IGF 2021 Timeline (Draft)\(^1\)
(updated: 1 June 2021)

1. Announcement of the MAG for 2021: 17 November 2020

- Announcement of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group for 2021
- Renewal of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) for 2021: 17 Nov 2020
- Virtual MAG Meeting I – Feedback to IGF 2021: 15 Dec 2020


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3. Call for Thematic Inputs for IGF 2021: 20 December 2020 - 31 January 2021

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4. First IGF 2021 Open Consultations and Face-to-Face MAG Meeting: 22 - 24 February 2021

First MAG Meeting held virtually

Draft agenda points:

- IGF 2020 Stocktaking & Looking Ahead to 2021
- Strategic discussion on implementation of the Secretary-Generals Road map for Digital Cooperation and other IGF improvement proposals for moving forward
- Discussion on intersessional work streams (BPFs, DCs) and on NRIs
- Youth engagement strategy
- Discussion on IGF 2021 main thematic tracks
- IGF 2021 programme shaping & agreement (Number of: WS, OF, themes, parallel tracks, etc.)
- Approval of MAG working groups

5. Launch of IGF Intersessional Work – 1 March 2021

Approved BPFs /Major Policy Initiatives and MAG working groups begin activities. DCs and NRIs are ongoing.

6. IGF 2021 Call for Remote Hubs: 27 April – 20 Sep 2021

Invitation to all stakeholders interested in organizing a remote hub. Hubs are local meetings that take place in parallel with the IGF. People can watch the webcast of IGF sessions together and send interventions (via text, audio or video) that can be answered by panellists in IGF.

- Call for registration of remote/online hubs: 27 April – 20 Sep 2021
- Review and approve remote/online hub: 25 Sep 2021
- Preparation and publication of manuals for remote/online participation: 15 July - 15 September 2021
- Prepare and conduct trainings for remote/online hubs/participants/moderators/panellists: 5 - 9 Oct 2021

7. IGF 2021 Call for Village Exhibition Booths: 27 April – 20 May 2021

During the annual IGF meeting, interested stakeholders can display or distribute relevant information about their IGF-related activities at the IGF Village. The booths are non-commercial in nature, free of charge, and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, respecting a balance of stakeholder and regional diversity. Booths are of limited availability.
8. IGF 2021 Call for Workshop and Other Sessions Proposals: 27 April – 26 May 2021

All stakeholders were invited to submit proposals to hold workshops at the forthcoming IGF, open forums, individual sessions by IGF Dynamic Coalitions (DCs), collaborative sessions by National, Regional and Youth Initiatives (NRIs), proposals for ‘pre-events’ on Day 0, and other ‘special sessions’ by organizations wishing to hold events during the IGF.

- Submission of proposals: 27 April – 26 May 2021
- Secretariat Analysis of Proposals: 27 May – 1 June
- Submission of workshop proposals to the MAG for evaluation: 1 June

9. Evaluation of Workshops and Other Session Proposals: 1–17 June 2021

The MAG will evaluate all workshop proposals on the basis of pre-determined criteria.

- Evaluation of Workshop proposals by the MAG: 1-17 June 2021
- Selection of Open Forums, DC and NRIs sessions by the IGF Secretariat: 1-17 June 2021

10. Second IGF 2021 Open Consultations and Face-to-Face MAG Meeting: 22–23 and 30 June 2021

Second 3-day Open Consultations and MAG Meeting will be hosted online due to the COVID-19 situation. On 22 June, the open consultations will be hosted, while the MAG meetings will be hosted on 23 and 30 June.

Agenda:

- Selection of workshops
- Review of the other IGF 2021 sessions (OF, BPFs, DCs, NRIs, etc.)
- Review of Day 0 sessions
- Discussion on developing 2021 programme in line with strategic priorities
- Discussion on main sessions
- Mid-year virtual meeting for BPF’s/DC’s and NRI’s? (to be discussed)

11. Drafting of IGF 2021 Schedule and IGF Village plan: June - August 2021

Undertaken by IGF Secretariat in consultation with MAG; takes into account all agreed-on themes, possible tracks, main sessions, workshops, open forums, DC/BPF//NRI sessions, ‘other’/special and Day 0 sessions.


An online system maintained by the IGF Secretariat, based on demand/availability of rooms.
13. Open Registration for IGF 2021: 15 August – 6 December 2021

Online registration for onsite and remote participants through IGF website/UN accreditation system with live/public participants list

14. Third IGF 2021 Open Consultations and Face-to-Face MAG Meeting: 15 – 17 September 2021

MAG will carry out review of the overall programme.

- Review of intersessional work
  - BPF’s
  - Main session progress
  - MAG Working Groups
  - IGF 2021 Programme

15. IGF 2021: Poland, Katowice - 6 - 10 December 2021

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- Katowice IGF Messages: daily messages due at the end of each meeting day (6 - 10 Dec 2021)
- Session Final Reports: 20 Nov 2021
- Katowice IGF Messages (final): 20 Dec 2021
- BPF Outputs: 20 Dec 2021
- IGF 2021 Proceedings: 20 Dec 2021