

The following text is excerpted from an ongoing discussion on the IGF Advisory Group mailing list. The only changes made relate to an effort to anonymize the comments in respect of the Chatham House rule. The discussion took place between 08 - 16 May, 2008.

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(Writer A)

>[The list of workshops and best practices forums is now available on our Website.](#)

The feature on the workshop page allowing users to click through to the next listed workshop rather than going back to the menu is very helpful. However, could the secretariat pull together all 90+ proposals into a single file. I know it will be a lot of work, but better one person does it once than all of us keep going through many times. Think it would help us greatly as we try to suggest merging, identify strongest themes, etc.

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(Writer B)

I am sorry I will be unable to join you for your final session. Can I say thank you to Chengetai and Avri for helping to make remote participation work so well. I would also like to add that I agree with the comments yesterday that freedom of expression appeared to have dropped out of consideration as an issue. I quite like the approach suggested by Matthew that would draw it in as part of a larger debate. This was an idea that also had support at the Rio meeting.

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(Writer C)

Yesterday, we discussed the need for user-centered approach to Internet Governance. One of the best ways is to tell a story and to anchor IG-discussion into daily experience of Internet users. Here is one attempt in this direction. You can find enclosed a comic book on "Children Safety". The comic book is in a very early stage of development (both content and drawing). We plan to have a few more comic books on Spam, Privacy and Security. If you have any other idea/story/scenario for visualisation of IGF-related issues please let me know.

**ATTACHMENT: Children Safety - User-Centered Approach to IG - web.pdf**

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(Writer D)

A very good idea, this is something which the Council of Europe is committed to i.e. a people-centred approach to internet governance reflections. In this context, it could be worth taking a look at the CoE game for children entitled "Wild Web Woods" ( [http://www.wildwebwoods.org/popup\\_langSelection.php](http://www.wildwebwoods.org/popup_langSelection.php) / [www.coe.int](http://www.coe.int) ) which provides clear and user-friendly information on the spam, privacy, security etc within human rights context.

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(Writer C)

You may remember that during the February MAG meeting I shared with you the information for the 2008 Capacity Building Programme before the official launch. Thanks for the great ideas and questions you provided - this helps us a lot in improving our courses.

This year, the launch exceeded our expectations and in a few days our staff received more than four hundred applications from all regions of the globe. Our structure allowed us to select 144 participants who mostly fitted to our criteria.

These participants represented 92 countries and created a very diverse group with telecom. experts, professors, students, diplomats, business people - we considered gender balance and diversity in the selection process.

These 144 were divided in 9 regional and multilingual groups:

- 3 groups from Latin America (Portuguese, Spanish and English),
- 2 groups from Africa (French and English),
- 2 groups from Asia-Pacific
- 2 groups with participants from Middle East (Arabic) and Europe.

Just like in our 2005, 2006 and 2007 editions of Diplo capacity building initiatives, this year the discussion was highly interactive and substantive.

Here are two (literally) great numbers that can illustrate the dynamism:

- 24.930 questions and comments exchanged in a vibrant discussion
- 12.877 hours dedicated in online interaction (consulting texts, discussing online, etc.)

This was for our foundations programme. And now?

Those who successfully completed the foundations phase got access to the advanced courses which will be run between May and June.

The advanced phase focuses on the following issues:

- CyberSecurity
- Privacy
- Intellectual Property Rights
- Internet Infrastructure
- E-commerce
- E-voting

I'm very happy to share this with you - thanks for your continued interest and support to the programme.

Please send me a private message and I will be glad to send you our book "Emerging Leaders for the Digital World" with the details of concrete results that our capacity building has achieved.

Also, it will be a pleasure to exchange ideas on how you can join or just observe our capacity building course and research activities.

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(Markus Kummer)

Many thanks for your hard work and your contribution to what I feel was a very constructive meeting.

Unfortunately, we ran out of time and we were not able to go through the Summary Report we had been preparing. However, I feel it was more important to get a clearer idea on the substance of the Hyderabad meeting rather than agreeing on the report of our discussions.

I had hoped to discuss the deadlines we propose:

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Let me explain the rationale.

The 30 June deadlines:

The first deadline was included in our previous paper.

The second deadline gives us sufficient time to assess the demand prior to our next planning mission in July. Based on the requests received by then, we should have sufficient time to work out a suitable concept in cooperation with our Indian hosts.

The third deadline should allow us enough time for consolidation of workshops.

The 12 September deadline is the last possible moment for producing a paper that will need to go into the UN translation machinery in time to be ready in all languages at least two weeks prior to the Hyderabad meeting. (The English version can be relaxed earlier.)

The Summary Report has been approved by the Chairman.

It is our intention to post it tomorrow on our Website, indicating that it is a Summary Report prepared by the Secretariat.

**ATTACHMENT: MAG.Summary.15.05.2008.doc**

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(Markus Kummer)

Basic mathematics: looking at the report again I counted five different broad agenda items.

Please find attached the corrected summary report.

We will work on the rolling document that will give a more detailed description of our discussions. At this stage, in the spirit of transparency, it is important to get the basic information out.

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(Writer E)

Thank you very much for the excellent arrangements made for remote participation and also for this summary.

Special thanks to Avri for all her attention to our questions and comments rising our names and handling technical issues during the meeting.

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(Markus Kummer)

and here is the attachment of the revised summary report.

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correct, then point 5 should read "Each of the five threads"...)

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(Writer G)

I won't repeat the comments of others, who prove to be sharp-eyed proofreaders and mathematicians. I just want to thank Nitin, Markus and team for the fast turn around of these excellent notes. Obviously in the expanded version we will want to offer a more thorough explanation of the new format and how it will work, but these serve well the purpose of getting the news out quickly.

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(Writer H)

> [I just want to thank Nitin, Markus and team for the fast turn around](#)  
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Being forced to leave shortly after 6PM due to a flight from GVA (that was then delayed 3 hours...), I also want to thank Nitin, Markus, Avri, Chengetai and others. Their hard work for this meeting started many weeks ago, but we all noticed of course first the "problems entering the building". That was resolved, and as always, every other bump in the road where resolved.

Specifically of course, I thank for the report. An excellent summary that I fully support (modulo what I would call editorial/mathematical nits).

One specific comment though on "...next billion" or "...next billion of users". I think I have heard through out the meetings that we all agree "users" are not only "consumers" or "customers". They will also "produce" information and be "providers of services". Take pictures, produce music, write on blogs,... As long as we have that as an

agreement, I am fine with adding terms like "users".

If the comment seems weird, I want to explain that the normal translation to Swedish of the term "user" very much is a passive object. Not "active" which is what I hope we all agree Internet "users" are. And I would be nervous if the next billion connected users will be passive.

They will NOT be passive. Believe me...

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(Writer I)

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(Writer J)

Thank you Markus. Excellent.

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(Writer K)

thank you for the quick report. Perhaps it would be good to add that the main session workshops are consecutive. People also might ask about the the duration of workshops and main sessions. This could be added without much effort and avoid lots of questions.

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(Markus Kummer)

Dear Writer F,

Thank you for your thoughtful comments and thanks you also for taking the time to participate remotely and actively.

Below you find my comments on the points you raised:

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We discussed both options and settled for the shorter version, as it was felt that this would be a catchier phrase.

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- > the following five threads" instead of "four threads"; (if this is
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I got in a muddle with the arithmetic! Thinking about it again, I think it is better to separate the agenda proposer from the threads. Let me explain: we have to submit the agenda for approval to the Secretary-General. He will include the agenda in the invitation that he will issue, hopefully, in July. The agenda, therefore, needs to be frozen now. The details of the various substantive threads with the respective sub-themes, however, are still a work in progress. Furthermore, the agenda item 'Taking stock and the way forward' is not really a thread beyond that one session. I will revise the summary report accordingly.

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- > c) point 11. Should "30 June" be the deadline for Open forums only or for
- > Open Forums, best practices forums and DC meetings?

We had set 30 April as a deadline for the best practice forums, but we can extend it if there is a feeling we should be flexible. You are right: we ought to know by 30 June whether or not the various DC will hold a meeting, so we can factor them in when working out the meeting schedule. In addition, we need to set a deadline for the submission of the final programme of all other events. As we will need to know this when we meet in September we can set 12 September as a deadline.

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- > d) Finally I would also like to thank Avri for the help offered for remote
- > participation.

Let's not forget to include in our thanks Chengetai who worked with Avri as a team.

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- > stakeholders.

This will need further discussions, but basically we agreed to move away from the panels we had during the first two meetings and have a more open format for the debate sessions. The speaker list for the main session workshops will be selected by the workshop organizers in cooperation with the MAG and the Secretariat. The main debate sessions will be introduced by the chairs of the workshops and a very limited number of speakers with unquestioned standing. Daniel mentioned that he would try and invite Sir Tim Berners-Lee for the emerging issues session. All MAG members are kindly requested to identify and invite speakers of equivalent standing from their respective stakeholder groups.

Please find attached a revised version of the Summary Report. It adds these new deadlines and it makes the distinction between the agenda proper and the four substantive threads. I also reversed the order of paras 5 and 6, as this seems more logical.

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(Writer L)

Thank you Markus for this report that has proven to be very accurate based in the comments of our colleagues.

It is very useful also for those of us that could not participate in the meeting.

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(Writer H)

> [We had set 30 April as a deadline for the best practice forums](#)

While talking about the best practice forums... I was called by the (-----) that have submitted a proposal. They asked me what the status is for them, and when looking at our webpage, I could only see status of workshops.

Maybe just a sentence talking about them would help and minimize the number of phone calls... I know you have a lot to do now (and when you are done, you should rest a few days/hours), but... Can you add a request from me to have some info on them on the web page to some I guess Very Long Todo List that I presume you have?

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(Writer F)

Thank you Markus for all the explanations. I didn't catch all remotely. And also thanks for the changes. To continue with the "thanks" : thanks Writer H for sharing with us/me the ----- understanding of "users" (interesting) and finally thanks to Chengetai that I forgot!

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(Markus Kummer)

Dear Writer K,

Excellent suggestion - there is much to be said in favour of more precision, especially if it helps avoid confusion!

We reformulated para 6 accordingly. In doing so, we also realized that there is a difference in the treatment of 'emerging issues' and the other substantive threads, as the session won 'emerging issues' will be held in the morning. We also tried to clarify this aspects and made it clear - in para 5 - that each thread belonged to a different day.

I hope it is clearer now. We are in the process of posting it.

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