

AGENDA

EU-LAC Digital Alliance Policy Dialogue on e-Governance

26-27 May 2025, Tallinn, Estonia

Nordic Hotel Forum (Viru väljak 3, Tallinn)		
26 th of May 2025	Time	Session
Day 1: electronic identification, electronic signatures	09:00-09:30	Registration of participants, coffee break
	09:30-10:15	Welcome addresses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Margus Tsahkna, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Estonia - Silvia Viceconte, Head of the Digital Sector, DG INTPA, European Commission - Diego Leiva, Director of e-Government, Ministry of Science, Innovation, Technology and Telecommunications (MICITT), Costa Rica - David Osorio, Director of e-Government, Presidential Commission for Open and Electronic Government (GAE), Guatemala - Hannes Astok, Chairman, e-Governance Academy, Estonia
	10:15-10:45	Overview of progress and findings to date in the field of electronic identification and electronic signatures <i>Mark Erlich, eGA</i>
	10:45-11:00	Family photo
	11:00-11:30	Coffee break
	11:30-13:00	Lessons learned on the implementation of eID and electronic signatures: focusing on organizational interoperability and legal framework . What kind of international cooperation is happening, what are the challenges faced when it comes to cross-border cooperation? <i>Presentations by LAC and EU country representatives & EC</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Diego Leiva, Costa Rica - Juan Pablo Garcia, Uruguay - Trevor Brown, The Bahamas - Claudette Hope-Greenidge, Barbados - Enylson Camolesi, National IT Institute, Brazil - Kārlis Mālnieks, State Radio and Television Center, Latvia - Silvia Viceconte, DG INTPA, European Commission Discussion
	13:00-14:00	Lunch
	14:00-15:30	Moderated group discussions in round tables on standards and principles (focused on reviewing work performed in 2024 and progressing with the work plan until the end of 2025) <i>Mark Erlich and Carlos Vargas, eGA</i>
	15:30-16:00	Coffee break
	16:00-17:00	Panel discussion on the needs for the common reference framework (focused on further defining the key output of the EU-LAC cooperation): intro, discussion, Q&A, summary

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ricardo Caceres, Director of Information Technologies, SICA - Roberto Lopez, Manager, RedGealc - Gary Kalloo, Director of Business Development, CTU - Edie Cux, Coordinator and Executive Director, Presidential Commission on Open and Electronic Government (GAE), Guatemala (co-lead) <p><i>Moderated by Mark Erlich, eGA</i></p>
	17:45	Buses leave from the hotel to the cultural event and networking
	18:30-22:30	Cultural event and networking at Rocca al Mare open-air museum, hosted by eGA and the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (dress code: casual). Buses return to the hotel at 22:30.
27th of May 2025	Time	Session
Day 2: data interoperability	09:00-09:15	Opening of the day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Silvia Viceconte, DG INTPA - Benjamin Calvo, Costa Rica (co-lead)
	09:15-10:00	Overview of progress and findings to date in the field of data interoperability <i>Heiko Vainsalu, eGA</i>
	10:00-11:30	Lessons learned on the implementation of data interoperability and conducting the cross-border pilots in the LAC region <i>Presentations by LAC and EU country representatives & EC</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Angie Lecot, Director of Data and AI, AGESIC, Uruguay - Diego Leiva, Director of e-Government, MICITT, Costa Rica - Maria Gabriela Mattausch, Office for Human Security, Innovation, and International Technological Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade, and Worship, Argentina - Aziz Ourhalouch, Expert, LuxDev, Luxembourg - Nele Leosk, Team Lead, Knowledge Hub Digital for the European Commission <p>Discussion <i>Moderated by Heiko Vainsalu, eGA</i></p>
	11:30-12:00	Coffee break
	12:00-13:00	Moderated group discussions on legal framework, semantics and protocols, identifying best practices, etc. Focused on defining a work plan until the end of 2025 <i>Moderated by Heiko Vainsalu, eGA</i>
	13:00-14:00	Lunch
	14:00-15:30	Moderated group discussions on the needs for the common reference framework, focused on further defining the key output of the EU-LAC cooperation <i>Moderated by Carlos Vargas, eGA</i>
	15:30-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-17:00	Closing of the event, presentation and agreement on next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carlos Vargas, Heiko Vainsalu, Mark Erlich (eGA) - Diego Leiva, Costa Rica (co-lead) - Edie Cux, Guatemala (co-lead) - Elis Paemurd, Head of Media and Communication, European Commission Representation in Estonia <p>Discussion/comments</p>	