

# Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) Virtual Meeting III, 26 February 2020 at 20:00 UTC

### **Summary Report**

# Major Outcomes:

- The illustrative policy questions will be offered as a short and long list of questions.
- The Call for workshops will not refer to the weighing values of the diversity criteria, as these need to be further revised.
- The IGF Secretariat will launch the IGF 2020 Call for Workshops on 2 March 2020.

#### About

- 1. The third virtual meeting of the Internet Governance Forum Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) of the IGF 2020 preparatory cycle took place on 26 February 2020 at 20:00 p.m. UTC. Ms. Anriette Esterhuysen moderated the meeting as the Chair of the 2020 MAG and Mr. Chengetai Masango represented the IGF Secretariat. The adopted agenda is attached to this report as Annex I and the list of participants as Annex II. The list of shared input documents is attached as Annex III. The meeting's transcript is available <a href="hee-here">here</a>.
- 2. The meeting discussion focused on finalizing the IGF 2020 thematic track narratives and the Call for Workshop Proposals. The Chair invited MAG members that acted as facilitators of the MAG working groups on thematic tracks, namely groups on (1) Data; (2) Inclusion; (3) Trust; (4) Environment, to present a summary of their narratives, policy questions and corresponding tags/issues for a collective review of the MAG.

# **Summary of key points**

3. Regarding the <u>Data</u> thematic track, the facilitator explained that the final narrative and associated policy questions are focused on data revolution and benefits it brings to inclusive economic development while protecting rights of people. The list of policy questions was said to be compartmentalized into six comprehensive key categories. In a review of the <u>Inclusion</u> theme, the cofacilitator noted that the narrative and policy questions are close to be finalized, with the core focus aimed at activities to achieve an inclusive information society for reaping the social and economic benefits of being online. The <u>Trust</u> thematic track said the narrative's focus is on the opportunities and threats digital environment brings and explained that policy questions are clustered into six major categories, with the placement of some policy questions still been discussed among the group members. The group continues to discuss how to position the cross-cutting questions. Facilitators of the <u>Environment</u> thematic track said that this thematic narrative and policy questions focus on urgency of



addressing the problems of climate change and environmental issues and the related role of the ICTs and new emerging technologies.

- 4. Some participants raised concerns about the thematic narratives containing too many policy questions that could potentially impact the intent and creativity of the proposers to put forward their own questions. It was agreed that each thematic track narrative will be followed by a maximum of five broad illustrative policy questions with an annex containing a more exhaustive illustrative policy question list. While responding to questions of some participants, the Chair also clarified that the subthemes will be identified in a bottom up manner based on received proposals after the Call closes.
- 5. MAG members moved to reviewing the design and content of the Call for workshop proposals and the submission form. It was agreed that 1) the percentage indication of the criteria weighting will be removed from the Call, as the discussion on this segment of the workshop evaluation process will take place after the call is announced. Further, the MAG decided to 2) remove the check-boxes for suggested diversity criteria with a minimum requirement of marking three and to allow for the proposers to describe the diversity factors represented in their proposals. Also, it was decided that 3) the question 16b in the current form that requires proposers to respond if they are 'aware that the IGF provides access and support for remote participants through an official online participation platform' should be turned into an informative note with an option for the proposers to write which platforms could be useful to them. It was also advised that 4) the questions that ask for policy question refer to the definition of the policy question and the source of the thematic illustrative policy questions. It was confirmed that the MAG members will communicate the final narratives and short and long lists of illustrative policy questions and that the IGF Secretariat will amend the text of the Call and workshop manual as per the agreed changes on this call, by 2 March as the day when the Call for Workshops will be launched.
- 6. The IGF Secretariat concluded the meeting with an update on the IGF's participation in the upcoming WSIS Forum in Geneva, Switzerland (6-9 April 2020). It was said that an IGF outreach session will be organized on the last day of the WSIS meeting, Thursday, 9 April from 09:00-10:30 am. The concept agenda will focus on the outcomes and outputs of the 2019 IGF meeting; planning for the IGF 2020 meeting, including the tracks for youth and legislators, ways to participate in the intersessional activities and IGF Trust Fund status. The Secretariat also informed that on 6 April, the Polish Mission to the UN in Geneva will host a social event where the Host Country Co-Chair is expected to speak and bring up the organization of the IGF 2020 meeting. The MAG Chair and present members are expected to be invited. The Secretariat said that a final confirmation about Host Country Co-Chairs' participation in the IGF's outreach event on Thursday will follow.
- 7. The next virtual meeting of the MAG will be hosted in two weeks' time, as scheduled in the <u>calendar</u> of all MAG meetings.



# **Next Steps**

- a. MAG members to communicate a short and long list of illustrative policy questions by 2 March.
- b. IGF Secretariat to implement the changes in the text of the Call for workshop proposals, manual and submission form:
  - i. Remove weighting percentage values;
  - ii. Remove diversity criteria check boxes; describe the criteria and integrated a text field for responses;
  - iii. Question 16b to be turned to an explanatory note
  - iv. Next to the field on policy questions, add a definition of a policy question and a reference to the illustrative policy questions;
  - c. IGF Secretariat to launch the Call for Workshops on 2 March.

#### Annex I

Meeting Agenda IGF MAG Virtual Meeting II 26 February 2020, 20:00 p.m. UTC

- 1. Welcome from the Chair and adoption of Agenda
- 2. IGF 2020 Themes: finalising narratives and policy questions (40 min) \*each group will present
- 3. Review of Call for Workshops (submission e-form, content and design of the call, manual) and confirming timeline for launch on 2 March
- 4. IGF WSIS activities discussion
- 5. A.O.B

#### Annex II

# **List of Participants**

Title	Last Name	First Name	Stakeholder Group, Country			
MAG	MAG Chair					
Ms.	Esterhuysen	Anriette	Civil Society, South Africa			
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Ms.	Faith	Afia	Civil Society, Togo			
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Mr.	N'doumba	Eric	Congo, Government			
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Mr.	Rowney	Paul	Private Sector, Namibia
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Mr.	Seturi	Ucha	Private Sector, Georgia
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Ms.	Suto	Timea	Private Sector, Romania
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Ms.	Baniala	Dalsie	Technical Community, Vanuatu
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# Annex III

# **List of Input Documents**

IGF 2020 Timeline (last update: 12 February)

Proposed narratives from the MAG WG on four themes:



1. Data: proposed narrative

(facilitators: Chenai Chair; Maria Paz Canales)

2. <u>Inclusion: proposed narrative</u>

(facilitators: Paul Rowney; Roberto Zambrana; Mary Uduma; Arsene Tungali; Maria Paz Canales)

3. Trust: proposed narrative

(facilitators: Ben Wallis; Sylvia Cadena)

4. Environment: proposed narrative

(facilitators: June Parris; Timea Suto; Karim Attoumani Mohamed)

# **Draft Design of the Call for Workshops:**

- 1. IGF 2020 Call for Workshops
- 2. IGF 2020 Themes
- 3. Workshop submission form
- 4. Workshop review process
- 5. Workshop manual

# **MAG Working Groups:**

1. Taskforce on Language: Working suggestions; Terms of Reference