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INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT
TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES
THE HAGUE, 30 NOVEMBER – 7 DECEMBER 2026

Forthcoming official meetings[1]

Monday, 30 November 2026

First plenary meeting

- Opening of the session
- Silent prayer or meditation
- Adoption of the agenda
- Composition of the Bureau
- Election of the President of the Assembly for ASP26-ASP28 and election of two Vice-Presidents and 18 members of the Bureau for ASP26-ASP28[2]
- Report on the activities of the Court
- Report of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims
- Report on the activities of the Bureau
- Appointment of the Credentials Committee
- Organization of work
- States in arrears
- Election of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance
- Election of two members of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims
10:00 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Meeting of the Credentials Committee[3] [4]
12:30 – 13:00…….....Asia

Second plenary meeting[5]

- Election of six judges
15:00 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

[1] Unless otherwise specified, the meetings are open to States Parties, non-States Parties (Observer States and invited States), the Court, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and other observers and participants as defined in Rules 92 and 93 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties.
[2] The election of the members of the Bureau and of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Assembly of States Parties on the first day of the of the twenty-fifth session is subject to all five regional groups having reached agreement on the composition of the incoming Bureau in advance of opening of the twenty-fifth session of the Assembly.
[3] Immediately following the adjournment of the plenary.
[4] Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.
[5] This meeting is closed to press.

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Tuesday, 1 December 2026

Second plenary meeting[6]

- Election of six judges
10:00 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Second plenary meeting[7]

- Election of six judges
15:00 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Wednesday, 2 December 2026

Second plenary meeting[8]

- Election of six judges
10:00 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Third plenary meeting

- General Debate
15:00 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Thursday, 3 December 2026

Fourth plenary meeting

- General Debate
10:00 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
15:00 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Friday, 4 December 2026

Fifth plenary meeting

- Consideration of the budget: Presentations by the Registrar and the Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance
- Consideration of the Audit reports
- Statement by the Chairperson of the Audit Committee
- Statement by the External Auditor
- Consideration of the Annual report of the Head of the Independent Oversight Mechanism
10:00 – 11:30…….....King Willem Alexander

[6] This meeting is closed to press.
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[8] This meeting is closed to press.

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Sixth plenary meeting

- Cooperation
11:30 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Working Group on the budget[9]
15:00 – 16:30…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
16:30 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Saturday, 5 December 2026

Seventh plenary meeting

- Non-cooperation
10:00 – 11:30…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
11:30 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
15:00 – 16:30…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
16:30 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Sunday, 6 December 2026

Eighth plenary meeting

- Progress report by the Coordinators
- Introduction of draft resolutions
10:00 – 11:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
11:00 – 13:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Meeting of the Credentials Committee[10]
15:00 – 15:30…….....Asia

Reserved
16:30 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

Monday, 7 December 2026

[9] Closed meeting: Open only to States Parties and the Court.
[10] Closed meeting: Open only to members of the Credentials Committee.

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Ninth plenary meeting

- Adoption of resolutions
10:00 – 11:30…….....King Willem Alexander

Reserved
11:30 – 13:00…….... King Willem Alexander

Tenth plenary meeting

- Consideration of reports
- Report of the Credentials Committee
- Oral report of the Rapporteur
- Adoption of the report
- Closure of the session
15:00 – 18:00…….....King Willem Alexander

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Other forthcoming meetings[11]

Sunday, 29 November 2026

Mock election of six judges (organized by the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties)
15:00 – 16:15……..……...…KWA

Monday, 30 November 2026

Strengthening the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict (hosted by Switzerland)
18:15 – 19:45……..……Europe 1&2

Tuesday, 1 December 2026

Libyan Victims' Perspective on ICC Proceedings and Sanctions (co-hosted by the Cairo Institute for Human Rights Studies (CIHRS), the European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights (ECCHR), the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), Lawyers for Justice in Libya (LFJL), Libya Crimes Watch (LCW), No Peace Without Justice, Refugees in Libya (RiL) and the World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT))
08:30 – 09:45……..……..…….....Yangtze 1

Ending Impunity in Sudan: Victims' Voices and the Pursuit of Accountability (co-hosted by the Darfur Network for Human Rights, the Darfur Women Action Group and Global Human Rights Defence)
08:30 – 09:45……..……..…….....Yangtze 2

GENOCOST des Enfants en RDC et l'avenir de l'humanité (co-hosted by the Coalition Nationale pour la Cour pénale internationale de la RDC and Fondation Congolaise pour la Promotion des Droits humains et la Paix (FOCDP))
13:15 – 14:45……..……..…….....Yangtze 1

Genocide in Palestine: Victims' Voices, Civil Society and International Accountability (co-hosted by Al-Haq, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights and the Palestinian Centre for Human Rights (PCHR))
13:15 – 14:45……..……..…….....Yangtze 2

Opening of the Photography Exhibition "Darfur, Again": From the Siege of El Fasher to the Demand for Accountability (co-hosted by the Darfur Women Action Group, Legal Action Worldwide (LAW), Rights for Peace and Women's Initiative for Gender Justice (WIGJ))
18:15 – 19:45……..……..…….....Yangtze 2

[11] Side events and exhibits are solely the responsibility of the respective organizers. Please direct any queries to the organizers. In accordance with the Guidelines for the preparation and conduct of sessions of the Assembly of States Parties, the Yangtze 1 and Yangtze 2 rooms have been allocated to non-governmental organizations, in direct consultation with the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC).

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Wednesday, 2 December 2026

DAWN's Submissions on U.S. Officials to the Office of the Prosecutor (hosted by Democracy for the Arab World Now (DAWN))
08:30 – 09:45……..…….…….....Yangtze 2

Sanctioned for Seeking Justice: The US Campaign Against the Court and Palestinian Civil Society Cooperating with it (co-hosted by the State of Palestine, Al-Haq, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) and the Palestinian Centre for Human Rights (PCHR))
13:15 – 14:45……..…….…….....Europe 1&2

Presentation of the Annual Report of the Office of the Prosecutor (hosted by the Office of the Prosecutor)
13:15 – 14:45……..…….…….....Onyx

Supporting jurisprudential developments at the International Criminal Court through the Crimes Against Humanity Convention (co-hosted by the Global Justice Center (GJC), the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) and Women's Initiative for Gender Justice (WIGJ))
13:15 – 14:45……..…….…….....Yangtze 2

Ministerial reception hosted by Ms. Päivi Kaukoranta, the President of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute[12]
18:00 – 20:00……..……Delegate's Lounge[13]

Beyond the ICC: The role of regional and domestic courts in advancing justice (hosted by Civitas Maxima)
18:15 – 19:45……..…….…….....Yangtze 1

Philippines Civil Society and Accountability for Extrajudicial Killings (co-hosted by Alza Vita, No Peace Without Justice, the Philippines Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) and the Philippines Truth Commission)
18:15 – 19:45……..…….…….....Yangtze 2

Thursday, 3 December 2026

Building Sustainable Criminal Accountability: Comparative Perspectives from Syria and Colombia (co-hosted by non-governmental organizations)
08:30 – 09:45……..…….…….....Yangtze 1

Universality of the Rome Statute (co-hosted by the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea)
13:15 – 14:45…….....…….…….Amazon

National Coordination in the Investigation and Prosecution of International Crimes (co-hosted by Germany, the Genocide Prosecution Network and the International Nuremberg Principles Academy)
13:15 – 14:45……..…….…….....Europe 1&2

[12] By invitation only.
[13] The Ministerial reception will take place at the Delegates' Lounge, in a closed section.

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Victims at the Centre: Justice, Participation and Reparation for Ukraine in The Hague's Accountability Ecosystem (co-hosted by Ukraine and the International Bar Association)
13:15 – 14:45……..…….....Onyx

Victim-centered and Trauma-informed Hearings (co-hosted by Austria, Finland, France, South Africa, the United Kingdom, All Survivors Project, the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC), the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH), Synergy for Justice and the Victims' Rights Working Group)
13:15 – 14:45 ……..…..…….…….....Yangtze 1

International Law Under Attack: Strengthening Accountability for the Crime of Aggression (co-hosted by Africa Legal Aid and the European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights (ECCHR))
13:15 – 14:45 ……..…..…….…….....Yangtze 2

Friday, 4 December 2026

Reconnaissance des génocides commis en République démocratique du Congo et protection internationale des dirigeants des organisations de la société civile engagées dans la lutte contre l'impunité (Recognition of the genocides committed in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and international protection of the leaders of civil society organizations engaged in the fight against impunity) (hosted by Action pour la réforme de la justice et la promotion des droits de l'homme (ARJPDH))
08:30 – 09:45…….…….....……..…....Yangtze 1

La complémentarité au service de la lutte contre l'impunité (Complementarity serving the fight against impunity) (hosted by France)
13:15-14:45……..…..…….…….....Amazon

Catalysing Domestic Efforts Regarding Reparations in Situation Countries (hosted by the Trust Fund for Victims (TFV))
13:15-14:45……..…..……...…….....Europe 1&2

International Justice Under Attack: The Impact of Sanctions on Human Rights Defenders, Victims, and the Shrinking Civic Space (hosted by the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC))
13:15 – 14:45 ……..…..…….…….....Yangtze 1

Impunity and Ongoing violations across Sudan (co-hosted by the Jazeera Human Rights Observatory (JHRO) and The Reckoning Project and Rights for Peace)
13:15 – 14:45 ……..…..…….…….....Yangtze 2

Saturday, 5 December 2026

The Reparative Mandate of the International Criminal Court: Impact and Challenges (hosted by the Trust Fund for Victims (TFV))
13:15 – 14:45……..…..……..…….…….Europe 1&2

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Announcements

Delegates who have registered by 25 November 2026 can collect their badges during **early registration on Sunday, 29 November from 15:00 to 17:00 hours** at the World Forum Convention Centre

Free WiFi is available in the building.
Password: "worldforum"

For information and costs of audio/video systems, any special IT needs or catering, please contact:
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Twenty-fifth session documentation, including daily updated ASP Journal, can be found on the website of the Assembly here.

Guidelines for the preparation and conduct of sessions of the Assembly
The Guidelines adopted by the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties on 15 November 2018 and amended on 8 September 2021 regarding side events, general debate and documents can be found on the website of the Assembly here.

Prepared statements
Pre-delivery
Speakers at the Assembly of States Parties are advised that providing in advance digital copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Assembly greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat. Although interpretations rely upon the statement actually delivered, copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances. In the absence of a digital copy, speakers are requested to provide 20 copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery.

Post-delivery
Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an electronic copy of their statement(s), in one or more of the four official languages, to ensure timely posting of the text on the Assembly website. Statements should be sent to: asp@icc-cpi.int.

Requests for side events
Side events may be organized during the twenty-fifth session of the Assembly of States Parties, from 30 November to 7 December 2026, at the World Forum Convention Center in The Hague, the Netherlands, and should not overlap with the meetings of the Assembly, in order to be reflected in the official Journal. Further details regarding the organization of side events are reflected in the "Guidelines for the preparation and conduct of sessions of the Assembly of States Parties", which are available on the webpage of the Assembly here.

All proposed side events shall be subject to the approval of the Secretariat, in accordance with the above-mentioned Guidelines. Accordingly, side events shall be sponsored by a State Party or approved by the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC).

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The Secretariat will not be responsible for the allocation of conference rooms for side events. States Parties and non-governmental organizations will be required to liaise directly with the World Forum with respect to room reservations, technical requirements and other services they require to host their side event.

The World Forum has agreed, on an exceptional basis, to waive the costs for room rental for side events held this year. However, there will be a service fee for renting a room. All other costs, including those relating to audiovisual equipment and services, interpretation and catering, are the responsibility of the organizers.

Any such requests should be directed to the World Forum via email to Ms. Michelle Wilmer at side.events@worldforum.nl. All requests must be submitted by 13 November 2026 in order to guarantee services. Rooms will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

In light of the increasing number of side events held during Assembly sessions, States, observers and non-governmental organizations are kindly requested to collaborate in the organization of these side events.

Side-event organizers are kindly requested to provide the Secretariat, at asp@icc-cpi.int, with the title of the event, the names of the organizers in the order in which they are to be published, and the date and time of the side event.

Please kindly note that the Secretariat does not send invitations to side events. The invitations should be sent by organizers for their respective side event.

Safety and security

All persons are required to comply with safety and security regulations, as per Guidelines for the preparation and conduct of sessions of the Assembly of States Parties and Guidelines and recommendations for enhancing the security of participants in the work of the Assembly available here. Any act that disrupts the normal functioning of the session, such as offensive public displays of any form, including, but not limited to, clothing, banners, placards or other written or visual means, as well as offensive vocal/audio sounds, gatherings or demonstrations of any kind, including passive, is not allowed. All attendees should refrain from taking pictures or making audio or visual recordings of participants without their consent.

All individuals present on the World Forum premises are expected to fully cooperate with security officers at all times. Refusal to comply with applicable regulations may result in removal from or denial of access to the premises.

Side-event participation

All participants attending side events at the World Forum Convention Center are required to be accredited to the session in order to receive a badge.

The Secretariat kindly requests States Parties co-hosting side events to request day passes only for speakers and panellists who are not otherwise accredited to the session, and to submit such requests by **20 November 2026**.

Subscription to ASP emails

Delegations who wish to subscribe to ASP mailing list should convey their contact information to the following email: asp@icc-cpi.int. The official ASP emails will be distributed from the following email address only: asp@icc-cpi.int.

Handbook

For further information regarding the session please refer to the Handbook available here.

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Documentation

Paperless

As per decision by the Bureau dated 8 September 2021 accessible here, all pre-session documentation will be posted on the website of the Assembly as an additional measure to decrease the need for printing services and in accordance with a "paperless" approach.

Written statements shall not be reproduced at the expense of the Assembly and shall not be issued as official documents.

Statements made before or after the adoption of resolutions

The Secretariat shall reflect in the Official Records of the respective session the statement as delivered at the respective plenary meeting of the Assembly.

Webcast

All plenary meetings will be webcast in floor, English and French on the ICC YouTube channel.

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