OVERVIEW OF THE MAG WORKING GROUP ON YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Introduction

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WHO ARE WE?

The MAG Working Group on youth engagement got established in February 2024 by the MAG.

Objective is to support the MAG in developing actions to strengthen the youth engagement in the IGF and ensuring their participation in the ever-changing digital landscape.
Anyone interested can join the WG Youth using this link. The WG will have regular meetings and this is subject to discussion on the ways. The working group will serve as a space to discuss, and support the MAG in its advocacy for youth engagement in the IGF ecosystem. Regular updates will also be provided by the IGF Secretariat. The WG will regularly participate in the Youth Track calls. The WG is a focused, action-oriented group specifically dedicated to ensuring meaningful youth involvement in the annual program and intersessional work of the IGF.
Activity 1
- Cooperation with the IGF 2024 Youth Track capacity development initiative to establish continuous communication between the Youth-MAG 2024 and other stakeholders.

Activity 2
- Creation of opportunities for dialogue and collaboration between youth and experienced stakeholders. Leveraging the expertise of current MAG members and the MAG alumni group.

Activity 3
- Integration of youth in the IGF annual meeting programme (such as in the main sessions) and develop recommendations for MAG consideration, ensuring youth perspectives are integrated into IGF agenda setting.

Activity 4
- Support the MAG in its advocacy for youth engagement in the IGF ecosystem.
- Develop MAG strategy for youth engagement, outlining actionable steps to integrate and empower youth in the IGF.
Benefits of this WG for the MAG

1
Supports the MAG in ensuring collaboration between the youth track and the MAG

2
Supports the MAG by providing practical suggestions on how MAG can prioritize, operationalize or implement any of the suggestions it receives on youth participation.

3
- Link with the IGF youth track.
- It will strengthen the IGF’s position as a forward-looking, multistakeholder group that recognizes the importance of involving youth in shaping the future