

**NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND YOUTH IGF INITIATIVE  
- Virtual Meeting II, 28 March 2018, 14:00 p.m. UTC**

**SUMMARY REPORT**

**About**

1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> virtual meeting of the National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiative took place on 28 March 2018 at 14:00 p.m. UTC.
2. The meeting was hosted by the IGF Secretariat's NRIs. The meeting agenda is attached to this document as Annex A1 and a list of shared documents as Annex A2. The list of shared documents is attached to this document.
3. The Host asked the participants to review the shared agenda. From the IGF-USA, it was suggested to add under the AoB the Collaborative Sessions from the 2017 IGF and plans for 2018. In addition, the agenda was adopted (Annex A1).

**Summary of key points**

4. The Host reminded that a full report from the first IGF 2018 OIC/MAG meeting was shared via the NRIs mailing list, available at <http://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/index.php?q=20180328>

- NRIs to help in developing the intersessional work
- NRIs to develop their own intersessional work
- How do the NRIs report to the IGF and among themselves?  
*On this item, the Host explained that the IGF Secretariat presents present stakeholders that the NRIs are independent reporting mechanisms or any type of hierarchy. All NRIs report to the IGF and feed into each other's work, where appropriate.*
- NRIs inputs and individual work to be in synchrony
- IGF Call for Issues: to learn from NRIs best practices and models (e.g. EuroDIG and SEEDIG model; LACIGF)

6. It was noted that one of the biggest outcomes from the IGF Meeting was the Call for Issues, as explained at the IGF website: <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-call-for-issues>. All NRIs were invited to contribute with issues of relevance to their communities by 13 April.
7. Specifically, for the launched Call for Issues, it was said that some of the NRIs processes. Practices from EuroDIG, EuroDIG African IGF, were shared and discussed during the face-to-face meeting of the MAG, and on a later stage through the mailing list, a road map was developed. The IGF Secretariat and the Chair of the MAG proposed a set of best practices from mentioned NRIs adjusted to the IGF.

9. Several participants followed the above summarized comments. Having a calendar of the NRIs annual meetings is useful for the scheduled NRIs meetings. The Host reminded that the IGF website: <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/20172018-annual-meetings>
10. The IGF-USA co-coordinator further noted that the Call for comments above, is a positive and progressive activity of the IGF. He noted that not all NRIs practices were explored, but just from a general perspective.
11. Related to some IGF community stakeholders asking for a consolidated information about the NRI, to be presented to the funding the NRIs individual and joint work, it was said that the IGF is committed to a certain extent, to support the work of the NRIs. The IGF-USA co-coordinator, that the UN Trust Fund can be a channel for providing this kind of a support to the NRIs, and the procedures.
12. The Host invited everyone to comment on the next agency's NRIs mailing list and potential changes. The Host noted that the consultations indicate that a potential consensus based on a new mailing list, followed by an appropriate set of guidelines, with the current mailing list open to everyone for postings related to the NRIs.

on the list.

14. From Ecuador IGF it was added that the current list is moderated and all posts are subject to moderator's approval, and that this excludes spam. The Host explained that the list is moderated just for the purpose of preventing spam email reaching the subscribers; however, all relevant posts are allowed. From recently, the coordinator's postings are not subject to moderation.

15. The Croatia IGF co-coordinator noted that this national IGF has a list of NRIs, having one list.

16. From the Colombia IGF, the coordinator added that it is in the process of making the archives open and available to public.

17. A member of ISOC added that the list should comply with the IGF-USA co-coordinator added that there should be an open discussion.

18. Given all so far received inputs, the Host suggested that the deadline for the NRIs on this subject matter are extended until every country has had a chance to express that hopefully will help in understanding the consensus building. Some objections were expressed toward this suggestion.

19. Participants moved to discussing the deadline for submitting

create a form for submitting three topics, similar to last year.

21. The Host provided a brief overview of the development of the 2018 report publication: Looking at the NRIs processes. It was said that the reports of the regional and sub-regional IGFs have been reviewed and a review of the national IGFs is underway. Concerns were raised about the 2017 report shared with the IGF, given that there were 70 NRIs and so far only 22 were submitted. All NRIs were kindly invited to submit their annual reports with the wider IGF community through the IGF website.
22. The ISOC member added that it would be useful to discuss the possibility of providing inexpensive and effective remote participation options. An agreement with this very important aspects of participation was reached at the meetings, and advised to post to the mailing list related to the IGF, an expert's point of view and experience.
23. There was an agreement among the participants, that the names of the coordinators should be publicly available, subject to further discussion with other NRIs.
24. A brief feedback was provided on the importance of the NRI sessions, where many participants said that these very useful sessions provided them they provided new perspectives into the IGF, but also created a sense of community.

26. The IGF Secretariat will communicate on the specific matters that further consultations are needed (status of the mail NRI coordinators), and send separate email calling for topics for the NRIs Joint Session at the IGF 2018).
27. *Next meeting:* A doodle poll will be sent in two weeks-time for a virtual meeting.
28. For any suggestions or questions regarding the Report of the Secretariat, NRIs Focal Point at: [agengo@unog.ch](mailto:agengo@unog.ch).

**ANNEX A1**

**AGENDA: Virtual Meeting II, 28 March 2018, at 14:00 p.m. U**

1. Introductions
2. IGF2018 1<sup>st</sup> Open Consultations&MAG Meeting: NRIs refl  
Secretariat's summary report to the NRIs) + Q&A
3. NRIs mailing list: potentially creating new mailing list an
4. NRIs Joint/Main Session: submitting inputs for determin
5. Status of the NRIs 2<sup>nd</sup> Publication
6. NRIs updates
7. AoB (e.g. list of NRIs coordinators to be publicly available

## **ANNEX A2**

### **MEETING PARTICIPANTS** *(in alphabetical order):*

1. Ana Baptista, Portugal IGF
2. Anja Gengo, IGF Secretariat
3. Barrack Otieno, Kenya IGF
4. Carlos Vera, Ecuador IGF
5. Concettina Cassa, Italy IGF
6. Dustin Phillips, IGF-USA
7. Frederico Links, Namibia IGF
8. Jennifer Chung, APrIGF
9. Joly MacFie, ISOC, USA
10. Judith Hellerstein, IGF-USA
11. Julian Casasbuenas G., Colombia IGF
12. Keisuke Kamimura, Japan IGF
13. Lianna Galstyan, Armenia IGF, SEEDIG
14. Maheeshwara Kirindigoda, Sri Lanka IGF
15. Makane Faye, Africa IGF
16. Mahamat Silim Moustapha, Mauritius IGF
17. Marilyn Cade, IGF-USA
18. Mark Carvell, UK IGF
19. Markus Kummer, IGFSA, Switzerland
20. Mary Uduma, Nigeria IGF, West Africa IGF
21. Michel TCHONANG LINZE, Central Africa IGF

**ANNEX A3**

**LIST OF SHARED INPUTS:**

## **2. IGF2018 1<sup>st</sup> Open Consultation MAG Meeting: NRIs reflections**

- NRIs not to be referred as part of the IGF intersessional work
- NRIs important collaborative-work partners
- NRIs to be partners in disseminating calls for inputs; other items that require attention/consultations
- Should/how the IGF focus on helping to fund the NRIs work?
- NRIs to help in developing the intersessional work
- NRIs to develop their own intersessional work
- How do the NRIs report to the IGF and among themselves?
- NRIs inputs and individual work to be in synchronization
- IGF Call for Issues: to learn from NRIs best practices; to explore different models (SEEDIG model; LACIGF model etc.)

### **3. NRIs Mailing List**

Proposal:

- Create [nris@intgovforum.org](mailto:nris@intgovforum.org) with set of guidelines
- Leave [Igfregionals@intgovforum.org](mailto:Igfregionals@intgovforum.org) for updates to community updated to NRIs

Other suggestions?

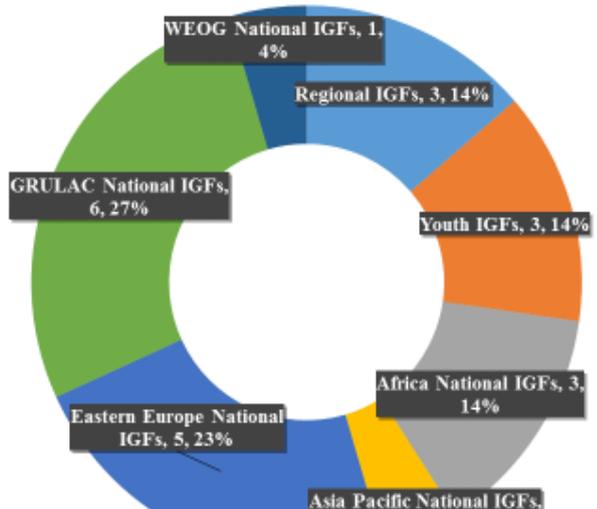
### **4. NRIs Joint/Main Session: submitting and determining topic**

- NRIs to submit inputs by end of April 2018
- To submit maximum of three topics, in order of priority

## 5. NRIs Publication II: Status Update

- 2016 reports reviewed
- 2017 reports reviewed
- Regional IGFs websites reviewed

IGF2017: 70 NRIs annual meetings held. 22 reports submitted



IGF2016: 42 NRIs annual meetings held. 37 reports s

