STRENGTHENING THE MULTI-STAKEHOLDER APPROACH ON NORMS

DAY-0 WORKSHOP

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Concept

The international discussion on norms of acceptable behaviour in cyberspace has been prominent in the last few years and the establishment of norms is being placed higher on the agenda of many international fora. While states remain the duty bearers for human rights and security, the digital domain has a myriad of actors with a specific interest in the domain, who have launched several initiatives to establish norms within and between stakeholder groups. At the United Nations the UN Group of Governmental Experts (UNGGE) has previously made a milestone 2015 consensus report on norms of state behaviour in cyberspace. In 2019 two processes were created at the UN to expand on this consensus through another UN Group of Governmental Experts and an Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) which has created broad participation opportunities.

The two processes at the UN do not exclude non-governmental stakeholders from playing a role in creating, implementing and observing norms. This workshop intends to ask:

- what roles do stakeholders play for a specific norm, when choosing between Opinion Shapers, Rule Makers, Problem Solvers, Whistle-blowers, Community builders?
- what are the challenges to take up different roles?
- How could stakeholders support each other to take on a certain role?

The purpose of the workshop is to exchange best practices between stakeholders and develop recommendations for the European Union and other stakeholders on strengthening the multi-stakeholder approach.

Find the workshop in the IGF schedule here.

Agenda

25 November 2019

10:35   Welcome and opening remarks

10:40-10:50   Introduction to Norms of Responsible Behaviour and Multistakeholder participation

10:50-11:00   Explanation on workshop Goals and Methods

11:00-12:00   Brainstorm sessions

12:00-12:35   Presentation of group work and recommendations