

IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) Virtual Meeting IV 25 April 2017

Summary Report

1. The fourth Virtual MAG Meeting of the 2017 IGF preparatory cycle took place on 25 April. Ms. Lynn St. Amour moderated the meeting as Chair of the MAG and Mr. Chengetai Masango represented the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (ANNEX I) focused on the process for organizing IGF main sessions, and following up items from the previous meeting, on new or pending MAG working groups and the final selection of BPFs for 2017.

2. At the start of the meeting the Secretariat gave a short update on the workshop and open forum proposals received to date. It was reported that some 25 submissions were made for workshops, and 4 for open forums, figures which are in keeping with previous years at this stage in the process as 90 percent of submissions are usually made during the last 48 hours from the deadline. It was said the calls for Day 0 events and IGF Village booths would be made shortly and follow synchronized deadlines.

3. An overview of the 2016 main sessions process was given by a MAG member who had facilitated the process. The guidelines had been thoroughly reviewed by the MAG last year and hence may not need significant revision. The guidelines outline both process and principles for how MAG members should organize main sessions, with emphasis on planning that is multistakeholder, open to inputs from stakeholder communities, and results in substantive topical sessions with diverse speakers. Some rules on what roles MAG members should play in their own and other main sessions, as well as best practices from organizers in previous years, are also provided. Several MAG members volunteered to participate in the effort to update the guidelines for 2017, in particular adding language to make online participation an explicit planning objective, adding details on the tagging process, and with advice from the Secretariat, devising an appropriate timeline. One MAG member suggested that the main sessions this year should take full advantage of the IGF's location in Geneva to engage stakeholders and experts from Governments and IGOs located there. The MAG Chair briefly gave a projection of the expected number of available main session slots, based on a preliminary 'main sessions grid' (ANNEX **II**), explaining there could be roughly between six and eight, but this is highly dependent upon the length of the sessions.

4. A short briefing was given on the proposal for a third potential phase of the 'Policy Options for Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s)' (CENB III) initiative (ANNEX III). Phase III will focus on gathering global case studies on a limited number of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) – SDGs 4 (Education), 5 (Gender Equality) and 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) – impacted by Information Communication Technologies (ICTs). The proposal was supported by the MAG overall and it was decided CENB will continue in

2017, although it was noted that similarity with the work done by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) to strengthen the WSIS-SDG nexus should be avoided in order not to duplicate efforts.

Elaborating on a fundraising memo shared with MAG members before the 5. meeting, the Chair underlined the need for fundraising efforts to get underway as quickly as possible and suggested a decision on a more formal working group could be taken at a later date. Several members have already volunteered to contribute to this effort and will explore fundraising opportunities on an individual basis. Much support was expressed for the new working group on 'Multi-year Strategic Work Programme' (ANNEX III), for which a draft outline had also been sent by the Chair. As part of the planning targets in the outline, it was said that MAG members' initial ideas on this should be presented at the next face-to-face meeting in June. The MAG Chair will co-facilitate this group with another MAG member, ideally from a different stakeholder community. Members were reassured that the group would coordinate closely with the new Working Group on IGF Improvements, and that these important issues would in any case involve the whole MAG. One member raised the question of non-MAG members potentially co-facilitating working groups, which had been discussed previously but without a final decision. The Chair asked that the question be put to the MAG mailing list for further discussion.

6. Presentations were given on each of the two pending Best Practice Forum (BPF) proposals for 2017 – on <u>International Cooperation</u> and <u>Local Content</u> (**ANNEX III**). Support has been extended to both of these in previous virtual meetings and on the mailing list. Given that the International Cooperation proposal builds on a workshop held at the IGF last year and that the issue warrants maximum visibility, it was ultimately decided that it would be best suited to a possible main session or Day 0 event. The BPF on Local Content, which members on the call continued to express support for, was approved for the 2017 cycle.

7. The meeting closed with agreement that the next call should discuss ideas for main sessions, as well as concrete remote participation strategies for IGF 2017, and Day 0 events. Members were informed the Chair and Secretariat were working on a calendar of future meetings and that this would be shared as soon as possible. The next virtual meeting is tentatively scheduled for **Tuesday**, **9 May at 16.00 UTC.**

<u> Annex I – Draft Agenda</u>

MAG Virtual Meeting IV 25 April 2017, 12:00-13:30 UTC Draft Agenda

- 1. Adoption of agenda (5 minutes)
- **2.** Update on workshops and open forums; Other programming milestones (5 *minutes*)
- 3. Review of the Main Session process (25 minutes)
- 4. Follow-up from MAG Virtual Meeting III (45 minutes)
 - a. CENB III
 - b. Updates on all approved WGs; Details on new WGs for 2017 -'Improvements', 'Multiyear Work Programme' and 'Fundraising'
 - c. Finalizing BPF selection: Local Content/ International Cooperation
- **5. AOB** (*10 minutes*)

<u> Annex II – Main Sessions Grid</u>

IGF 2017 MAIN SESSIONS GRID

TIME	DAY 1 18 Dec	DAY 2 19 Dec	DAY 3 20 Dec	DAY 4 21 Dec		
10:00 - 13:00	Main Session 1	Main Session 2	Main Session 4	Main Session 6		
LUNCH						
15:00 - 18:00	Setting the Scene: Orientation Opening Ceremony Opening Session	Main Session 3	Main Session 5	Open Mike Taking Stock Closing Ceremony		

*6 MAIN SESSION SLOTS - 3 HRS EACH **8 MAIN SESSIONS IN 2016 - 4 x 3 HRS / 4 x 1.5 HRS

<u>Annex III – Table of Proposed IGF 2017 Intersessional Activities & MAG</u> <u>Working Groups</u>

The following table outlines the status of various IGF intersessional and MAG working groups and intersessional activities <u>as of 24 April 2017</u>.

**Asterisked groups are newly proposed in 2017.

MAG members are listed under "Support" and "Other Comments" based on their messages to the MAG mailing list between Virtual Meetings II and IV (28 March - 25 April). Names of facilitators are tentative.

<u>Please note</u>: all of the groups are open to all MAG members and MAG involvement. Broad MAG support for each of the approved groups in 2017 is encouraged.

2017 MAG Working Groups				
Proposed Groups	Status / Support			
Workshop Review & Evaluation Process (WG-WREP)	WG Proposal/Facilitation: Rasha Abdulla			
Approved - and awaiting updated charter				
Outreach and Communications (WG-CO)	WG Proposal/Facilitation: Segun Olugbile			
	Doc Link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-d-</u> EIIQWsUiMkR2ZnNsVTdzeXc/view?usp=sharing			
Approved				
New Session Formats (WG-SF)	WG Proposal/Facilitation: Miguel Ignacio Estrada			
Approved	Doc Link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HNPvUeP6R08vublqwve CB2t- TTmCxYDV7njzmsZcnw/edit			
**IGF Improvements (WG-IMP)	WG Proposal/Facilitation: Avri Doria			
Approved	Doc Link: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-</u> WSFh9XQV0hutxuAlxsAJCs8XNtiCDSktADcEYKdFrI/edit			
Fundraising	WG Proposal/Facilitation: Lynn St. Amour			
Pending discussion	Plan for a concerted and immediate effort to be drafted by Chair and reviewed by MAG. Necessity of a WG to be determined post review.			

**Multi-Year Work Programme (WG- MYWP)	WG Proposal/Facilitation: Lynn St. Amour Charter to be drafted and sent to MAG for review Doc Link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XOMC_GxCXcaDJlaUKD8G	
Pending discussion	NQhsTBoD2k5bDLeYA00v0Go/edit	
	2017 Best Practice Forums (BPFs)	
Proposed BPFs	Status / Support	
Cybersecurity	BPF Proposal/Facilitation: Markus Kummer	
Approved	Doc Link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-d-</u> EIIQWsUiZEhqX0p3ZHJIbnM/view?usp=sharing	
Gender & Access	BPF Proposal/Facilitation: Jac SM Kee	
Approved	Doc Link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jaPnOcL0fKroPvrxxzRiZ HCzUA8k1XBqxpK0InvGjSk/edit	
**Local Content	Concept paper open for comments.	
Pending discussion	Support: Zeina, Miguel, Flávio, Israel, Julián, Liesyl, Carolyn, Michael, Sala, Giacomo, Lea, Mamadou, Alejandra, Shita, Wisdom, Liesyl Other Comments: Ginger	
	BPF Proposal/Facilitation: Miguel Ignacio Estrada, Raquel Gatto	
	Doc Link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fILDME- 2swKoshbQgXkBJtG8CqxW50ky0Mt0Rw1zYy4/edit	
**International Cooperation	Proposal sent to MAG list 10 April.	
Pending discussion	Support: Arnold, Laura, Lynn, Carolyn, Elizabeth, Segun Other Comments: Ginger, Flávio, Lea, Israel	
	BPF Proposal/Facilitation: TBD	
	Doc Link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-d-</u> <u>EIIQWsUiWEdlTlFqVnhPVms/view?usp=sharing</u>	
**Combatting Corruption Online	There was strong support for this based on a concept note circulated last year by Mike Nelson. Updated proposal to be sent, with a focus on ensuring we can resource the effort.	

Removed from consideration: no proposal/champion	Support: Zeina, Flávio Other Comments: Arnold, Julián, Liesyl BPF Proposal/Facilitation: Mike Nelson Doc Link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-d-</u> EIIQWsUidTFpVVImb0FZYTQ/view?usp=sharing	
**Remote Participation		
Removed from consideration	Support: Zeina, Rafael, Miguel Ignacio, Miguel, Israel, Shita, Slobodan, Avri, Wisdom Other Comments: Flávio, Haojun, Segun, Arnold, Julián, Michael, Laura, Liesyl, Carolyn	
	BPF Proposal/Facilitation: Renata Aquino Ribeiro, Israel Rosas, Mamadou Lo	
	Doc Link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fYChgZI1YUCLwI43gTW GoTHp0aW8EEsTLlvPkfmxpg8/edit	
Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s) (CENB) Phase III		
CENB Phase III	Proposal out for review.	
Pending discussion	Support: Flávio, Wisdom, Israel, Zeina, Arnold	
	CENB Proposal/Facilitation: Constance Bommelaer, Raquel Gatto	
	Doc Link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-d- EIIQWsUiRWVvRld5ZW1scGs/view	

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