National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs)

Status Update to the IGF 2017

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Origin and Background of the NRIs

• The Tunis Agenda established the Internet Governance Forum (Paragraph 72)
• No specific call for national or regional IGFs
• Multistakeholder approach recognized as a fundamental principle
• Encouraged development of multistakeholder processes at national, regional and international level to discuss and collaborate ... (Paragraph 80)
• Some countries and regions 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.
IGF 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 a submission of the annual report to the Secretariat, available on the IGF website.

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

• Core principles reflected by the NRIs Toolkit

• NRIs focus on Youth engagement through Youth IGF Initiatives. These practices are described in the NRIs publication: Youth Engagement at the IGF
NRIs – continued evolutionary growth

The IGF Secretariat conducts the retroactive recognition, which reflect the total number of the NRIs historically. These numbers are the existing records during the IGF relevant annual meetings.
IGF 2017: Total number of recognized and ‘in-formation’ NRIs is 107

‘In-formation’ NRIs are in a stage of their internal organization, and are actively engaging with the IGF Secretariat.
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<td>• EuroDIG, 6-7 June Estonia</td>
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Legend: National IGFs | Regional IGFs | Youth IGFs
NRIs Geographical Coverage

National IGFs
Regional IGFs
Youth IGFs
Integration of the NRIs at the IGF 2017

- **Eight NRIs Collaborative Sessions**
  More than 30 different IGFs partnered on topics of mutual interest

- **NRIs Main Session**
  NRIs Perspectives: Rights in the Digital World

- **NRIs Info Booth at the IGF Village**
  Visit the NRIs Booth and meet the NRIs

- **NRIs Coordination Session**
  Open work meeting between the NRIs, UNDESA, MAG Chair and IGF Secretariat. Thursday, 21 December at 12:30 p.m., Room XXV

- **Open Work Meeting between the Youth IGF Initiatives and the IGF Secretariat**
  Thursday, 21 December at 08:30 a.m., Room XXIV
Contributing to the NRIs

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