INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM
DYNAMIC COALITION ON ENVIRONMENT
- Virtual Meeting I | 6 April 2022 at 13:00 UTC -
SUMMARY REPORT

About

1. The first meeting of the newly formed Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Dynamic Coalition on environment (DCE) was hosted on 6 April 2022 at 13:00 UTC. The meeting’s purpose was to facilitate the introduction among expert members and reach a consensus on the vision for the DCE work, for 2022 IGF cycle and beyond.

2. The meeting was hosted by the IGF Secretariat’s NRIs Focal Point. The final, adopted version of the Agenda is attached to this document as Annex A1 and a list of meeting participants as Annex A2. The list of input documents is annexed as A3.

3. The meeting was opened by the IGF Secretariat reminding participants that this DC is a form of continuation of the last year’s Policy Network on Environment (PNE) and that it builds on its so-far achievements.

Summary of action points

1. After a round of introductions from participants, the exchanges focused on the working conditions for this DC, objectives it wishes to achieve and other logistical matters, all summarized below.

(i) DCE substantive focus

2. The DCE work could focus on:
   a. Further dissemination of the PNE Report to relevant stakeholders;
   b. Further exploring the areas unwrapped in the PNE Report;
   c. Bringing clarity on cross-cutting issues in the context of environment, sustainability and Internet governance;
   d. Creating a multistakeholder hub to bring together stakeholders interested in the topic.

3. The group agreed that duplication with the existing process should be avoided to the extent possible. An example of this type of work was shared, called The Coalition for digital
environmental sustainability (CODES) initiative¹.

4. As a next step, until the next meeting in four weeks’ time, the DCE group will continue exchanging views on the possible thematic focus.

(ii) Methodology

5. The group will operate in line with the IGF principles by conducting its work in an open, transparent, consultative, bottom-up, inclusive, multistakeholder and non-commercial way.

6. The group's exchanges will occur over a subscription-based dedicated mailing list (dce@intgovforum.org) with open archives. All DCE members can extend the subscription link² to others.

7. Within its capacity, the IGF Secretariat will continue providing a traditional secretariat's role by organizing meetings, reporting from those, supporting outreach and stakeholder engagement and coordinating other logistics as per the request and guidance of DCE core group.

8. The PNE mailing list will be archived and subscribed members will be invited by the IGF Secretariat to subscribe to the DCE mailing list.

9. To facilitate coordination, a working repository of relevant documents will be set by the Secretariat and shared with the DCE members.

10. As co-facilitators of the DCE, the following experts volunteered:
   a. Rainer Krug
   b. Michael Oghia
   c. Minda Moreira

   The names will be indicated as the focal points of DCE on the IGF website. The main tasks of the co-facilitators relate to ensuring the implementation of the overall DCE work as agreed on a consensus basis among all members; as well as to represent the DCE at monthly coordination meetings of all DCs. These meetings are open to everyone to join and related information is communicated via dedicated mailing list³.

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³ http://intgovforum.org/mailman/listinfo/dc_intgovforum.org
(iii) DCE Name

11. All interested stakeholders are invited to advise on the name of DC on Environment in the next weeks (until 1 May 2022). In the interim, a working title - DCE - will be used.

(iv) Other

12. The DCE, like all DCs, is welcome to apply to host an individual session at the 17th annual IGF meeting in Addis Ababa. The IGF 2022 Call for session proposals will open in less than two weeks’ time.

13. Based on the above, the IGF Secretariat will create a set of standard pages for this DC and share its content with the DCE core group to approve.

14. The next DCE meeting will be in four weeks’ time. A doodle poll to select the best time for the week of 8 May will be sent in a few days.

ANNEX A1

Agenda

1. Welcome and introduction
2. Building on PNE 2021 - what to achieve in 2022?
3. Chairing the DC
4. DC at IGF 2022 - overview of the opportunities presented by the Secretariat
5. AoB

ANNEX A2

List of participants

1. Abhayraj Naik, Azim Premji University
2. Anja Gengo, IGF Secretariat
3. Cyril Caminade, The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics
4. Elif Kiesow, The Hague University of Applied Sciences
5. Florian Cortez, Wageningen University
6. Leandro Navarro, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya
7. Michael J. Oghia, Independent expert; DC on Sustainability of Journalism and News Media
8. Minda Moreira, Internet Rights and Principles Coalition
9. Rainer Krug, University of Zürich
10. Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Guidelines Development Group; DC on Internet and Jobs
11. Shawna Finnegan, Association for Progressive Communications
12. Smriti Lohia, DC on Internet and Jobs
13. Sorina Teleanu, IGF Secretariat
ANNEX A3
Input documents