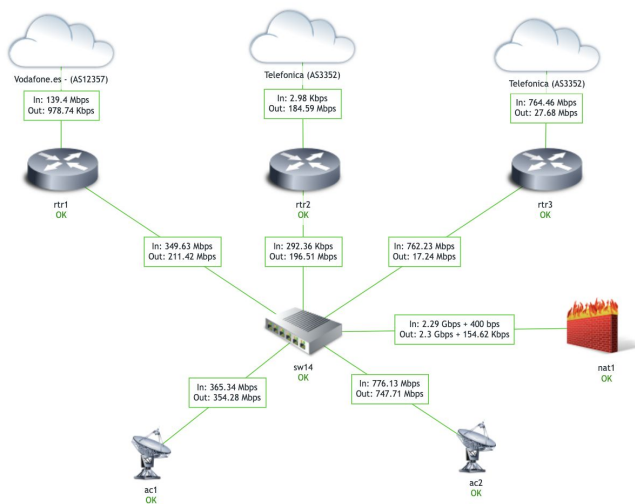
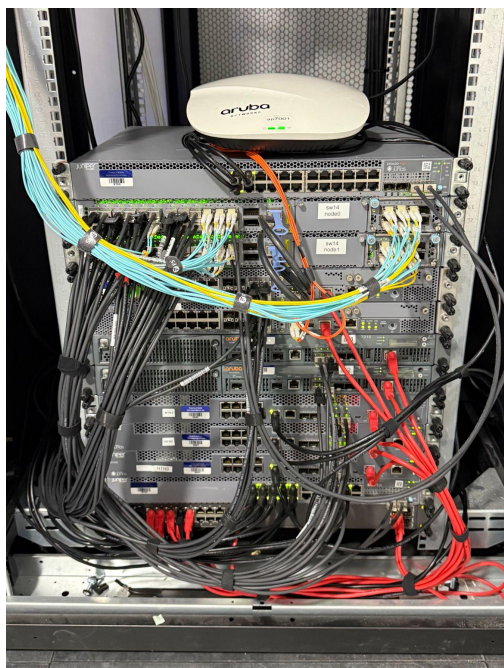
Network Operations Center

Session Monitoring

The Network Operations Center (NOC) monitors all session rooms, including audio streams, recordings, Wi-Fi associations, connectivity stability, room temperatures, and technician status. At any time, NOC staff can look at the monitoring screen and get a real-time status check of any session room.



The NOC uses Zabbix to monitor all active equipment deployed into various areas of the venue. The tool enables the NOC to respond quickly to power outages, network problems, and equipment failures. The NOC is where the Meetings, Meetings Technical Services, and Security teams work together to ensure quick inter-departmental communications and coordination.



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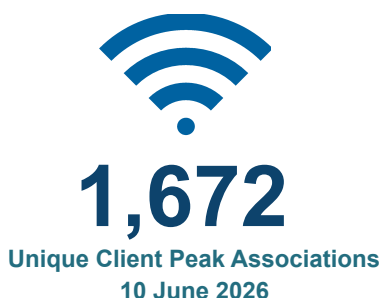
Wi-Fi Client Associations and Bandwidth

During an ICANN meeting, the Meetings Technical Services team closely monitors the network load and Wi-Fi associations to each wireless access point. Alerts notify the Network Operations Center (NOC) team when a maximum number of users are associated with a single access point. The NOC team responds promptly by mitigating issues with access points or deploying more access points.

Great care and time go into the deployment plan for wireless access points. The NOC team works closely with our wireless vendor Aruba to ensure the best possible configuration of device profiles.

Our goal is to ensure the highest quality experience for all attendees on the ICANN network.

Wi-Fi Associations



Bandwidth Utilization

1,779
Average Per Client
Download Mbps

527
Average Per Client
Upload Mbps

Network Fun Facts

2.76 BILLION packets in 7 days

That's roughly 4,560 packets per second, every second, for a week straight.
About one packet for every three people on Earth.

7.44 TB processed over WiFi

Equivalent to streaming 1,580 full-length 4K movies in the same week.

5.4 GB of data per attendee

About 1,800 high-resolution photos worth of bandwidth, for every person on-site.

3,228 unique devices joined the WiFi

That's an average of 2.35 devices per attendee, with 1,672 connected at the same time at peak.

Bandwidth Consumption and Allocation

This data shows the bandwidth that was provided and consumed, and the traffic allocation between IPv4 and IPv6.

IPv6 Data Transferred In/Out

2,913

IPv6 Download Gbytes

575

IPv6 Upload Gbytes

IPv6 Network Usage

26%

IPv4 Data Transferred In/Out

7,077

IPv4 Download Gbytes

2,874

IPv4 Upload Gbytes

IPv4 Network Usage

74%

Internet Service Providers

2

On-Site Bandwidth Gbps

Vodafone
Telefonica

Total Data Transferred In/Out

9,990

Download Gbytes

3,449

Upload Gbytes



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