

2016 IGF Best Practice Forum (BPF): Cybersecurity – Virtual Meeting VI

Summary Report

11 October 2016

- 1. The sixth virtual meeting of the 2016 IGF Best Practice Forum (BPF) on cybersecurity was held on 11 October 2016. The meeting was facilitated by Markus Kummer. The primary purpose of the call was to gather comments from the community on the recently circulated draft output of the 2016 Cybersecurity BPF that had been circulated by the IGF Secretariat shortly before the meeting on the BPF mailing list¹. review progress in collecting inputs from the community from the open call for contributions to the BPF. The Secretariat noted that comments were welcomed on this initial draft 1.0 of the output and that the document would be further revised and updated in the coming weeks before the 1 November deadline for producing the Guadalajara version of the document that would be reviewed and discussed at the BPF substantive session at the IGF annual meeting from 6-9 December.
- 2. It was explained that the draft document was primarily drafted using the contributions² received from the public call for contributions. It was noted that while the first soft deadline had already passed for submitting contributions, the Secretariat would still welcome additional contributions/background info for inclusion into the draft output and into the broader BPF discussion as the BPF intends to take a long-term view, looking ahead to 2017 as well.
- 3. It was emphasized again that it was the BPFs intention to offer many points of entries into the BPF for all stakeholders, meaning that if stakeholders had not been able to contribute thus far that they'd have many other chances to participate in the BPF during future virtual calls, on the mailing list, and at the substantive session in Guadalajara.
- 4. A representative from the Freedom Online Coalition invited all involved in the BPF to a day-zero pre-event on 5 December in Guadalajara at the IGF. The agenda of the session is still being discussed but increasing collaboration and cooperation in cybersecurity efforts and global dialogue will be the primary theme.
- **5.** A number of suggestions and issues were raised during the call (abbreviated summary below). It was agreed that these issues would be taken up in the draft

¹ http://www.intgovforum.org/mailman/listinfo/bp_cybersec_2016_intgovforum.org

² http://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/list-of-contributions-2016-igf-bpf-cybersecurity

- document, either through comments in the google document or through written contributions to the mailing list.
- It was suggested that some of the previous BPF work done on SPAM and CSIRTS could be summarized and brought into the 2016 output documentation.
- Many on the call agreed that it may be useful to add to the document some content about the definition (various) of cybersecurity, as many stakeholders view it in different ways; i.e. the term is very broad and taking some time to think through what different stakeholders mean when referring to cybersecurity will be useful to put the rest of the content in the output in perspective.
- Some felt that the text could flesh out some points of contention or divergence amongst stakeholders when discussing collaboration and cooperation in cybersecurity to perhaps provoke a more fruitful discussion online and at the IGF meeting itself.