

**Meeting between NRIs and BPF on Cybersecurity**  
**17 July 2018**  
**15:00 p.m. UTC**

*meeting summary*

***Introduction***

1. BPF co-facilitator Markus Kummer opened the meeting and stated that involving the NRIs to the largest extent possible was an integral part of the initial [proposal for a BPF on Cybersecurity](#) that was presented to the MAG. Ben Wallis (BPF co-facilitator) added that NRIs are well placed to contribute important grassroots and on-the-ground experience to the work of the BPF on Cybersecurity. The purpose of the call was to explore collaboration between the NRIs and the BPF.

***BPF Cybersecurity 2018 and BPF/NRI collaboration***

2. Maarten Van Horenbeeck, BPF lead expert, gave a brief background and overview of the BPF Cybersecurity in [2016](#) and [2017](#) that focussed first on identifying ongoing challenges in cybersecurity and defining stakeholder roles and responsibilities, to then collect cybersecurity policy best practices that support the achievement of the SDGs and help to bring the next billions internet users online.
3. The BPF Cybersecurity in 2018 will focus on *culture, norms and values in cybersecurity*. The BPF plans to (1) explore what type of norms have developed coming from different stakeholder communities, document them, and look at their implementation; (2) explore existing or potential digital security divides, i.e. regions or groups of people that cannot benefit or gain from the high level of cybersecurity envisaged by these norms .
4. The goal of the 2018 BPF is to deliver a living outcome document that describes best practices from around the world and that, in turn, can be used as a useful resource at the local level, e.g. by NRIs and their communities.
5. It was noted that very few of the existing norms are developed in a fully multistakeholder environment, and that one of the priorities for the BPF would be to collect and showcase examples of norms created in a multistakeholder setting, point at gaps and come up with suggestions where cooperation between stakeholders would be possible. It was stressed that the BPF is not the place, nor intends to become a place, to discuss and develop new cybersecurity norms.
6. The BPF work plan envisages three major steps:
  - (1) Publication of a preparatory paper exploring existing norms by different stakeholder groups (ongoing - paper soon to be released);
  - (2) A community and an NRI-focused questionnaire to collect input on questions mentioned in paragraph 3 (higher).
  - (3) Developing the BPF output document in an iterative process with opportunities for the wider community to review and give feedback.

7. The BPF would welcome feedback from the NRIs on how to best organise the envisaged collaboration between NRIs and the BPF, and on how the BPF output could be aligned so that it is of most use and value to the NRIs.

***Opportunities for NRIs to contribute to the BPF***

8. The call continued with discussing possible ways in which NRIs could contribute to the work of the BPF on cybersecurity:
  - [Subscribe to the BPF mailing list](#) and participate in discussions online and at the BPF's virtual meetings;
  - Contribute relevant work already done by the NRI or within the NRI region on cybersecurity culture and norms (eg presentations, workshop reports, etc.);
  - Point the BPF at relevant organisations in the NRI's region and/or inform these organisations about the BPF and the opportunity to contribute;
  - Provide input via the BPF questionnaire.
9. Following the comment from one participant that the IGF should inform the local communities, including the NRIs, on opportunities and expectations with regard to better collaboration, the NRIs Focal Point agreed that this BPF is a good example of how the collaboration should be effectively developed. She added that having close interaction through calls and where possible in person, is important for creating a relaxing work atmosphere. It was added, that the focal points on all levels need to work together and keep each other informed about relevant activities happening within their communities and exchange them through effective communication channels.
10. It was suggested that the BPF prepares documentation (e.g. a presentation or introductory document) that can be used by NRIs to reach out about the BPF at their meetings and within their regions.
11. One participant suggested that the BPF cybersecurity should reflect on the possibility to contribute to one of the NRIs collaborative sessions that will be organized at the 13th annual IGF meeting. It was further advised that the BPF should look at the NRIs meetings still planned and review the NRIs annual meeting reports to gather inputs for its work.

***Next Steps***

12. A NRIs/BPF follow up call will be organised once the BPF questionnaire is out.

## Call recording

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## List of participants

1. Abakar Oumar Massar, African Youth IGF
2. Ben Wallis (BPF co-coordinator)
3. Consettina Cassa, IGF Italy
4. Fotjon Kosta, IGF Albania
5. Lucien Castex, IGF France
6. Maarten Van Horenbeeck (BPF lead expert)
7. Mahamat Silim Moustapha, African Youth IGF
8. Mard Diana, IGF Indonesia
9. Marilyn Cade, IGF-USA
10. Markus Kummer (BPF co-facilitator)
11. Natasa Glavor, IGF Croatia
12. Nigel Cassimire, Caribbean IGF
13. Norbert Glakpe
14. Paul Patrice Gomse
15. Penelope O'Leary
16. Phil Branigan
17. Radhika Radhakrishnan, IGF Secretariat
18. Sivasubramanian Muthusamy
19. Ying-Chu Chen, APriIGF
20. Zoraida Frias, IGF Spain
21. Anja Gengo (NRI focal point IGF secretariat)
22. Eleonora Mazzucchi (IGF Secretariat)
23. Wim Degezelle (BPF consultant IGF secretariat)

## Agenda

1. Introduction to the BPF on Cybersecurity
  - o What work have we done in the past?
2. Group leadership
3. Focus in 2018 on Cybersecurity culture, norms and values
  - o How do we define these?
  - o Preparatory paper that will be released soon
  - o What type of input are we looking for?
  - o How will we be asking for input ( General and NRI specific questionnaire )
4. How can you contribute?
5. Expected outcomes for the 2018 BPF
6. Q&A