IGF 2016 MAIN SESSION

NATIONAL, REGIONAL, SUB-REGIONAL AND YOUTH IGFs [ NRIs ]
Origin and background of the NRIs

• The Tunis Agenda established the Internet Governance Forum (Para 72)
• No specific call for national or regional IGFs
• Recognition that multistakeholder approach is a fundamental principle
• Encouraging development of multistakeholder processes at national, regional and international level to discuss and collaborate ... (Para 80)
• Some countries began holding sessions and meetings as early as 2006, but formal recognition by the IGF Secretariat grew from then to 2009, when many countries were beginning to formalize national and regional level initiatives
NRIs

• NRIs agree to follow the core principles and characteristics of the IGF itself, in order to be identified with the IGF and to be listed on the IGF website. In addition, the NRIs coordinators have developed basic requirements including an annual report to the Secretariat, available on the www.intgovforum.org

• Core characteristics and principles:
  • Organic
  • Independent
  • Stakeholders act on equal footing (just as at the IGF itself)
  • Bottom up
  • Multistakeholder
  • Open and Transparent
  • Inclusive
  • Non commercial
NRIs – continued evolutionary growth

2011 (37)
- National IGFs: 23
- Regional and Sub-Regional IGFs: 12
- Youth IGFs: 2

2015 (37)
- National IGFs: 21
- Regional and Sub-Regional IGFs: 12
- Youth IGFs: 4

2016 (72 + 7 ‘in formations’)
- National IGFs: 49
- Regional and Sub-Regional IGFs: 15
- Youth IGFs: 8
The process of gathering all NRIs events details is ongoing. All events are published as they are announced by the NRIs Coordinators to the IGF Secretariat.
NRI Geographic Coverage – from a Global View

* This Map is constantly being updated as new Initiatives are emerging.
NRIs Main Session Structure

- Welcoming Remarks from Honorary Host Country Chair

- Segment I
  Presentation of the two topics that are of common interest, 3 minutes per speaker per topic:
  a) Access and Enhancing Opportunity for the Un-Connected and Under-Connected
  b) Secure, Resilient and Trusted Internet from the NRI Perspectives

- Segment II
  Identifying NRIs challenges and recommendations:
  a) Reliable and sustainable funding sources for the NRIs events
  b) Challenges in how to create more awareness about Internet Governance and why stakeholders should be actively engaging

- Q&A

- Conclusions: Defining Messages