IGF 2020 Best Practice Forum on Gender and Access Online meeting VI | 23 July 2020

Summary report

The sixth online meeting of the IGF 2020 Best Practice Forum (BPF) on Gender and Access was focused on discussing the BPF methodology and next steps.

Building on previous discussions, it was concluded that the BPF will dedicate a part of its work to look at whether and how the BPF thematic issues (violence, harm, pleasure and consent online) have been brought up at the IGF over the past few years. Additionally, it was deemed necessary to look at an Internet-related policy process beyond the IGF.

Looking ahead, the BPF intends to shape its report as follows:

- Literature review of the regional Internet-related policy processes that tackle the BPF thematic issues (having realised that we are yet to have a global one).
- Navigate past IGF meetings to surface the issues related to the BPF thematic.
- Compile answers from a survey.
- Top off with the recommendations and best practices, if applicable.

For this work, the BPF proposes the following timeline

- 1-2 weeks: Develop the survey (with (1) questions about the IGF itself and (2) questions asking for examples of processes that look at the BPF focus issues on a regional level)
- August: run the survey and do our own research as well
- September: prepare the draft report
- October: publish the report for public comment
- November: discuss the draft report at the IGF
- December: publish the final report

Next steps

- BPF meeting VII is on 6 August, 13:00 UTC.
- Until the next meeting, a draft survey will be circulated for comments.
- The community is invited to further contribute to the <u>BPF collaborative document</u>