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# GOVERNANCE FORUM 2026

## Reframing Governance | Enhancing Public Value

Transform and enhance how you lead and govern. The 2026 Institute of Public Administration (IPA) Governance Forum brings together experts and peers to share insights, challenge conventions, build capabilities and equip you with the tools to strengthen boards/governing bodies and governance arrangements and to deliver valued outcomes.

The **Governance Forum** at the IPA is a unique network, established in 2007 to support good governance in public bodies and public benefit entities. Since then, the Forum has expanded significantly in both its programme of events, its membership and the range of supports available to its members. Forum membership includes a large number of government departments, state agencies, local authorities, higher education institutions and non-profit organisations.

At the centre of the Forum is a comprehensive **18-event annual programme**, combining **online webinars** on key and emerging governance topics with **in-person networking and training events**. The programme brings together board and committee chairs and members, senior executives, department officials, and governance professionals – providing unique opportunities to **learn from experts, share experiences and build networks**.

Forum members also benefit from **ongoing access to the IPA Governance Team** for advice and guidance, as well as to the **Forum website**, which serves as a repository of reference materials and event content.

**Annual Subscription: January – December 2026** | €5,900 (IPA Corporate Members €5,150).

### Benefits of Governance Forum Membership

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#### **Exclusive Access to a Comprehensive 18-Event Programme:**

Designed to promote good governance practices, share new perspectives and address current challenges.

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#### **Access to Key Networks and Roundtables:**

Participation in the Chairpersons' Network, Board Secretaries' Network, Audit & Risk Committee Chairs' Roundtable and Department Officials' Roundtable provides valuable peer engagement and the exchange of good practices.

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#### **Peer-to-Peer Networking:**

Connect with a broad Network of board and committee members, senior executives, governance professionals and organisations across the public and non-profit sectors.

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#### **Expert Advice and Guidance:**

Access to the IPA Governance Team for advice and guidance on governance frameworks, practices and effectiveness.

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#### **Exclusive Access to the Members' Area:**

The online members' area offers updates, presentations and resources.

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#### **10% Discount on Advisory Services:**

Forum membership benefits include a 10%\* discount on IPA Governance Team training and advisory services.

*\*Subject to an annual discount cap of €1,500.*

Date	Topic	Time	Venue	Type
Wed 28 Jan 2026	Reframing Governance in 2026 and Beyond (Half-Day Conference)	09.30 – 13.00	External Venue (TBC) 	Insights / Networking
Thur 12 Feb 2026	Project Governance – Issues and Assurances	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Wed 18 Feb 2026	Board Secretaries' Network	11.00 – 13.00	IPA 	Insights / Networking
Thur 12 Mar 2026	The Day After – Cyber and Systems Resilience	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Wed 18 Mar 2026	Department Officials' Roundtable – Collaboration, Delivery, Assurances	11.00 – 13.00	IPA 	Insights / Networking
Thur 16 Apr 2026	Meeting Skills Needs – Attracting, Retaining and Developing Talent	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Wed 29 Apr 2026	Artificial Intelligence – Building Literacy	09.30 – 13.00	IPA 	Capability Building
Wed 13 May 2026	ARC Chairpersons' Roundtable	11.00 – 13.00	IPA 	Insights / Networking
Thur 28 May 2026	Sustainability Stewardship in Action: Governing for Future Generations	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Wed 17 Jun 2026	Chairpersons' Network	11.00 – 13.00	IPA 	Insights / Networking
Wed 01 Jul 2026	Asking the Right Questions – Enhancing Financial Literacy	09.30 – 13.00	IPA 	Capability Building
Thur 24 Sept 2026	Organisational Culture and Delivering Value	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Wed 30 Sept 2026	Board Secretaries' Network	11.00 – 13.00	IPA 	Insights / Networking
Wed 14 Oct 2026	Building Effective Boards	09.30 – 16.30	IPA 	Capability Building
Thur 22 Oct 2026	Artificial Intelligence – Realising Opportunities	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Thur 19 Nov 2026	Risk and Uncertainty: Bolstering Resilience and delivery	11.00 – 12.30	Online 	Insights
Wed 25 Nov 2026	Chairpersons' Network	11.00 – 13.00	IPA 	Insights / Networking
Wed 02 Dec 2026	Catalysts for Change: Public Sector Climate Action Leadership	09.30 – 13.00	IPA 	Capability Building

*\*Times may be subject to change in exceptional circumstances*

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