

OPEN INTERNET FOR DEMOCRACY LEADERS PROGRAM

Applications open until April 5, 2018!

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Democracy has always required the free flow of ideas. In the modern age, this means a free, open internet where all citizens can freely voice their opinions, share, and debate. Access to an open internet for all is necessary to strengthen democratic engagement and governance, enable equal participation in the market economy, and promote social accountability.

The Open Internet for Democracy Leaders Program is a nine month non-resident leadership program that empowers emerging leaders from across the globe to build their advocacy and organizing skills to protect internet freedom.

Open Internet for Democracy Leaders are a unique cohort of global advocates from civic organizations, media, and the private sector who are passionate about protecting and promoting an open internet.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

In the course of nine months, Open Internet Leaders will implement an in-country activity that directly contributes to a national or regional conversation on internet freedom, actively engage in conversations on open internet issues, participate in the development of the Open Internet for Democracy Playbook in Washington, D.C., and participate at one international conference related to internet governance, open internet, or internet freedom.

PROGRAM SUPPORT

Open Internet for Democracy Leaders will receive a \$1,000 stipend for completing required activities, as well as included travel to Washington, D.C. and to one international conference.

HOW TO APPLY

For more information about the program and to apply to become an Open Internet for Democracy Leader, please visit openinternet.global. Preference will be given to individuals from non-OECD countries.