

IGF 2026 MAG Meeting IV

Action items & next steps

8 July 2026 | 15:00 UTC | Online

1. Policy Networks

- The Secretariat provided an update on the establishment of the four approved [Policy Networks](#) (PNs), including on new webpages and mailing lists opened for each.
- The Policy Network on Digital Inclusion (PNDI) added a new volunteer Co-facilitator, MAG member Paulina Ibarra. All PN co-facilitators encouraged broader participation from the MAG and emphasized the importance of drawing on previous Policy Network experience.
- ➔ MAG members to join relevant Policy Network mailing lists and encourage broad, geographically and stakeholder-diverse participation.
- ➔ Policy Network co-facilitators to begin outreach to experts and community contributors (through existing mailing list members, if relevant) and begin preparing work plans; they are encouraged to reach out to the Secretariat if there are questions on this, particularly on the 'Multistakeholder Working Group' mechanism for PNs.
- ➔ Secretariat to continue preparations for consultant recruitment with 1 August as start date.

Timing: Policy Networks are expected to begin their substantive work in early August following completion of recruitment and onboarding of consultants.

2. MAG Working Groups

- The MAG received updates from the MAG Working Group on Youth Engagement and the MAG Working Group on Strategy.
- The Working Group on Youth Engagement reported its inaugural meeting, agreed priority areas for the 2026 cycle, and began developing its annual work plan.
- The Working Group on Strategy confirmed preparations for its inaugural meeting and discussed developing focused, time-bound deliverables while building on previous years' work and preserving institutional knowledge.
- ➔ MAG Working Group on Youth Engagement to finalize and begin implementing its annual work plan.
- ➔ MAG Working Group on Strategy to convene its inaugural meeting, agree priority 'task forces' and establish a timeline for delivery.
- ➔ Secretariat to continue supporting Working Group coordination and maintain dedicated webpages for documentation and participation.

Timing: Working Groups will continue meeting regularly throughout the IGF 2026 cycle.

3. Workshop Evaluation Criteria

- The MAG held an initial substantive discussion on the workshop evaluation framework ahead of the evaluation process beginning in August.
- Members broadly agreed on the importance of establishing a common understanding of the existing evaluation criteria to promote greater consistency across evaluators.

- Discussion covered possible refinements to the scoring framework, including reducing the weight allocated to hybrid engagement (e.g. 15% to 10%) and increasing it for a priority criterion like proposed topic (e.g. 20% to 25%). Further discussion focused on treatment of the diversity requirement, post-session evaluation, and development of clearer guidance for evaluators.
- ➔ Secretariat to update and circulate the workshop evaluation form and accompanying guidance ahead of the next MAG meeting.
- ➔ MAG members to continue discussions on achieving greater consistency in scoring before evaluations commence.
- ➔ Secretariat to continue examining practical options for strengthening post-session assessment and incorporating lessons learned into future evaluation cycles.

Timing: Workshop evaluations are scheduled to begin on 5 August 2026, with any agreed refinements to guidance to be completed beforehand.

4. AOB

- ➔ Call for volunteers to assist with workshop criteria workshop for community to be scheduled before end of call for proposal deadline (31 July)

Annex 1: Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome & Secretariat Updates [10 min]
2. Update on Policy Networks [20 min]
3. Update on MAG WG-Strategy & Task Forces & MAG WG-Youth [30 min]
4. Review of Workshop Evaluation Criteria [25 min]
5. AOB [5 min]

Annex 2: List of Participants

IGF 2026 MAG Chair	
Chung	Jennifer
MAG Members	
Anastasiadou	Meni
Aromolaran	Taiwo
Arida	Christine
Birarda	Carina
Choi	Hyuna
Denis	Carmen
Guðrúnar Jóns	Oktavía Hrund
Gupta	Rajendra Pratap
Ibarra	Lito
Ibarra	Paulina
Kyryliuk	Olga
Lagakali	Cherie
Le Gall Malakova	Martina
Longwe	Sophia
Lugangira	Neema

Niyonkuru	Audace
Oteguay	Paula
Ramírez	Alan
Retana	Alvaro
Tiku	Saba
Wibawa	Angela
Xiao	Zhang
Yedaly	Moctar
Current & Former Host Country & IGO Representatives	
Asonga	Fiona
Santos	Vinicius
Woodmatas	Mihret
Observers	
Choudhury	Amrita
Croll	Jutta
Degezelle	Wim
Dickinson	Samantha
Doria	Avri
Fernández	Juan
Kaplan	Melanie
Kummer	Markus
Mazzone	Giacomo
Parris	June
Wagner	Flavio
IGF Secretariat	
Masango	Chengetai
Bobo Garcia	Luis
Chukov	Roman
Mazzucchi	Eleonora