IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) Virtual Meeting XI
29 August 2018

Summary Report

1.   The eleventh Virtual MAG Meeting of the 2018 IGF preparatory cycle took place on 29 August. Ms. Lynn St. Amour moderated the meeting as Chair of the MAG. Eleonora Mazzucchi, Anja Gengo and Luis Bobo Garcia represented the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (**ANNEX I**) focused on logistical preparations for the annual meeting, as well as organization of thematic main sessions. Updates were also given by the MAG's working groups, IGF intersessional groups and National, Regional and Youth IGF initiatives (NRIs) on the status of their activities leading into IGF 2018.

2.   The meeting began with short updates from the MAG Chair on IGF preparations from the host country side, as received by the Chair. Ms. St. Amour reported that the French Government was still determining the best possible scenario for the meeting's high-level segment. She said options were being considered on both the day before the IGF, Sunday 11 November, as the [Paris Peace Forum](#) gets underway, and the morning of the first day of the IGF, Monday 12 November. The host country website, where practical information such as guidance on visas, accommodation and public transport, is made available, would be launched in early September. In addition, the title for the meeting was being finalized by host country colleagues in conjunction with the Office of the President of France, and based on MAG members' previous agreement to arrive at a final title built on the Host Country's formulation of 'Digital Revolution Requires Trust'.

3.   The Secretariat further shared that while holidays had slowed down communication, UNESCO, the venue for the meeting, had confirmed an adequate space would be available for short, informal lightning sessions. Some particulars, such as the equipment to be used, needed to be finalized, but planning for scheduling the sessions could begin. Meanwhile, the Secretariat was transferring an internal first draft of the meeting schedule onto a Secretariat-developed platform that if testing shows works well, would replace the external platform used in previous years ('Sched'). It also informed MAG members that one or more interns were being sought ahead of the IGF and encouraged them to disseminate the vacancy announcement through their communities. In response to a question concerning the replacement for Chengetai Masango, the IGF's Programme and Technology Manager who has been temporarily seconded to support the UN Secretary-General's new [digital cooperation panel](#), it was said that interviews of the eligible candidates had concluded. Once pending issues regarding Mr. Masango's secondment were resolved, the temporary position would be filled.

4.   Regarding initial organization of thematic main sessions, the Chair had sent out a reminder message to encourage members to subscribe themselves to the dedicated mailing lists, particularly those that were under-subscribed or where there were gaps in stakeholder representation. The Secretariat reported that since this was issued,

membership in the groups had positively increased; little discussion had taken place within any of the groups, however. The Chair urged members to begin identifying facilitators for their groups and to kickstart the planning process. The Secretariat further reported that a reminder sent to the individual lists on supporting workshop mergers on their theme had yielded a few volunteers, and that in parallel, several proposers who had been asked to merge were independently managing their own process. The Secretariat said it would communicate any updates in this regard to the relevant lists.

5.   Next, members heard briefings from the MAG [working groups](), namely those on IGF Improvements (WG-IMP), Outreach and Engagement (WG-OE), Funding (WG-FUN) and Multiyear Strategic Work Programme for the IGF (WG-WMP). WG-IMP reported volunteers in its group were in the process of reviewing the totality of the improvement recommendations, and would come back to the MAG with a plan for follow-up actions. In conjunction with this, the Chair suggested future high-level status reports that could be submitted to the entities that had made the original recommendations. WGOE mentioned that for its part, it was continuing to disseminate important IGF updates as widely as possible, bilingually in English and French. The MAG Chair then gave updates on WG-FUN and WG-WMP, the two groups she leads. On funding, it was said the small but ambitious working group was focused on improving or developing a number of outreach materials together with the Secretariat and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), such as brochures, leaflets and in particular, letters to donors, as well as increasing donor visibility on the IGF's website. The WG-MWP, meanwhile has been focused on addressing what more the IGF might do to advance International Public Policy issues within the IGF Ecosystem, specifically looking to see what options exist with respect to producing more tangible outputs from the IGF activities. This would be done in a multi-year timeframe for a small number of community supported issues. It is hoped these streams of work will be informed by pilots the group will propose to launch at the respective IGF annual meetings in 2018 and 2019.

6.   The Best Practice Forums (BPFs) on Cybersecurity; Artificial Intelligence, Big Data & Internet of Things; and Local Content; gave additional short briefings on their work. The groups have held several meeting and are beginning to collect community input as they move into developing output documents. [Details on their activities and individual meetings can be found on the [BPF page]() on the IGF's website.]

7.   Finally, the liaison for Dynamic Coalitions (DCs) reported that many coalitions had volunteered to join the organizational effort for the SDG-focused main session on Development, Innovation & Economic Issues', and that this would involve the use of a 'DCs-SDGs matrix' to help identify policy convergences and areas of focus for the session. Collaboration was already underway with the relevant MAG members, it was said.

8.   The NRIs Focal Point reported on coordinated work among initiatives, noting that the bottom-up process for defining the policy questions and the format for the NRIs main session 'Evolution of Internet Governance: focus on the multistakeholder approach' is underway. It was further reported that the NRIs decided to focus the collaborative sessions on the following five topics: access beyond mere connectivity, fake news, digital economy, impact of emerging technologies and cybersecurity. The

NRIs co-organizers of the collaborative session on cybersecurity will collaborate with the BPF on Cybersecurity co-facilitators. It was added that in parallel, the NRIs work on organizing a joint booth for the IGF Village and are currently developing info-materials. Aside of the NRIs integration in the 13th IGF annual meeting, the Focal Point briefed about the status development of the NRIs Network, highlighting a recently organized Asia Pacific regional IGF (APrIGF)in Vanuatu. It was underlined that one of the major outcomes of the APrIGF is that the community of Vanuatu decided to establish a national IGF. The MAG was informed that the organization the national IGFs in Sudan and South Sudan is underway, while the national IGF of Haiti was recently recognized by the IGF Secretariat.

8.   The next virtual meeting of the MAG will take place on **Wednesday 12 September at 11.00 UTC**, as indicated in the calendar.

Annex I

MAG Virtual Meeting XI
Wednesday 29 August 2018, 13.00 UTC
Draft Agenda

1. Opening/Adoption of Agenda (5 mins)

2. Misc. Updates by the Secretariat/Chair, incl. (10 mins)

3. Update on Host Country preparations - holidays permitting (15 mins)

4. Review Thematic (Main) session process and preparations (20 mins), incl. Mergers

5. MAG WG Updates (20 mins)

6. Intersessional Updates: BPFs, DCs, CENB (20 mins)

7. NRI Updates (10 mins)

8. AOB (5 mins)

List of Participants

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