IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) Virtual Meeting IX
25 July 2018

Summary Report

1.   The ninth Virtual MAG Meeting of the 2018 IGF preparatory cycle took place on 25 July. Ms. Lynn St. Amour moderated the meeting as Chair of the MAG. Eleonora Mazzucchi, Anja Gengo and Luis Bobo represented the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (**ANNEX I**) focused on components of the IGF 2018 annual meeting programme, namely the process to organize Thematic main sessions as well as a review of the tentative approved list of workshops, as agreed at the MAG's face-to-face meeting on 11-13 July and subsequently revised by the Secretariat.

2.   The meeting began with a short presentation by the Secretariat on the tentative approved list of IGF 2018 workshops. The list is a refinement of the preliminary workshop selection done by the MAG at its face-to-face meeting earlier in the month. At that time, the MAG had concluded on a selection that combined the top 40-ranked proposals, regardless of their theme, with proposals added to rebalance the themes and bring them more in line with community interests, as expressed in both the Call for Workshops and preceding Call for Issues. The proposals added for 're-balancing' purposes were the next best-ranked per theme. To bring this list to closure, the Secretariat was tasked with incorporating some of the inputs from the face-to-face meeting, in particular for better regional representation of speakers and improved thematic proportion, as well as to include a small number of submissions from French Internet communities on the recommendation of the Host Country.

3.   In the revised list presented on the call, it was explained that small reductions had been made to two oversubscribed themes – 'Digital Inclusion & Accessibility' and 'Technical & Operational Topics' – via mergers suggested by members in their evaluation forms. These had been further suggested by one MAG member in a consolidated 'mergers list' sent to the MAG list. Trimming down the programme elsewhere, the Secretariat was careful not to affect the core group of top 40 proposals, and made suggestions for mergers or reductions of session durations only on those proposals which were added for thematic re-balancing. This resulted in enough space being created to add two regionally under-represented workshops, as well as some submissions suggested by the Host Country. The proportions of the themes reflects the community's predominant interest in issues related to 'Cybersecurity, Trust & Privacy', 'Human Rights, Gender & Youth' and 'Development, Innovation & Economic Issues'. The total number of workshops stood at 71. While this is more than was expected, the Secretariat reapplied the selection to a schedule template and found that all could be accommodated, thanks to a higher than anticipated number of 60-minute workshops.

4.   Responding to the list, MAG members requested a further 48 hours for review. Two members in particular expressed support for the addition of proposals, respectively, on child sexual exploitation and jurisdiction issues. Others said they would make any comments on the MAG list during this last review. The Secretariat also agreed

to look at these proposed additions, as well as to share diversity statistics relating to the list of 71 proposals. It was further agreed, following the selection, that relevant members could further examine the additions in the list, and via coaching or other advice to proposers (as has been done in past years), ensure they meet the quality standards for the programme. One other option suggested was to ask the Thematic main session organizing groups to help mentor these workshops.

5.   Members then discussed the organization of Thematic main sessions, starting from the agreement that all eight themes that had been proposed at the beginning of the Call for Workshops process would have a dedicated session. The Chair informed that a poll would soon be shared with the MAG in which members would be invited to indicate on which Thematic session they would like to work. Critically, members were reminded that it had been agreed that Dynamic Coalitions (DCs) and National and Regional Initiatives (NRIs) were to act as co-organizers, separately, on two themes: 'Development, Innovation & Economic Issues', with an emphasis on the 'Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)', as agreed by DCs; and 'Evolution of Internet Governance', with an emphasis on 'Multistakeholderism', as agreed by NRIs. Reflecting on this arrangement, it was emphasized that co-organization would require 1) that the working modalities of the DC and NRI communities be respected - as they operate according to bottom-up and consensus-driven decision-making principles across their communities (just as the MAG does), and 2) recognition of the MAG's responsibility to the IGF community and their responsibility for the overall programme. Beyond Thematic session organization, it was explained that members signing on to a particular session would also have a role overseeing that session's theme at a high level in the programme - both to guard against duplication of issues and to look for connections or complementarity between the Thematic session and other sessions subscribed to the theme.

6.   Follow-up steps in the MAG and Secretariat's work include having final comments on the proposed workshop list by no later than Friday, 27 July, in order to inform proposers of the results in a timely way.   In addition, work should begin on the proposals for the Thematic sessions as soon as the organizing teams are complete. The proposals should be discussed first within the thematic groups and then shared with the wider MAG as they began to firm up.

7.   Per the calendar, the MAG's next virtual meeting in scheduled for **Wednesday 8 August, 20.00 UTC.**

Annex I

MAG Virtual Meeting IX
Wednesday 25 July 2018, 11:00 UTC
Draft Agenda

1 - Adoption of Agenda (3 min)

2 - Misc Updates by the Secretariat/Chair (10 min)

3. Update by Host Country (10 min)

4. Review Open items from Open Consultation and 2nd physical MAG meeting including Thematic (Main) session process and preparations (40 mins)

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