



**INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM
NATIONAL, (SUB)REGIONAL AND YOUTH IGF INITIATIVES
- Virtual Meeting XI | 19 December 2023 at 14:00 UTC -**

SUMMARY REPORT

1. The eleventh virtual meeting of the National, Sub-regional, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs) of the IGF 2022 preparatory cycle, took place on 19 December 2022 at 14:00 UTC.
2. The meeting was hosted by the IGF Secretariat's NRIs Focal Point. The purpose of the call was to provide feedback to the work done during 2022 including at the 17th annual IGF meeting.
3. A summary of the shared points is available below and will inform the NRIs work on developing the 2023 work plan.

TOPIC	SUGGESTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS
SCHEDULE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IGF website was unstable creating challenges to access the schedule. The schedule should be hosted under a different domain to prevent the server overload. ICANN scheduling is a good practice to explore and apply.• NRIs sessions to spread across all meeting days to maximise participation opportunities. This year it was challenging as two or more NRIs sessions were hosted on a same day often without bigger breaks in between.• Avoid scheduling sessions on a same or similar topic during the same time. For example, NRIs main session on core values of the Internet completely overlapped with the DC on Core Internet Values which prevent cooperation.
NRIs ANNUAL MEETINGS CALENDAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NRIs could try synchronizing their annual meeting dates, to avoid any overlaps and work toward having processes concluded before the global IGF to be able to feed into it.

NRIs COORDINATION SESSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NRIs coordination session should not be hosted during the lunch slot as it loses participation. Instead, it should be hosted during the formal working hours.
SESSION ROLES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NRIs session organizers should remain committed to the initially signed-up roles or inform before the start of the session if prevented to participate. There is a need to follow the pre-agreed work plan and fulfil the roles as described. For example, distinction between an online and onsite moderator does not imply co-moderation.
SPEAKING TIME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having 3 min as the session intervention time is not enough for speakers to contribute with valuable inputs.
ACCESIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The venue should be fully accessible. The accessibility topics should be of NRIs sessions' attention given the official statistics on people with disabilities and the challenges they face.
OUTPUTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After the meeting ends, each participant should be able to receive a short and concise brief to bring back home for possible implementation.
CONTENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NRIs sessions' content has significantly improved.
NETWORKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination session could include a dedicated space for the NRIs to network among themselves, informally. The organizer could help networking among participants, especially those coming from the same country or neighbouring countries. More collaborative actions by NRIs on issues of mutual interest is needed.
COOPERATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NRIs sessions felt as stand-alone, disconnected from other parts of the programme. This should improve. Interconnect better the NRIs sessions with other sessions. Particularly, work with the MAG to engage NRIs in the main session planning and hosting.
HOSTING FORMAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NRIs sessions could follow the format of the IGF 2022 Youth Track. Just as the track spreads its activities throughout the year and hosts them back-to-back with

	the regional IGFs, the NRIs could do the same and benefit from close engagement with stakeholders from the region.
REMOTE PARTICIPATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remote participation was very challenging not allowing for decent inclusion of online participants. In addition to improving the technical conditions, the local volunteers should be trained to react properly on any issues which may arise.
OTHER (visas, food)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa support should be accessible and quick in preparing for Japan. Participants should also be proactive and explore the country's requirement for obtaining a visa. • Food on the food court should be clearly labelled.

Next Steps overall:

4. IGF Secretariat to send the summary to the NRIs mailing list and a doodle poll for planning the first meeting in January.
5. For any suggestions or questions regarding the Report, kindly contact the IGF Secretariat, NRIs Focal Point at: anja.gengo@un.org.