

Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group – Virtual Meeting XVII

Summary Report

2 May 2017

1. The seventeenth virtual meeting of the DC Coordination Group (DCCG) was held on 2 May 2017. The meeting was facilitated by Avri Doria and Markus Kummer, with Eleonora Mazzucchi representing the IGF Secretariat.
2. At the beginning of the call, a short briefing was given to DCs on the discussions that have taken place over the course of recent MAG virtual meetings. It was explained that these to date have focused largely on the renewal or establishment of intersessional Best Practice Forums (BPFs) and MAG working groups. DCs were reminded that BPFs have open working modalities, with open lists, archives and virtual meetings, and that any DC member is encouraged to join the work and in particular explore areas of synergy with their own DC. The BPFs this year are on Cybersecurity, Gender and Access, and Local Content (in addition, a third phase of the Policy Options for ‘Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s)’ (CENB III) initiative was approved). MAG working groups may also be open to non-MAG members and DCs will be able to stay abreast of their discussions through open archives.
3. Avri did a careful review of the DCs briefing document that was open for comment and suggested edits from DCs over the past month. The document gives an overview of what DCs are, what they produce, how they have been working together, and what some of their future plans for coordinated work are. It will be used as the basis for a briefing Avri will deliver to the MAG, to update members on how DCs are progressing and to familiarize new members with DC fundamentals. Several DCs made contributions to the document (in particular those on climate change, net neutrality, Internet rights and principles and blockchain technologies) and highlighted some of their own recent activities. There was broad agreement on a statement made in the document that the relatively recent coordinated work undertaken by DCs had help to revitalize the DCs community. Particular attention was also paid to a paragraph it was felt the MAG may be concerned with, having to do with the requirements DCs should meet in order to be eligible for individual sessions at the IGF. These requirements are spelled out on the DCs landing page on the IGF’s website and are also reiterated when the annual call for DC session requests is made. It was agreed clarity would be needed in that passage as to the fact that it is the Secretariat that receives these requests and approves them, provided the DC requester has met the stated requirements and according to programming needs (that language has been added). Following the document review, Avri informed she would make a call for consensus on this final draft on the mailing list, and on that basis, close the document.
4. A reference in the document was added to the working group Marianne Franklin (IRPC) and others have agreed to form on reviewing options for feedback methodologies for DC outputs. Marianne mentioned she would send details on an initial meeting of that group, before the next DC Coordination Call.

5. A quick review was also done of the draft guidelines for DC mailing list administration. The document, which is still open for suggested edits, gives basic guidelines for ensuring mailing lists remain inclusive and transparent, as well as a simple system of appeal for any DC list member at risk of being unsubscribed. It was agreed these guidelines and discussion on the feedback methodologies working group would be agenda items on the next coordination call.

6. The next DC Coordination Group meeting will take place in approximately one month, in early June.

Annex I - Participants List

Markus Kummer (Co-Facilitator)

Avri Doria (Co-Facilitator)

Eleonora Mazzucchi (IGF Secretariat)

Luca Belli (DCNN, DC3)

Robert Clark (DCICC)

Olivier Crépin Leblond (DC-CIV)

Marianne Franklin (IRPC)

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Jeremy Malcolm (DC-Trade)

Michael Oghia (DCICC)

Annex II – Draft Agenda

- I. Update on MAG IGF Programming Discussions; DC Participation @ IGF 2017

- II. [Briefing Document](#) for the MAG

- III. AOB