IGF Internet Governance Forum
Dynamic Coalition on Digital Health

Introduction

COVID-19 has brought to focus the importance of using technology for healthcare delivery at all levels, be it primary, secondary, or tertiary care. It is time that healthcare systems across the globe adopt and incorporate Internet and Internet-based technologies across the continuum of care. We must strive and work together to galvanize all stakeholders so that the three-tiered healthcare system becomes four-tiered to include Digital Health as the base tier.

The Dynamic Coalition on Digital Health is not just timely but critical to showcase and enhance the role of the Internet and the Internet of things in Digital Health. This will aim to boost the adoption of Digital Health to make healthcare become affordable, effective, and outcome-driven, with patient centricity as its overarching theme.

Goals

- Galvanize stakeholders from across the globe in Digital Health through this dynamic coalition on a single platform.
- Engage global stakeholders and grassroots organizations to address the critical issues for the success of Digital Health across developed, developing, and underdeveloped economies.
- Showcase the implementers at the annual IGF and disseminate the information needed to boost the adoption of Digital Health.
- Work together with clinicians and allied health professionals besides the healthcare managers across the private and public sectors to boost the adoption of Digital Health.

Action plan

- Come out with a yearly report on the 'State of Digital Health' highlighting achievements, best practices, and the need gap to boost the adoption of Digital Health at scale.

- Organize online and offline workshops across regions on how local communities can leverage the Internet for Digital Health.
- Organize a global meeting annually on a rotation basis.
- Showcase real-life stories and brainstorm ideas and innovations at regional IGF and annual IGF meetings.
- Come out with white papers and knowledge papers across the regions and sectors in Digital Health, and work with other DCs to achieve our objectives.

Stakeholders

- European Connected Health Alliance – EU (Civil society). Represented by Mr. Brian O'Connor, Chairman.
- Health Parliament – Digital Health Associates – India (Private Sector). Represented by Dr. Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Founder.
- Academy of Digital Health Sciences – India (Academia). Represented by Ms. Mevish P. Vaishnav, Chief Operating Officer.
- King's College, London – United Kingdom (Academia). Represented by Dr. Archana Tapuria, Honorary Researcher.
- Dubai Health Authority – Dubai (Government). Represented by Dr. Osama El Hassan, Specialist – eHealth & Smart Health Department.
- United Nations' International Telecommunication Union. Represented by Ms. Connie Man Hei Siu, Generation Connect Youth Envoy.
- UC Davis Health – USA (Private Sector). Represented by Dr. Ashish Atreja, CIO and Chief Digital Health Officer.

Documents/Reports

DC Digital Health Annual Report 2022 (February 2023)
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Action Points:

1. <u>Annual Global Digital Health Survey</u>: Healthcare is undergoing a major transformation, and technology will transform how we receive or deliver

healthcare. A global online survey is conducted on the SurveyMonkey platform. The aim of the survey is to analyze and comprehend people's basic knowledge of Digital Health, as well as to raise awareness about it and gauge their willingness to use these interventions to seek medical assistance.

2. <u>Global Digital Health Summit, Expo, and Innovation Awards 2023:</u> GDHS 2023 was a movement for the community of practitioners and providers in the field of digital health, bringing together global leaders, innovators, developers, and experts from the healthcare and technology sectors. India is the world's fastest-growing market for digital health and by attending this summit captured the glimpse of how the Indian market is shaping the world of digital health, and how digital health products are being deployed across healthcare. The Summit witnessed about 800+ 'in person' attendees from around the world, consisting of senior leadership from the public and private sectors in healthcare and life sciences.

3. <u>IGF 2023 Kyoto</u>-

   - Academy of Digital Health Sciences (previously Digital Health Academy) booth IGF-DC on Digital Health put forward an exhibition stall at the 18th Annual Internet Governance Forum in Kyoto, Japan.

   - Three people namely – Dr. Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Ms. Priya Shukla and Mr. Saptarshi Gargari represented us at IGF 2023.

   - We also released and presented the report – *"State of Digital Health 2022"* – the Annual Global Digital Health Survey Report. The work was presented to global leaders by Dr. Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Chairman, Dynamic Coalition on Digital Health.

   - The dynamic coalition on Digital Health also hosted a session at IGF 2023 namely: *"Conversational AI in Low-Income & Resource Settings".*

   The speakers in sessions were –
   - **Dr. Rajendra Pratap Gupta,** Chairman, Dynamic Coalition on Digital Health and Founder, Health Parliament.
   - **Mr. Dino Cataldo DELL'ACCIO** presently serves as the Chief Information Officer at the UN Joint Staff Pension Fund and leads the UN Digital Transformation Group.

- **Mr. Sameer Pujari** led the development and negotiations with 194 countries on the WHO Global Strategy on Digital Health and is currently leading all initiatives on AI for Health at the Digital Health and Innovations Department of WHO.
- **Mr. Sabin Dima**, is the Founder & CEO of Humans.ai
- **Ms. Mevish P. Vaishnav**, Group COO at Digital Health Associates
- **Dr. Ashish Atreja** is a gastroenterologist who presently serves as the CIO & Chief Digital Health Officer at UC Davis Health.
- **Dr. Olabisi Ogunbase** is a Pediatric doctor & Quality Improvement team lead and mentor, IPC C'ttee Lead, Maternal and Child Centre Eti-Osa, Lagos, Nigeria.

- We also hosted the main session - **The Internet we want – "Human Rights in the digital space to accelerate the SDGs"**

The Internet We Want should be accessible, equitable, inclusive, and sustainable, focussing on building capacity. For the Internet to be human-centred, its governance needed to provide means of making the voices of all users and groups heard – a multi-stakeholder approach bringing together top-down and bottom-up approaches works best.

Moderators of the session: Mr. Markus Kummer, co-facilitator for the Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group & Ms. Jutta Croll, DC-Children's Rights & DC co-facilitator

- Lisa Petridis (DC Open Educational Resources)
- Muhammad Shabbir (DC on Accessibility and Disability – DCAD)
- Alejandro Pisanty (DC Core Internet Values
- Avri Doria (DC Internet of Things)
- Phyo Thiri L. (Youth Coalition on Internet Governance)

Online Moderator: Ms. Mevish P. Vaishnav
Rapporteurs:
Ms. Priya Shukla, DC on Internet & Jobs
Mr. Stephen Wyber, DC on Public Access in Libraries

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