

During the last couple of weeks between May and June, many actions have been performed regarding the preparation of the 38th International conference, which will be held in Marrakech in October 2016.

Website and Registration

The English version of the website has been launched; the content in other three languages will be available within few days. Beyond that, the registration for the 38th Conference of International Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners is on the right path. All invitations are sent to the conference contact list and the Moroccan DPA is receiving many requests from other people wishing to attend this important event. Actually, the CNDP is performing a promotional campaign on both international and national level to promote the conference. This campaign relies on social networks and on many sectorial and regional organizations.

To this end, we have created specific Facebook and Twitter accounts dedicated to the conference with the following hashtag #icdppc2016.

Program

A draft of the open session's program has been sent to the executive committee. The remarks & suggestions received will be taken into account to shape an updated version of the program.

To this end, contacts have been made with some potential speakers and some of them confirmed their participation. While choosing potential speakers, special attention has been given to balance, as much as possible, different geographical regions and stakeholders (Academics, NGOs, DPAs and corporations).

Side events

The following partners expressed their interest to organize side events: Phaedra II, GPEN, IAPP, Dutch DPA (Building bridges project), AFAPDP, NYMITY, Microsoft and the Common Thread Network.

Logistics

An agency has been recruited to ensure all logistics with a narrow control of the CNDP. This first public tender contains the main services needed during the conference such as the conference hall for the closed session, open session and side events, closed session interpretation, transportation, hostess, security agents, visuals, medical assistance.



Security

Regarding security, the CNDP has sent an official letter to top security officials at national level and local authorities in Marrakesh inviting them to hold a meeting with the CNDP in order to ensure that all security arrangements are in place. An additional security layer will be guaranteed by security agents that are hired by the CNDP.