National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs)

Update to the IGF MAG
MAG XII Virtual Meeting
26 September 2017, 12:00 p.m. UTC

IGF Secretariat
NRIs Focal Point, Anja Gengo
IGF 2017: Total number of recognized and ‘in-formation’ NRIs is 103

‘In-formation’ NRIs are in a stage of their internal organization, and are actively engaging with the IGF Secretariat.
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Legend: National IGFs | Regional IGFs | Youth IGFs
NRIs Main Session
NRIs perspectives: Rights in the Digital World

• **Preparatory process:** So far, 13 virtual meetings organized, several public surveys to receive inputs in a bottom up manner, conducted.

• **Session scheduled to be on Wednesday, 20 December 2017.**

• **Session duration:** 2.5 hours. Session split into two segments across the lunch break. First 90-minutes segment: 11.30 – 13.00 p.m. Second 60-minutes segment: 15.00 – 16.00 p.m.

• **Format:** Round table, interactive session with no predetermined order of speakers. First segment focused on the discussion among the NRIs with interacting with the audience. Second segment focused on continuing the interaction with the audience, and delivering final messages by multiple rapporteurs. The NRIs continue to explore the options to use the lunch break for informal networking among and with the NRIs, to bridge two segments and avoid creating session gap.

• **Content and Agenda:** NRIs to deliver their perspectives what are the rights in the online environment. Guiding questions are under development. The session will be opened by the Honorary Host Country Co-Chair. A short and comprehensive presentation of the NRIs Network Overview and Value will be delivered by the NRIs Focal Point, developed in a collaboration with the NRIs. After this, the co-moderators will introduce the session concept, and have the floor opened for the NRIs interventions. There will not be a predetermined order of speakers, but the speakers will be queued up as they ask for the floor.

• **Speakers:** Within their internal processes in accordance with the IGF criteria, the NRIs are confirming names for their representatives. So far, 19 NRIs will attend onsite *(Afghanistan IGF, IGF-USA, Panama IGF, Netherlands IGF, Sri Lanka IGF, China IGF, Spain IGF, German IGF, Democratic Republic of the Congo IGF, EuroDIG,, Youth LACIGF, Colombia IGF, SEEDIG, Tunisia IGF, Nigeria IGF, West Africa IGF, Nepal IGF, Portugal IGF, Brazil IGF)* and many will intervene online.
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• **Moderators:** Under consideration, with the understanding that the co-moderators will need to have knowledge on the substance and the IGF processes. So far, broad support given to Mr. Janis Karklins (former IGF MAG Chair and current Ambassador at the Permanent Mission of Latvia to UNOG), and the IGF NRIs Focal Point, Anja Gengo, to deliver presentation on the importance and value of the NRIs Network at the session opening. Other proposed candidates include:
  • Mr. Frank LaRue, Assistant Director-General Communication and Information at UNESCO
  • Mr. David Kaye, the UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression
  • Mr. Fadi Chehadé, former President and CEO of ICANN
  • Mr. José María Lassalle, Secretary of State for the Information Society and the Digital Agenda in Spain
  • Ms. Farzaneh Badii, Chair of the Non-Commercial Users Constituency
  • Mr. Krzysztof Szubert, Strategic Advisor to the Minister Plenipotentiary of Minister for International Affairs Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland, and a member of IGF Poland Steering Committee

• **Plan for online intervention:** Online moderator to communicate closely with the online participants and the onsite moderator. Online participants to be treated equally as the onsite. Prior to the meeting, the Focal Point to communicate with every NRIs individually the ways their communities can engage, and encourage organizing the NRIs Remote Hubs.
NRIs Collaborative Sessions

• Several rounds of consultations conduced among the NRIs, through a dedicated NRIs mailing list and virtual meetings, to have identified criteria for these sessions, with respecting the IGF principles and session guidelines.

• The above resulted in developing a consolidated document that reflects the criteria for these sessions. Among others, this document insists on having a stakeholder, regional and gender balance during the overall organization of the session, as well as during the sessions itself.

• Templates for workshops were used for these sessions proposals.

• Eight (8) proposals submitted to the IGF Secretariat.

• Thirty-two (32) different NRIs are involved in the core organizing groups, with having six (6) being involved in two (2) sessions and one (1) in three (3) sessions.
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2. Croatia IGF  
3. Colombia IGF  
4. Dutch IGF  
5. Nigeria IGF  
6. UK-IGF |
| Access and existing barriers on regional and national levels         | 1. Sri Lanka IGF  
2. Malawi IGF  
3. Colombia IGF  
4. Georgia IGF  
5. LACIGF  
6. West Africa IGF  
7. Afghanistan IGF |
| Digital Currency and Blockchain Technology                            | 1. China IGF  
2. Nigeria IGF  
3. Armenia IGF  
4. Brazil IGF |
| Multilingual Internet: IDNs under the magnifying glass               | 1. SEEDIG  
2. Nepal IGF  
3. Russian IGF  
4. Macedonia IGF |
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| Working together on national regional level to encourage IPv6 deployment: Experiences and addressing challenges | 1. Japan IGF  
2. Kenya IGF  
3. China IGF  
4. Netherlands IGF |
| European national perspectives on securing critical information infrastructure    | 1. EuroDIG  
2. UK-IGF  
3. Albania IGF  
4. Croatia IGF  
5. Netherlands IGF  
6. Ukraine IGF  
7. Georgia IGF  
8. Estonia IGF  
9. German IGF |
| Learning from the NRIs: exchanging experiences and insights on data retention, government access to data, and data literacy. | 1. Youth LACIGF  
2. Panama IGF  
3. Brazil IGF |
| Digital competences to harness technologies for sustainable development - Cases and Approaches | 1. Portugal IGF  
2. Brazil IGF  
3. Central Africa IGF |
Other NRIs activities during the IGF 2017

• **NRIs Coordination Session**
  An open meeting with the IGF MAG Chair, IGF Secretariat and UNDESA on the nature of the IGF’s collaboration with the NRIs and ways forward.

• **NRIs Info-Booth**
  Developing informational material and the NRIs schedule of face to face consultations during the meeting days with interested stakeholders.

• **IGF Secretariat to meet the Youth IGF Initiatives**
  Work meeting to look at the status of the mutual collaboration.
Contributing to the NRIs

For any NRIs related questions, contact the IGF Secretariat at: igf@unog.ch where a dedicated Focal Point to the NRIs will assist further.

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