

IGF2016 Readout Event

Date and time: Thu 26th Jan 2017 16:00-17:45 JST

Venue : JPNIC office meeting room, Tokyo, Japan

Participants : 30 onsite, 3 online

Survey: 17 responses

- Gender: Male 65%, Female 23%, No Response 18%
- Stakeholders: Internet operations related 35%, Government 17%, Business 12%, Others 18% No Response 18%
- Satisfaction : Satisfied 35.3%, Generally Satisfied 41.2%, Average 17.6%, Slightly Unsatisfied 5.9% (Too fast to understand the contents), Unsatisfied 0%

Program:

1. Overview of IGF2016

- Keisuke Katsuki (New comer to the IGF): Video and Slides
 - Izumi Okutani (IGF2016 MAG member): Slides
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2. Reflection by participants

- Government
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Shin Takamura (Ministry of Internal Affairs and Information) : Slides

- Technical Community
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Hiro Hotta (Japan Registry Service)

Hiroshi Esaki (Tokyo University/ISOC Board)

Izumi Okutani (Japan Network Information Center)

- Academia/Civil Society
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Keisuke Kamimura (Daito Bunka University)

Keisuke Katsuki (Movements for Internet Active Users): Slides

- Business
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Tsuyoshi Kinoshita (Internet Association Japan)

Toshiaki Tateishi (Japan Internet Providers Association): Slides

3. Japan IGF and Global IGF

- Update of NRI Session: Yuri Takamatsu (NRI session speaker)
 - Next IGF-Japan event: Toshiaki Tateishi (IGF-Japan)
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4. Wrap Up

Summary:

After a general overview on key features of IGF2016, each participant from different

stakeholders shared key reflections from their perspectives.

Objective and outcome of some of the sessions organized by participants from Japan were shared:

- Open Forum “Japan” which shared key outcomes of G7 Kagawa ICT Ministerial Meeting
- A workshop session on collaborative security in the local context. The document developed by Internet Governance Conference Japan (IGCJ) has close synergies with ISOC’s Collaborative security document, which lead to organizing a joint session with ISOC.
- It was also noted that there were several contributions from Japan in sharing case studies for IPv6-BPF.
- Overview of the NRI main session was shared by the speaker at the session from Japan-IGF

Other key topics/events highlighted were:

- Giganet Symposium and study on whether expansion of new gTLDs was an adequate policy
- Youth radicalization
- Trade agreements such as Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), multistakeholder participation in trade agreement
- Encryption in news gathering activities by journalists
- Clear focus on SDG observed in 2016, with key words such as “Global South”
- Freedom of expression, how to address illegal contents
- Internet fragmentation
- Zero-rating

The following observations were made as a general reflection of IGF2016:

- New Comers Session
It was nice and considerate to have new comers’ session. At the same time, new comers to the IGF may not be always equal to beginners to the Internet Governance. It is often the case that new comers may be attending to global IGF for the first time but experts within their arena and aware of the basic internet governance concept/background and purpose of the IGF. The new comers’ session could become more useful for such new comers, if there was introduction on the highlight of the

IGF2016 program, key points of issues/themes to be covered, in addition to basic introduction about multistakholder.

- Encouragement on youth participation
 - An observation was made that several countries have governments proactively promoting youth from their countries to participate in IGF
 - A comment was expressed that a youth engagement session at the IGF2016 helped feel the need to encourage enthusiastic young generation from Japan to participate more in the global IGF

- Positive Changes from early IGF

A participant who had been regular participant to early IGF meetings and attended IGF2016 after several years gap observed several positive changes.

 - More subject matter experts, who have real expertise about a subject under discussions, compared to early days
 - The global IGF has matured enough to cover challenging yet interesting theme such as Trade Agreement and TPP
 - Nurturing young generation of participants - how IGF nurtures youth; An observation was made that a participant in youth IGF in early IGF was being a presenter at a session in IGF2016, and was contributing in discussions
 - More diversity of stakeholders observed, ranging from civil society to business, and World Economic Forum (WEF) proactively participating this time

Additional References:

Slides and Minutes of IGF2016 Readout session (In Japanese)

<http://igcj.jp/meetings/2017/0126/>

JPNIC blog on IGF2016 Readout session report (In Japanese)

<https://blog.nic.ad.jp/blog/igcj-igf2016/>