Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group – Virtual Meeting XIX

Summary Report

11 July 2017

- The nineteenth virtual meeting of the DC Coordination Group (DCCG) was held on 11 July 2017. The meeting was facilitated by Avri Doria and Markus Kummer, with Eleonora Mazzucchi representing the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (ANNEX I) focused on DCs' activities at the IGF, including the main session; their expected outputs; the survey conducted on feedback mechanisms; and draft guidelines for DC mailing list administration. The Webex recording of the meeting can be accessed here: https://intgovforum.webex.com/intgovforum/ldr.php?RCID=c6dc43925e68ca766cb3d a5fb1b89117
- 2. The meeting began with a briefing from Avri on the MAG's recently concluded **main session discussions**. At their <u>eighth virtual meeting</u> on 5 July, MAG members finalized the selection of main sessions, which included DCs' proposal for a 90-minute slot (the placement of the sessions in the schedule has not yet been determined). Avri explained that there had been divergent views among MAG members on how 'intersessionallyfocused' sessions, such as the ones put forward by DCs and IGF National and Regional Initiatives (NRIs), should be considered and whether they merited a main session space. Although both were ultimately approved, it was made clear that the main session stage should feature Internet governance questions of broad relevance, rather than any organizational or inward-facing issues particular to intersessional groups. Both Avri and Markus noted the need for the DCs main session to have a title, while acknowledging a title could be difficult to agree on, given the wide range of issues DCs cover. The overarching theme of this year's IGF, 'Shape Your Digital Future!', could inspire the title for the DC session. Suggestions for titles from DCs are welcome in the coming weeks.
- 3. Regarding the individual DC outputs feeding into the main session, it was agreed a similar process as last year's would be followed. In order to participate in the main session, a DC should have a written output as background material, with a first draft ready by 29 September, and the final draft by 3 November, six weeks ahead of the IGF meeting (in keeping with the usual timeframe for submitting papers before a meeting). This year's theme, 'Shape Your Digital Future!', could be used to guide the output documents, in that they should be thematic and relate in some way to the participants' digital future. As with last year, the basic, agreed-on guidelines and detailed timeline will be shared with DCs in writing.
- 4. A possible **shared DCs booth** was briefly discussed. It was mentioned that the booth last year, beyond acting as a gathering point for DCs, had a specific function for disseminating hard copies of the surveys DCs had participated in. In the absence of a similar exercise this year, it was an open question as to whether there is enough demand among coalitions for a booth again. Avri made the suggestion that the booth this year could have pre-set 'office hours' reserved by each DC and could be used as an opportunity to promote their own work. Some on the call did express the wish for a

booth for this purpose, noting its effectiveness would also depend on the booth's placement and size. Since the Secretariat will plan to have a final list of booths in approximately three weeks to a month, it was agreed DCs would further discuss this on the mailing list to reach a decision before that time.

- 5. **DCs' individual sessions** were also briefly touched on. Although no changes have taken place yet in how the slots are allocated and for how much time, there is agreement among MAG members that as the schedule tightens they should be awarded carefully. Space in the programme is being restricted to accommodate the growing number of intersessional groups, in particular NRIs, as well as the possible new session formats experimented with last year, and could result in an overall shortening of DCs' 90-minute session lengths. One participant expressed concern that a shorter duration would be difficult to work within given the number of contributors to their output document.
- 6. The <u>results of the survey</u> administered to DCs on outputs and **feedback mechanisms** were quickly reviewed. DC member Marianne Franklin, who has also volunteered to coordinate a working group on feedback mechanisms, led the survey and provided brief action points for follow-up, namely that more discussion should take place within each DC on their outputs, that the working group should use these results as a basis for its discussions, and that how outputs relate to the DCs main session should be covered in coordination meetings. The document with the results has been shared on the DCs mailing list and is also available <u>here</u>. Details for how to join the working group, and information on a first meeting, will also be communicated on the list.
- 7. It was mentioned that the MAG has emphasized engaging intersessional groups, including and in particular, DCs, in the organization of the IGF main sessions this year. Given the clear thematic linkages the sessions will have to DCs' work, the Secretariat will facilitate putting relevant DCs in contact with main session organizers. A very preliminary and **tentative list of which DCs relate to which main sessions (ANNEX II)** was shared, although it was underlined that it is DCs themselves who should review the main sessions and determine whether the topics are relevant to their work.
- 8. Finally, Avri raised the issue of **common guidelines for managing DC mailing lists** (available <u>here</u>), which currently are contained in an open draft document and have been commented on by some DCs. The document will be re-introduced on the list for a consensus call and close in the next weeks.
- 9. The next DC Coordination Group meeting will take place in approximately one month, in early August.

Annex I – Draft Agenda

- I. DCs Main Session & Other DC Activities at IGF
 - a. Main Session & Outputs
 - b. DCs Booth
 - c. Individual DC Sessions
- II. WG on Feedback Mechanisms
- III. DC Relationship with Main Sessions
- IV. Draft Guidelines for DC Mailing List Administration

Annex II - IGF 2017 Main Sessions & Related DCs (Suggested Lists)

Main Session 1: 'Gender inclusion and the future of the internet' (Gender)

-Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity

-Dynamic Coalition on Gender and Internet Governance

-Dynamic Coalition on Innovative Approaches to Connecting the Unconnected

-Dynamic Coalition on Internet Rights and Principles

-Dynamic Coalition on Public Access in Libraries

-Youth Coalition on Internet Governance

Main Session 2: 'Creating an Inclusive Workforce in the Digital Economy' (Digital Economy)

-Dynamic Coalition on Gender and Internet Governance

-Dynamic Coalition on Internet Rights and Principles

-Dynamic Coalition on the Internet of Things

-Youth Coalition on Internet Governance

Main Session 3: 'Empowering Global Cooperation on Cybersecurity for Sustainable Development & Peace' **(Cybersecurity)**

- -Dynamic Coalition on Accountability
 -Dynamic Coalition on Blockchain Technologies
 -Dynamic Coalition on Core Internet Values
 -Dynamic Coalition on Platform Responsibility
 -Dynamic Coalition on the Internet of Things
 -Dynamic Coalition on Trade
- -Youth Coalition on Internet Governance

Main Session 4: 'Local Interventions, Global Impacts: How Can International, Multistakeholder Cooperation Address Internet Shutdowns, Encryption and Data Flows' **(Technical Subject)**

- -Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity
- -Dynamic Coalition on Core Internet Values
- -Dynamic Coalition on Freedom of Expression and Freedom of the Media on the Internet
- -Dynamic Coalition on Network Neutrality
- -Dynamic Coalition on Platform Responsibility
- -Dynamic Coalition on the Internet of Things
- -Dynamic Coalition on Trade
- -Youth Coalition on Internet Governance

Main Session 5: 'Digital Rights Online' (NRIs-organized session)

- -Dynamic Coalition on Accessibility and Disability
- -Dynamic Coalition on Child Online Safety
- -Dynamic Coalition on Community Connectivity
- -Dynamic Coalition on Platform Responsibility
- -Dynamic Coalition on Public Access in Libraries
- -Dynamic Coalition on Publicness
- -Youth Coalition on Internet Governance

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