

### **Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group - Virtual Meeting XX**

#### **Summary Report**

#### 4 September 2017

- 1. The twentieth virtual meeting of the DC Coordination Group (DCCG) was held on 4 September 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 and shared IGF Village booth; potential DC feedback mechanisms; and the proposed guidelines for DC mailing list administration. The Webex recording of the meeting can be accessed here: <a href="https://intgovforum.webex.com/intgovforum/ldr.php?RCID=28c0e796469ac7852e89a80248bc9257">https://intgovforum.webex.com/intgovforum/ldr.php?RCID=28c0e796469ac7852e89a80248bc9257</a>
- 2. The meeting began with a discussion on the status of the **DCs' joint main session**, which was approved by the MAG, and for which coalitions have already agreed a similar approach to last year's main session should be taken. The MAG has heard briefings from some teams of main session co-facilitators, with Avri set to update the MAG on behalf of DCs in the MAG's next meeting (held Tuesday 5 September). Main session facilitators had been asked to submit to the Secretariat descriptions of their sessions according to a template. A 'base template', which draws heavily from the description of DCs' session last year, has been prepared for DCs to comment on and suggest edits to and will in part inform Avri's briefing to the MAG. The editable document has also been shared on the DCs mailing list, with DCs kindly reminded to make as many substantive edits as possible before the next coordination call, so these can be discussed. In essence, the session will feature an interactive dialogue between a moderator and representatives of DCs, with the aim of challenging DCs' work and stimulating a 'defense' of their findings. Avri reported that Tatiana Tropina of the Max Planck Institute, who successfully moderated the DCs session last year, has been tentatively confirmed as the moderator again. The Secretariat informed that the exact scheduling of the main session, which has a duration of 90 minutes, was not yet confirmed as the schedule is still being composed. It was noted that the general preference of DCs was to have a main session later in the week, so their individual sessions could take place beforehand.
- 3. As with last year, the basis of the main session's dialogue between moderator and DC representative will be a **substantive paper** prepared by the DC. Thus, the content of the session will critically depend on the papers drafted by DCs and on which DCs decide to submit this year. Last year there had been 12, and again, DCs will secure their speaking slot in the session with the submission of the paper. DCs were reminded on the call of the **deadline for first drafts** of their papers, on **Friday 29 September**, and to follow the posted guidelines. It was agreed the next DCs meeting should take place shortly after

this deadline to take stock of the submissions and focus on the substantive content of the session. It was also agreed that Tatiana Tropina would be invited to attend and contribute to the discussions.

- 4. DCs have been reserved a **booth in this year's IGF Village** (the list of booths is available <a href="here">here</a>). It was recalled that the purpose of the booth should be different from last year's, in which it was used largely for distributing surveys. DCs this year have expressed interest in using the booth to promote their own work and network with meeting participants. To this end, an 'office hours' type arrangement was suggested. An open editable calendar will be shared with DCs to allow them to reserve their preferred booth times.
- 5. The meeting discussed potential **feedback mechanisms** for DCs' work. Marianne Franklin of the Internet Rights and Principles Coalition (IRPC) has recently formed a working group around the topic to discuss the use of surveys in previous years, reusing/improving them, or identifying alternative mechanisms for feedback. Jeremy Malcolm of the DC on Trade (DC-Trade) has also proposed collaborating with Stanford University on a deliberative polling process. It was agreed to hold a dedicated meeting in which both Marianne and Jeremy could attend and all relevant proposals could be explored before the next coordination call. As this issue remained open, a potential solution could be to take up the suggestion made earlier on the mailing list, that is to use the IGF's document review platform, which was used in past years, and would allow DCs to collect public comments on their drafts.
- 6. Finally, Avri gave an overview of the proposed **guidelines for DC mailing list administration**, which had been disseminated to all DCs through the mailing list and for which a consensus call has been made. Some comments have been made in the document which could merit further discussion. The feeling on the call was that the guidelines could be retained as they were but could also be re-adapted according to future discussions and as scenarios emerge. Avri has shared the guidelines again on the list for a **final consensus call closing 8 September**.
- 7. As agreed, the next DC Coordination Group meeting will take place in approximately one month, in the **first week of October**, following the deadline for first drafts of papers. Potential new topics to address could be a title for the DC main session as well as a draft agenda for the face-to-face coordination session DCs will hold in the annual meeting.

# **Annex I - Draft Agenda**

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- I. DC Main Session & Booth
- II. Feedback Mechanisms
- **III. DC Mailing List Guidelines**
- IV. AOB

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