

## IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) Virtual Meeting II 9 January 2019

#### **Summary Report**

- 1. The second Virtual MAG Meeting of the 2019 IGF preparatory cycle took place on 9 January. Ms. Lynn St. Amour moderated the meeting as Chair of the MAG, with Mr. Chengetai Masango representing the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (ANNEX I) focused on reviewing the draft agenda for the IGF 2019 First Open Consultations and face-to-face MAG Meeting on 28-30 January, as well as on reviews of the IGF intersessional and National and Regional & Youth (NRI) activities in 2018.
- 2. The meeting began with a briefing from the Chair on the proposed <u>agenda</u> for the First Open Consultations and MAG Meeting, to take place the end of this month at the UN Office at Geneva (UNOG). She highlighted that thanks to the timely appointment of the MAG and the relatively early start to its work this year, the agenda included, for the first time in recent MAG history, several strategic discussion items. These are intended to respond to some of the expectations of the IGF in 2019, set in high-level statements made at IGF 2018 by the <u>UN Secretary-General</u> and the <u>President of France</u>, as well as by bodies such as the European Commission, which recently released a statement on the IGF. The more strategic and forward-looking priority setting discussions have been scheduled for the open consultations day and first day of the MAG meeting, while the more specific programme-shaping discussions have been slotted for the final day.
- 3. In addition, it was noted that the secretariat of the Secretary-General's High Level Panel on Digital Cooperation (HLPDC) would provide an update to the MAG on the afternoon of the first day of their meeting (Day 2 in the agenda). As usual, other Internet governance-related entities, such as the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), World Economic Forum (WEF), and others, would be invited to intervene on the afternoon of the open consultations day (Day 1). It was further confirmed that Ms. Daniela Brönstrup, Deputy Director General, Ministry of the Economy of Germany, would be the Host Country Co-Chair for 2019 and attend the MAG meeting.
- 4. The Secretariat then gave an overview of some of the programme steps leading into the first MAG meeting, as well as brief overviews of the various intersessional activities, such as Best Practice Forums (BPFs) and Dynamic Coalitions (DCs), the ways in which they are established, and their relationships vis à vis the MAG. This was done with the help of a programme framework document, accessible <a href="here">here</a>, developed by the MAG Working Group on Multiyear Strategic Work Programme (MG-WMP) on the basis of a programme table from the Secretariat.
- 5. This was followed by comprehensive reviews of the individual 2018 BPFs from their respective co-facilitators or Secretariat consultants. The BPFs on <u>Cybersecurity</u>;

Internet of Things (IoT), Big Data & Artificial Intelligence (AI); Local Content; and Gender & Access; each gave reports. BPF-Cybersecurity and BPF-IoT, Big Data & AI confirmed they would make requests to be re-chartered for 2019, while BPF-Gender & Access has discussed possible activities for this year but will need to consult internally regarding a formal request for renewal. BPF-Local Content may also make a renewal request, based on inputs from MAG members on the call who felt the quality of their work was very good and that there would be further pertinent topics the group could take on in 2019. In particular, the Cybersecurity BPF has already identified the Paris Call on Cybersecurity, launched by the French President at IGF 2018, as a context for their work or as an initiative they may contribute to this year.

- 6. Reviews were also done of the activities of the fourth Phase of the Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s) (CENB) initiative, DCs, and NRIs in 2018. The CENB initiative, which has targeted particular SDGs over the past couple of cycles, reported it may request renewal based on additional SDGs it has identified as a possible focus for its work in 2019. It was said that DCs, independent entities whose work is continuous, had collaborated effectively in 2018, including with MAG members from the business community to hold a main session at the IGF, and would continue to coordinate closely in 2019, in particular on a possible joint outcome document. NRIs, also independent and continuously active initiatives, it was reported had held a number of joint activities at last year's IGF, such as collaborative sessions, a coordination and main session, and would continue to work together, including to produce bottom-up, collective outputs, like the NRIs Toolkit. It was said in 2018, NRIs had further served as a valuable inputs resource for the BPF and CENB initiatives.
- 7. The suggestion was made that ahead of discussions to re-charter existing BPFs at the face-to-face meeting, some statistics on the respective reach, membership and other measurements of activity of those BPFs could be shared. The Secretariat agreed to collect these from the co-facilitators by 22 January, the deadline for submitting requests for BPF renewals.
- 8. The Chair closed the meeting with a few brief updates on IGF-related meetings and events taking place on the horizon. She noted that the UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD) would meet next week, with Chengetai Masango representing the IGF in those sessions after the submission of the Secretariat's customary CSTD input report. The Chair herself would attend the annual WEF meeting in Davos the week of 21 January. Finally, she reminded all interested MAG members that the HLPDC was still accepting community inputs on its work ahead of its meeting this month.
- 9. It was agreed the next virtual MAG meeting would cover the activities of the MAG's working groups in 2018, with facilitators of those groups expected to give updates in writing by the end of this week (11 January). During the call, members will also conduct a final review of and approve the agenda of the face-to-face meeting. Virtual Meeting III will take place next week, on 16 rather than 23 January, at 11.00 UTC, as reflected in the calendar.

### Annex I

## MAG 2019 - Virtual Meeting II Wednesday 9 January 2019 - 20.00 UTC

### **Draft Agenda**

- 1 Opening/Adoption of Agenda (5 mins)
- 2 Review draft of agenda for MAG meeting Jan 28 30th (20 mins)
- 3 Overview and review of 2018 Intersessional Work & Proposed Intersessional Activities for 2019 (BPFs, DCs, CENB/Other Major Policy Initiative) and the National and Regional Initiatives (NRI's).

(co-facilitators of the 2018 BPF's and the CENB will be asked to give a review of their BPF's, the reference documentation, what was accomplished in 2018 and whether or not they feel that the BPF should be continued, including reasons.) (90 mins)

4 - AOB (5 mins)

# **List of Participants**

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