

18 LACIGF

Córdoba, Argentina November 2025

About the event

The eighteenth edition of the Latin American and Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (LACIGF) - www.lacigf.org - will be held in Córdoba, Argentina. This event, which brings together the community interested in Internet governance, will take place on November 5 and 6, 2025, at the Catholic University of Córdoba - Juan Carlos Scannone S.J. Center Building (Obispo Trejo 323, Córdoba).

We invite you to participate in person by attending the sessions:

Time: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. GMT-3 (both days) **Location**: Catholic University of Córdoba

Address: Obispo Trejo 323, Córdoba, Argentina

You can also participate remotely by connecting to the sessions via the YouTube channel of the Latin American and Caribbean Internet Governance Forum <u>@LACIGF</u>.

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If you wish to actively participate in the sessions, you must register as an event participant with your email address at the following link: https://registro.lacigf.org/es/confirmacion-de-asistencia-edicion-18 We will send you an email with the access links for each day of the event. If you have any questions, please write to the following email address: contacto@lacigf.org.

During the Forum, refreshments will be offered in the morning and afternoon to all participants who have the event wristband.

During the forum, you will have free Wi-Fi access in the building.



How to get there

The Juan Carlos Scannone S.J. Building at the Catholic University of Córdoba is located at Obispo Trejo 323, X5000 IYG, Córdoba Capital, a few meters from the Plaza de la Compañía de Jesús and right in the city center.

How to get there by bus

The urban bus lines that have stops nearby are: 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 25, 30, 33, 36, 37, and 53, among others.

The closest stops are:

Obispo Trejo 300 stop, in front of the building (1 min walk).

Duarte Quirós 200 stop, 3 min walk.

How to get there by trolleybus

Trolleybus lines **A**, **B**, and **C** pass through the center and stop a few meters away at Av. Colón and Obispo Trejo (approx. 5 min walk).

Available payment methods

1. **SUBE card**: You can get a SUBE card even if you are a foreigner

2. Debit, credit, or contactless prepaid cards

- Visa and Mastercard in many cases.
- You can also use your phone or watch with NFC that has that card associated with it.
- **3. Mobile devices and NFC technology:** If your cell phone has NFC, you can use it to pay with the digital SUBE by placing your cell phone with the screen on on the bus reader.



4. QR code: Through the SUBE app, as well as the Banco Nación app ("BNA+"), you can pay by generating a QR code that you hold up to the reader on the bus.

From the Córdoba Bus Terminal

The building is about **15 minutes away by bus** (lines 30, 33, 36, 37, or 53) or **10 minutes by taxi/remís**.

On foot from landmarks

- Plaza San Martín (historic center): 8 min walk.
- National University of Córdoba Campus (University City): 20 min walk or 7 min by bus.

Travel documents

- Prepare the necessary documentation for your trip in advance: If you are coming from another country, you will need your passport or your identity card/ID, as applicable.
- Entry from MERCOSUR and associated countries: Citizens of Brazil, Bolivia, Uruguay, Paraguay, Chile, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, and Venezuela can enter Argentina with only their valid identity card or ID.
- Entry from other countries: All other citizens must present a valid passport in good condition, preferably with a minimum validity of three to six months from the date of entry.
- Visa: Some countries are exempt from visas for stays of up to 90 days as tourists, with the possibility of an extension for the same period, but the requirements depend on your nationality. Check with the relevant Argentine consulate or the National Immigration Office.
- Departure ticket: It is recommended that you have a ticket to leave the country, as proof of return or continuation of travel, as immigration authorities may request it.



- **Proof of financial means**: The authorities may require you to prove that you have sufficient financial means for your stay. You can demonstrate this with bank statements, cards, cash, etc.
- **Travel insurance**: Since July 2025, it has been mandatory to have travel medical insurance with adequate international coverage. You can obtain this with your credit card or through travel agencies.
- Vaccinations and health requirements: There are no mandatory vaccinations for entry into Argentina, except in specific circumstances depending on your country of origin or the areas you visit.

Currency

The official currency of the country is the **Argentine Peso (ARS)**. The exchange rate against the US dollar varies constantly due to inflation and the different exchange rates in force in the market, so it is advisable to **check the current value before traveling**.

When entering Argentina, you are allowed to carry up to **USD 10,000 in cash** (or its equivalent in other currencies) without having to declare it. If the amount is higher, you must make a **declaration to Customs**.

Value Added Tax (VAT) in Argentina is 21% and is included in most prices for goods and services. In some hotels and tourist accommodations, foreign visitors paying with an international card may be exempt from this tax (check at the time of booking).

Use of cards and cash

• You can pay with **debit and credit cards** in most restaurants, hotels, shops, and supermarkets.



- However, it is recommended that you have some cash in Argentine pesos, as not all places accept cards (particularly small businesses, markets, or taxis). The safest option is to exchange money at official exchange offices or banks authorized by the Central Bank of Argentina. Always carry your passport, as it is often requested as identification, and compare the rates at several exchange offices before deciding to get the best rate. Avoid exchanging money on the street or with people who offer a "better price" informally, as this increases the risk of receiving counterfeit bills or being scammed. Keep the receipt for the transaction and divide the cash into different places for greater security while traveling around the city. More information: Authorized currency exchange offices
- When withdrawing money from ATMs with foreign cards, banks often charge a high additional commission and the maximum withdrawal amount may be limited.
- A common alternative for tourists is to pay by card using the "MEP Dollar" or "Tourist Dollar" method, where the exchange rate applied is usually more favorable than the official rate. More information: bcra.qob.ar
- There are also official currency exchange offices, banks, and authorized virtual wallet applications that allow for more **convenient currency conversion**.

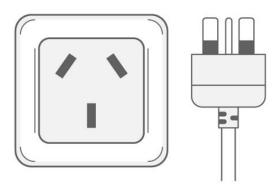
Electricity and power outlets

In Argentina, **type C and type I power outlets (plugs) are used**. Type I is the most common in the country, with three flat prongs in a "V" shape. Many accommodations and spaces also have type C outlets (two round prongs), which are compatible with European chargers.

The standard voltage is 220 V and the frequency is 50 Hz, the same as in most South American countries.

It is recommended that you bring a **universal adapter** if you are traveling from a country that uses a different type of plug.





Transportation from the airport

At airports and bus terminals, it is advisable to always hire formal and official transportation services. At Ingeniero Ambrosio Taravella International Airport (Córdoba – Pajas Blancas), authorized transportation services are located at the exit of the arrivals hall, at the marked stops for taxis and remises.

Pay special attention to the recommendations posted on signs and announced over the airport loudspeakers.

Transportation options and prices from Córdoba Airport

Official taxis and private hire cars (remises)

- Authorized taxi and private hire car companies operate within the airport, with regulated fares.
- The cost to the center of Córdoba is usually around ARS 7,000 to 10,000 (approximately USD 7–10, depending on the exchange rate).
- Payment can be made in cash in Argentine pesos or by card (depending on the company).

Private and shared transfers

 Private transportation services and shared vans are available with advance booking.



 Prices are fixed and depend on the destination area (e.g., downtown, Nueva Córdoba, Villa Carlos Paz).

City and medium-distance buses

- The Aerobus company connects the airport directly to the Córdoba Bus Terminal.
- It runs approximately every 30 minutes and costs around ARS 1,000 (less than USD 1 at the official tourist exchange rate, subject to change).
- Payment is made with the Red Bus card, which can be purchased at kiosks or at the terminal.

Transportation apps

- Apps such as Uber, Cabify, and DiDi operate in Córdoba, but they do not have an official stop inside the airport.
- Generally, the driver coordinates with the passenger to pick them up in the parking lot or on streets near the exit.
- It is important to exercise caution, as these services are not officially regulated within the airport.

Suggested hotels for LACIGF 18

NH Córdoba Panorama

Address: Av. Marcelo T. de Alvear 251, X5000KGF, Córdoba, Argentina

Phone: +54 (351) 410-3960

Website: https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-cordoba-panorama

Check-in: 3:00 p.m. / Check-out: 12:00 m.

NH Córdoba Urbano

Address: Av. Marcelo T. de Alvear 363, X5000KGF, Córdoba, Argentina

Phone: +54 (351) 410-3960

Website: https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-cordoba-urbano

Check-in: 3:00 p.m. / Check-out: 12:00 m.



Amerian Córdoba Park Hotel

Address: Boulevard San Juan 165, X5000ATB Córdoba

Phone: 0810 (810 2637)

Website: https://www.amerian.com (Booking on the website with the 10% discount

code: **18LACIGF**)

Check-in: 3:00 p.m. / Check-out: 11:00 a.m.

Azur Real Hotel Boutique & Spa

Address: San Jerónimo 243/257, X5000AGC, Córdoba, Argentina

Phone: +54 (351) 424-7133

Email: reservas@azurrealhotel.com (Attendees will receive a 10% discount by

mentioning the event in their email.)
Website: https://www.azurrealhotel.com
Check-in: 3:00 p.m. / Check-out: 11:00 a.m.

Hotel Y111

Address: Av. Hipólito Yrigoyen 111

Phone: +54-03514486700

Email: reservas1@v111hotel.com (Attendees will receive a 10% discount by

mentioning the event in their email.)
Website: https://www.y111hotel.com/
Check-in: 14p.m / Check-out: 12p.m

Sociatel Selina Nueva Córdoba

Address: 163 San Lorenzo Street, Córdoba, Argentina

Phone: 0351 571-4718

Website: https://www.socialtel.com/

Check-in: 3:00 p.m. / Check-out: 11:00 a.m.

About Córdoba, Argentina

If you are going to participate in LACIGF 18, you are probably wondering what Córdoba is like.

Córdoba is Argentina's second largest city—after Buenos Aires—located in the center of the country and surrounded by the Sierras Chicas mountains. It is recognized as an important university, cultural, and economic center. Its historic



center combines colonial architecture with modern buildings and a vibrant urban life, while unique natural landscapes are just a few miles away.

LACIGF 18 will take place at the **Edificio Centro of the Catholic University of Córdoba (Obispo Trejo 323)**, located in the heart of the historic center, very close to the Jesuit Block (declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO).

Important: The weather forecast for November in Córdoba indicates **warm temperatures** (highs of 82–90°F and lows of 59–64°F). It is advisable to bring light clothing, sunscreen, and a light jacket for the evenings. **Córdoba is located at an altitude of 1,188 feet above sea level**.

Recommended places to visit

Jesuit Block

This is the city's most emblematic historical complex, declared a **World Heritage Site by UNESCO**. It includes the Church of the Society of Jesus, the Domestic Chapel, the former Rectory, and the National College of Monserrat.

- Address: Obispo Trejo 242, Córdoba Capital
- Admission: free (some attached museums have an admission fee).
- Hours: Tuesday to Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Córdoba Cathedral

Built between the 16th and 18th centuries, it is the oldest church still standing in the city. Its Baroque façade and interior with frescoes by Emilio Caraffa are not to be missed.

- Address: Independencia 80, opposite Plaza San Martín.
- Admission: free.
- Opening hours: open every day from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Paseo del Buen Pastor

A former converted into a cultural and recreational center. It has art galleries, auditoriums, restaurants, and the famous dancing fountain.



• Address: Hipólito Yrigoyen 325, Nueva Córdoba.

Admission: free.

Hours: every day, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Emilio Caraffa Museum and Sarmiento Park

The **Caraffa Museum** houses an important collection of modern and contemporary Argentine art. It is located next to **Sarmiento Park**, the city's green lung, designed by landscape architect Carlos Thays.

Address: Av. Poeta Lugones 411, Córdoba.

• General admission: 2000 ARS (approx. 2 USD).

Hours: Tuesday to Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Jesuit Estancias of Córdoba (nearby excursion)

Less than an hour from the city, you can visit the estancias of Alta Gracia, Colonia Caroya, and Santa Catalina, which together with the Jesuit Block make up the UNESCO World Heritage Site. They are an excellent cultural and scenic getaway.

Gastronomy

Güemes Neighborhood

This is Córdoba's most vibrant cultural and gastronomic hub. It is known for its bars, restaurants, antique fairs, and art galleries. It is the ideal place to enjoy Córdoba's nightlife.

• Recommendation: the **Paseo de las Artes**, with a craft fair on weekends.

Nueva Córdoba

A student and youth area with a wide variety of bars, craft breweries, and cafés. It is just a few minutes' walk from the event venue.



Typical dishes you can't miss out on trying

- Cordoba empanadas (usually sweet, with raisins).
- Locro (traditional corn and meat stew).
- Argentine barbecue (grilled cuts of meat).
- Smoked meats and goat from the mountains.

Transportation within the city

Córdoba has a network of city buses, taxis, and private hire cars.

- Official taxis are white with black roofs, and fares are regulated by meter.
- Apps such as Uber, Cabify, and DiDi operate in the city, although they do not always have official stops in central areas.
- To use the buses, you need a Red Bus card, available at kiosks and terminals.
- Remises are cars that operate in a similar way to taxis. They do not have any
 distinctive color or feature, they do not have meters, and prices are agreed in
 advance based on the route. They must be booked by phone or at a
 remisería.

We recommend: Auto Remis: +543514727777 or LH Remises: +543513097801

Tip: the city center is easily walkable, especially from the event venue to the Jesuit Block, Plaza San Martín, the Cathedral, and Nueva Córdoba.

General recommendations

- Keep your belongings safe in crowded places, especially in the downtown area and on public transportation.
- Traffic during rush hour (7:30–9:00 a.m. and 6:00–8:00 p.m.) can be heavy. Plan your trips in advance.
- To get around comfortably, download apps such as Google Maps or Moovit, which work very well with the Cordoba transport system.



About the Forum

LACIGF is a multisectoral initiative that promotes the active participation of academia, the private sector, civil society, the technical community, government, and all parties interested in discussing issues related to the digital ecosystem in order to define agreements, policies, and recommendations for the development and governance of the internet in the region.

Since 2008, a total of 17 editions of the Regional Forum have been held annually in countries such as Uruguay, Brazil, Ecuador, Trinidad and Tobago, Colombia, Argentina, El Salvador, Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama, Bolivia, and Chile.

This 18th edition of the Forum will feature around 20 plenary and parallel sessions, the latter proposed by the community through an open call and selected by a Workshop Selection Committee.

Participate and contribute to the construction of a regional internet governance agenda!

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