

## Survey for active DCs

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In 2021, the [Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group \(DCCG\)](#) and the IGF Secretariat are developing a paper to document Dynamic Coalitions' (DCs) experiences and look into how they could be improved (in terms of internal work, coordination, feeding into the broader IGF processes, etc.). The initial step in this work is a survey dedicated to activate DCs and meant to help shed light into what makes DCs both similar and different, as well as identify potential good practices and challenges.

We invite DCs to respond to this survey by filling out the form below by **25 April 2021**. Each DC is expected to develop their responses **in a collaborative manner, with the involvement of its members**.

The survey questions are also available as a .doc file and a .pdf file; you can use these to prepare your responses before submitting them via the [online form](#).

Compulsory questions are marked with \*.

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### General info

DC name\*:

Your name\*:

Your email address (it will only be used in case we need to reach out to you to clarify some points in your answers)\*:

Your role within the DC\*:

### DC objectives, governance and work modalities

1. Please describe briefly the focus and objectives of your DC.\*

2. When was your DC formed?\*

- *Dropdown with all years since 2006*

3. Has your DC worked constantly since its formation?\*

- Yes
- No

If the DC was paused for a while, what were the reasons? And how did it get back on track?

4. How many members does the DC have?\*

- Up to 20
- 20–50
- 50–100
- 100–150
- 150+
- Other. Please indicate.

5. What stakeholder groups are represented in your DC?\* (*multiple choice*)

- Civil society
- Governments
- Intergovernmental organizations
- Private sector
- Technical community
- Others (e.g. youth representatives, parliamentarians, academics). Please indicate.

Please also indicate whether any member(s) of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) are part of your DC.

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

6. What regional groups are represented in your DC?\* (*multiple choice*)

*To find the explanation of the regional groups, please click [here](#).*

- African Group
- Asia-Pacific Group
- Eastern European Group
- Latin America and the Caribbean Group (GRULAC)
- Western Europe and Others Group (WEOG)
- Intergovernmental organizations

7. Does your DC get new members on a more or less regular basis? If so, how does this happen (e.g. do you run outreach campaigns, do you invite people who comment on your outputs to join the DC, etc.)?

8. On a scale from 1 (not at all active) to 10 (very active), how active/engaged would you say your DC members are (overall)?\*

Would you like to comment on your response (e.g. describe the difficulties your DC has encountered with members' engagement)?

9. Does your DC have a set of guidelines/rules/terms of reference to guide its work?\*

- Yes. Please provide a link.
- No.

10. What is your DC's governance structure? Please provide details. (E.g. Do you have one or several coordinators/chairs? How are they 'appointed'? For how long?)\*

11. Has your DC faced any governance challenges/conflicts in recent years (e.g. appointment of coordinators/chairs, conflicts between members, etc.?) Please provide details, including on how the DC has managed to overcome them (if applicable).

12. From the options below, please select the ones that apply to your DC:\*

- The DC is supported by one or several organisations that dedicate time and resources to the DC work.
- The DC does not rely on any organisation in particular, but it is mainly driven by the voluntary work of its members.
- The DC has managed to secure funding for some activities (e.g. publication and translation of outputs, administrative costs, potential remuneration of consultants).
- The DC has never benefited from any funds and solely relies on voluntary work.
- The DC is in need of funding but is unable to find it.

If you selected a): Please provide details about the organisation(s) supporting DC work (e.g. name of the organisation(s)). What does this mean in practice?

If you selected c): How has the DC managed to raise funds? Where did they come from? What did they cover?

13. Please select the option below applicable to your DC:\*

- The DC has its own website. Please provide a link
- The DC only uses the web space provided by the IGF Secretariat.

14. Consultations are ongoing on the new IGF website and DCs have already been invited to provide input. In addition to the input you may have already provided, is there any particular point you would like to emphasise here regarding DCs presence in the new IGF website?

### **DCs activities and outputs**

15. What mechanisms does your DC have in place to conduct its work?\*

- Discussions via the mailing list
- Regular online meetings
- Working groups
- Other. Please explain.

16. What type of activities is your DC usually undertaking?\*

- Producing papers/books/other publications
- Hosting events
- Other. Please explain.

17. What types of outputs is your DC producing? Please provide links to exemplify.\*

18. Please explain briefly how the DC is developing its outputs. (e.g. Who drives the process? How are members contributing? Does the DC hold wider open consultations beyond its membership? How are decisions being made?)\*

19. Please explain briefly how the DC promotes its outputs (within and beyond the IGF context).

20. Do you think improvements are needed regarding the visibility of DCs outputs (within and beyond the IGF context)? If so, how do you suggest this could be done?

21. Do you have any concrete example to share as to how your DC output has made an impact?

22. What do you consider to be your DC's most significant achievement?

23. Do you have any additional comments regarding your DC's substantive activities (e.g. challenges met in developing the outcomes/conducting other activities and how they were overcome, good practices in carrying out the activities)?

### **DC coordination**

24. Is your DC contributing to the work of the [Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group \(DCCG\)](#)?\*  
The DCCG includes representatives of all interested DCs and meets periodically to discuss matters of relevance for DCs.

- Yes
- No. Please explain why this is the case.

25. On a scale from 1 (not at all useful) to 10 (very useful), how useful do you find the DCCG activities?

Would you like to comment on your response?

26. Would you like to make any suggestions regarding the DCCG work? (e.g. How it can be improved/made more efficient?)

### **DCs within the IGF framework**

27. From the options below, please select the ones applicable to your DC.\*

- a) The DC usually holds a session at the annual IGF meeting.
- b) The DC hasn't held a session at the annual IGF meeting in recent years.

- c) The DC usually participates in the DC main session at the annual IGF meeting.
- d) The DC hasn't participated in the DC main session in recent years.

If you selected option b): Please explain why the DC hasn't held a session at the annual IGF meeting in recent years.

If you selected option d): Please explain why the DC hasn't participated in the DC main session in recent years.

28. On a scale from 1 (not satisfied at all) to 10 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the presence/representation of DCs at the annual IGF meeting?\*

Would you like to comment on your response?

29. Beyond participation in the DCCG and/or the DC main session at the annual IGF meeting, is your DC collaborating with other DCs? How?

30. Is your DC collaborating/has it ever collaborated with Best Practice Forums (BPFs) or other IGF work streams (e.g. the previous Policy Options for Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s))? Please explain. Do you plan any such collaboration for the future? Please explain.

31. Is your DC collaborating/has it ever collaborated with a national, regional or youth IGF initiative (NRI)? Please explain. Do you plan any such collaboration for the future? Please explain.

32. Would you like to add any comments/suggestions regarding the relations between DCs and BPFs, the recently introduced Policy Networks, and NRIs (e.g. how to enhance collaboration)?

33. What are, in your view, the most important elements that make DCs different from other IGF intersessional work tracks?

34. Please rate the following, on a scale from 1 (not at all satisfied) to 10 (highly satisfied).\*

- DC relations with the IGF Secretariat
- DC relations with the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)

Would you like to comment on your response?

### **DCs and the future of the IGF**

35. Do you think that the relations between DCs and the IGF Secretariat and the MAG need to be strengthened (considering especially the future of the IGF and the role DCs could play)? Why? And how?

36. Do you have any suggestions on how to enhance the presence of DCs at the annual IGF meeting (e.g. regarding the DC main session and individual DCs sessions, connections with other intersessional works tracks and NRIs, connections with workshops/main sessions/high-level sessions/parliamentary track)?

37. Would you like DCs to be more involved in the planning of IGF annual meetings (e.g. in the selection of key themes/issues)? If so, how could this be achieved?\*

38. In his Roadmap for Digital Cooperation, the UN Secretary-General has made reference to a need for the IGF to: (a) be more responsive and relevant to current digital issues; (b) have a more focused agenda; (c) have more actionable outcomes. How could DCs contribute to the implementation of these points?\*

39. The Roadmap also calls for better integrating the IGF programme and intersessional policy development work. Likewise, the MAG WG-Strategy has suggested integrating intersessional activities more closely with the programme of annual IGFs, and the other way around. How do you see this implemented? And what role could DCs play, while preserving their independence and goals?\*

40. Do you have any other suggestions on how DCs could contribute to a strengthened and more visible IGF (for instance, in the context of the proposed IGF Plus model)?