Compilation: IGF 2020 Voluntary Commitments

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Following the examples of voluntary commitments encouraged as part of other UN processes, and taking into consideration the United Nations Secretary-General’s call to action on his Roadmap for Digital Cooperation as well as the call for champions for the eight action areas in the Roadmap, IGF 2020, supported by UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), initiated a call for voluntary commitments (actions or pledges) to forward the goals of the Internet Governance Forum and the Roadmap for Digital Cooperation:

https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020%E2%80%8E-call-for-voluntary-commitments%C2%A0

All stakeholders – governments, the private sector, the technical community and academia, IGOs, civil society organisations and individual actors – were invited to make a voluntary commitment of an action to be carried out during the 2021 cycle (through to IGF 2021) or beyond, that are supportive of achieving or implementing IGF objectives or action areas related to the Secretary-General’s Roadmap.

Session organisers at each IGF meeting are requested to submit a short report on the session they organised within 12 hours of their session ending, with a more detailed report due two weeks after the session was held.

This compilation has been produced from session reports received to date that have completed the “Voluntary Commitments” field in the session report form. The Voluntary Commitments are listed under the thematic track that the session was included under.

The final compilation will be published after the two-week window for more detailed reports has closed.
WS #207 Ensuring Trusted Data Sharing for Monitoring the SDGs

A call for voluntary commitments was made by the session moderator, the speakers chose to express them later in the written form.

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WS #72 Tech for the Planet

Overall, speakers pledged to take forward to IGF goals and objective by providing inputs to the online submission portal. In addition:

Paola Gemma (Huawei) pledged to continue working in the ITU-T Study Group 5 (focuse on the environment) to "write something to help the young generation to have a better world. Sometimes we cannot change the past but we can build the future."

Caroline Louveaux (Mastercard) pledge to continue is to promote trust, security and human rights in the digital era, including for the global collaboration that is needed, we have been discussing today, in the context of artificial intelligence, data and technology. This foundation of trust will enable the use of technologies to address environmental challenges.

Nick Wise (Oceanmind) pledged to remain committed to improving the health of the ocean using technology.

Matt Peterson (Amazon) noted the IGF’s important work and expressed a commitment to continue to provide updates to the IGF community of what Climate Pledge Fund's supported companies are building to improve the environment.
### Inclusion

**DC Session: Fostering a new key role of Youth in Internet Governance**

- Inspire people to do more, involve people so they know what’s happening and know how to contribute and impact so that we have this going forward
- Strengthening and enhancing the engagement of Stakeholders especially youth and disadvantaged stakeholders for future IG mechanisms and deliverables particularly those from developing countries
- The promise of sticking around and keeping involved in the regional level but also trying to seek a more unified approach with getting involved with different institutions to connect the dots
- Creating opportunities for all youth to be part of the conversation
- Encouraging diversity to have as many as possible points of views heard and creating Networking opportunities next year as it is the best part of the IGF

**OF #31 Safe digital spaces, a dialogue on countering cyberviolence**

The Web Foundation commits to pursuing our work convening civil society organisations and tech companies to co-create solutions to OGBV. In addition, we commit to support the documentation of experiences of challenges to online safety through our research and share the findings with the IGF community.

**WS #259 Building Inclusive Digital Economies in Emerging Markets**

During the session, panelists made voluntary commitments to continue contributing to multi-stakeholder conversations focused on building inclusive digital economies. For instance, Rainer Heufers stated that the Center for Indonesian Policy Studies (CIPS) will continue to look at issues impacting the digital economy and actively participate in policy dialogues focused on digital transformation in Indonesia. Likewise, Juliet Nanfuka from the Collaboration on International ICT Policy in East and Southern Africa (CIPESA) said that her organization will continue to encourage diverse stakeholders to participate in policy fora impacting the digital space. The recent passing of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA), provides unique opportunities for diverse stakeholders to advance dialogue across Africa on how to shape and govern the digital economy in a way that promotes greater regional cohesion, development, and competitiveness.

### Trust

**DC Session: Launch of DC Internet Standards, Security & Safety (DC-ISSS)**

All three WGs are filled with experts, from around the globe and all stakeholder groups, who have expressed their willingness to contribute. (See the DC-ISSS mailing list.) Since the launch the group has grown further.
### DC Session: Public Collaboration On Multi-Stakeholder Health Data Values

Activities plan of Dynamic Coalition on Data Driven Health Technologies

### High-Level Leaders Session: Security

Dr. Enrico Calandro: Keep working to meet the growing need for data, evidence and information for the development of evidence-based cyber-policy.

Mr. Christopher Painter: Increase the Global Forum on Cyber Expertise’s regional focus on Africa, making engagement more effective and efficient, raise awareness and build cyber capacity at the policall level. We hope to be able to hold a conference later next year.

Mr. John Denton: Mobilize and work with the International Chamber of Commerce’s members and partners to ensure that access to the Internet and digital technology works, across the different layers of the digital ecosystem, infrastructure, applications and skills; and to work with policymakers to improve their understanding of how ICTs work, co-create incentives for investments and innovation, to develop, rollout and maintain tools and solutions to secure meaningful access for underserved communities and vulnerable groups, and co-design frameworks that enable connectivity based on lighttouch ICT policies and regulations, encourage competition and enable the entry of new players into the ICT ecosystem.

Ms Latha Reddy: Continue to work on increasing international cooperation, more democratic Internet governance frameworks and on formulating cyber norms. We need to coordinate and consolidate our national, regional, unilateral and global efforts to achieve the goal of keeping cyberspace as safe and stable as we can.

Mr. Eugene Kaspersky: Provide cybersecurity training for cyber diplomats, and try out new approaches, such as using a monopoly-like table game where the players are the CEO of a company under a cyberattack and have to survive by responding to different scenarios.

Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu: Continue to promote a global culture of cybersecurity and further increase engagement with Member States to help foster a culture of accountability, and adherence to and implementation of norms, rules and principles related to responsible behavior in the use of ICTs. Increase our engagement with other stakeholders, including businesses, civil society and the technological community. Promote the full, equal and meaningful participation of women in all decision-making processes related to this extremely important issue of cybersecurity. All sorts of different kinds of efforts are needed to build new capacity and make sure that women are involved in decision-making processes.

### NRIs Collaborative Session: Cybersecurity local policies and standards

In the very ending of the session, participants in general reinforced their commitments with creating a culture of cybersecurity, and seeking to improve initiatives for awareness raising, education, and training.

### WS #71 Building trust through responsible response to global crises

Speakers will submit their voluntary commitments to the IGF via the link provided.

Overall, they pledged to fostered greater collaboration between business and government in providing a secure, stable, and resilient global communications infrastructure aimed at
deepening the trust of global citizens in their capacity to communicate and participate in the digital economy.

**WS #326 The promises and perils of satellite internet**

Larry Press offered his volunteer services to all stakeholders.