<u>Summary Report</u>

1.   The tenth Virtual MAG Meeting of the 2018 IGF preparatory cycle took place on 8 August. Ms. Lynn St. Amour moderated the meeting as Chair of the MAG. Eleonora Mazzucchi, Anja Gengo and Luis Bobo represented the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (**ANNEX I**) focused on components of the IGF 2018 annual meeting programme, namely Thematic main sessions and the process for organizing them, as well as a broad accounting of all sessions in the programme, including workshops, open forums and new session formats, and projected arrangements for accommodating them at the IGF meeting venue.

2.   The meeting began with an overview of the [final agreed list of workshops](#), totalling 71. Briefly describing the process, it was noted that this number was higher than the original target of 60 workshops as a result of the deliberations by the MAG in their 2nd face-to-face meeting. Those deliberations supported including the top 40 rated proposals as well as 30 more proposals being pulled in as part of the balancing exercise to address thematic proportionality and various diversity requirements. As more workshops could unexpectedly be accommodated due to their 60-minute (versus 90-minute) durations, this was the recommendation. The process to arrive at the final list also took into account some requests from MAG members for better regional representation and inclusion of issues that were under-represented, as well as some requests from the French Host Country. The concluding list is thematically balanced according to community interests, although an imbalance remains in the over-representation of workshop speakers from the Western European and Others regional group (WEOG). A quick count of all sessions in the programme, such as [open forums](#), Best Practice Forum (BPF), Dynamic Coalition (DC) and anticipated new format sessions, among others, found that the global number of sessions would be somewhere between 140 and 150. It was noted that a number of improvements to the workshops process have been achieved, and the number of overall sessions reduced by 25%, the exceptional 3-day duration of the IGF for 2018 still results in 10 tracks per day. It was commented that for next year, the MAG should consider options for further reducing the number of parallel tracks, in line with the aim this year to keep the programme more cohesive and thematically-focused. The Chair encouraged this and suggested a separate set of dedicated meetings take place among the MAG to discuss more reforms for the next annual cycle. This work was to be led by the Working Group on the Workshop Review and Evaluation Process (WG-WREP) and inviting all MAG members to participate.

3.   The Secretariat gave a quick explanation on the ability of the venue to host the sessions in the schedule. It was said that ten spacious workshop rooms at UNESCO would be available, in addition to a handful of smaller meeting rooms which will likely be assigned as bilateral meeting rooms. An appropriate space for new sessions, in particular 'lightning' sessions, which typically take place outside meeting rooms in a

public 'open air' setting, was being explored. The Secretariat noted it would make every effort to ensure this space would be as attractive as possible, using experiences from both the 2016 and 2017 meetings to guide a decision. Regarding IGF Village booths, it was confirmed that a suitable exhibition area was being assigned and that the Secretariat had a preliminary layout designed. It was said, however, that in order to be able to accommodate more requests for booths, plans to extend the exhibition area were being discussed with UNESCO, and a final booths composition scheme could be expected within the next week or so. Some discussions with the venue, on booths as well as other logistics, were slower than usual due to the holiday period in the Northern hemisphere.

4.   An update from the French Host Country representative included, among others, the Government's efforts to prepare for visa requests for the IGF. To ensure the visa processes are smooth, it was said that measures were being taken to assist specifically participants of the IGF meeting. It was also said that the Host Country website, which will contain travel and other logistical instructions, would be ready to launch by early September. MAG members were told the IGF's opening and closing ceremonies as well as high-level session, traditionally organized by the Host Country, were under discussion and the details, including on links with the Paris Peace Forum, would be shared with them as soon as possible.

5.   Regarding Thematic main sessions, it was agreed that the Secretariat would prepare separate mailing lists by theme for MAG members wishing to assist in the organizing effort. The groups were expected to be loosely be in line with the expressions of interest signalled by members in the main sessions Doodle poll, but privacy considerations required each MAG to self register for the mailing list The lists could also serve as more general discussion groups on the representation of that particular theme in the programme. Moreover, it was suggested the thematic groups could take responsibility for assisting in the mergers of workshops that fall under their theme, in particular if there are no volunteers specifically picking up a merger to mentor.

6.   Finally, short updates were given by the MAG's various working groups. The Working Group on Outreach and Engagement (WGOE) reported that it was disseminating information in both English and French on the IGF's preparatory activities, specifically the final selection of workshops; the Working Group on the Workshop Review and Evaluation Process (WG-WREP) said it had not met yet since the face-to-face meeting, but would start collecting notes and feedback on the workshops process to be used for next year; while the Working Group on IGF Improvements (WG-IMP) it was said was working to finalize their database documenting all the improvement recommendations made to the IGF over the past years. The Chair then briefed on the Working Group on Fundraising (WG-FUN), which she said was focusing its work on targeting a small group of potential donors; she added that the group is in the process of drafting a letter/leaflet to be sent to those donors, both ahead of and during the IGF annual meeting. The Chair also briefed on the Working Group on a Multiyear Strategic Work Programme for the IGF (WG-MWP), which is discussing approaches to encourage a multiyear program for a small number of critical topics as well as more concrete outputs from the IGF meeting itself. At the same time the WG is exploring the community's interest and desire for more engagement possibly through

deliberative consultative processes across the community to aid in the production of such outputs. In parallel, the WG is also working to increase visibility and presentation of the valuable outputs produced by the IGF during its Annual Meeting as well as intersessionally.

7.   Given that many MAG members will be on holiday during the month of August, the next virtual meeting will take place in three weeks' time (rather than two), on **Wednesday 29 August at 13.00 UTC**, as indicated in the calendar.

Annex I

MAG Virtual Meeting X
Wednesday 8 August 2018, 20:00 UTC
Draft Agenda

1. Opening/Adoption of Agenda (5 mins)

2. Misc Updates by the Secretariat/Chair, incl. WS preparations, Open Forums, Village, New Sessions, Facilitating workshop mergers etc. (20 mins)

3. Update by Host Country (15 mins)

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

5. MAG WG Updates (20 mins)

6. AOB

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