



**INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM
NATIONAL, (SUB)REGIONAL AND YOUTH IGF INITIATIVES
- Virtual Meeting IX | 29 September 2022 at 15:00 UTC -**

SUMMARY REPORT

Action Items regarding NRIs main session:

1. NRIs to continue suggesting/endorsing co-moderators and rapporteurs until 14 October 2022.
2. NRIs from Asia Pacific to express interest to speak in the session until 14 October 2022 (email can be send to NRIs Focal Point and/or NRIs list).
3. NRIs to continue confirming their delegated speakers/representatives through this form <https://forms.office.com/r/xqkZjqituq>
4. NRIs to suggest how the session proposal could be updated to reflect the aspect of 'defence'

About

1. The ninth virtual meeting of the National, Sub-regional, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs) of the IGF 2022 preparatory cycle, took place on 29 September 2022 at 15:00 UTC.
2. The meeting was hosted by the IGF Secretariat's NRIs Focal Point. The final, adopted version of the Agenda is attached to this document as Annex A1 and a list of meeting participants as Annex A2. The list of shared documents is annexed as A3.

Summary of key points

3. The Host opened the meeting by reminding everyone that the objective of the meeting is to finalize the IGF 2022 NRIs main sessions.
4. Participants focused on discussing the session's speakers designation, moderators, rapporteurs and the final wording of the title.

(i) Speakers

5. The session will have two segments: the 1st 35-min segment will engage 7 NRIs from all regions to set the scene. Each NRIs-delegated speaker should speak for no more than 5 min. Then, the second 50-min long segment will be an open floor for all NRIs delegated speakers as well as other participants to request floor and speak.
6. Through the sign-up form, which was open for close to two months, the following NRIs requested to speak during the first segment:

WHO SIGNED UP TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SPEAKING SLOT?

AFRICA	ASIA PACIFIC	EASTERN EUROPE	GRULAC	WEOG	REGIONALS
1. Nigeria IGF Name TBC	No sign-ups. To approach NRIs from the region and ask who would be interested to speak. APriGF indicated interest during the call.	1. Georgia IGF <i>Ms. Eka Kubusidze, Ministry of Economy of Georgia, ICT department head</i>	1. Panama IGF Ms. Lia Hernández 2. Colombia IGF Name TBC <i>* Brazil IGF signed up but confirmed they will speak in the second segment (Ms. Tanara Lauschner).</i>	1. Italy IGF Andrea Beccalli 2. UK IGF Nigel Hickson 3. Netherlands IGF H.E. Ms. Nathalie Jaarsma Ambassador-at-Large Security Policy & Cyber. Of the Kingdom of the Netherlands	1. North African IGF Tijani BEN JEMAA 2. LACIGF Name TBC

7. Given that the first section should be fully balanced across all main regions, and that no sign-ups were received from the Asia Pacific region, the group recommended that NRIs from the region are contacted for their expressions of interest. The deadline could be up to two weeks.
8. Georgia IGF asked the Secretariat to reach out once again to the national IGF of Ukraine regarding their participation.
9. NRIs-delegated speakers for the second segment should also be confirmed, to ensure transparency and accuracy when a person speaks on behalf of an NRIs organizing committee. The confirmations can be added to the existing form at any point in time
<https://forms.office.com/r/xqkZjqituq>

(ii) Moderators

10. The session should be co-moderated. One moderator needs to be onsite, while the second moderator can be onsite or online. Two proposals emerged on a call: Ms. Anriette Esterhuysen ([bio here](#)) for onsite moderator and Ms. Olga Cavali ([bio here](#)) for online moderator (Olga also co-moderated NRIs main session last year in Poland).
11. NRIs are invited to consider the above two proposals, suggest new candidates if any, and communicate their final endorsements in the next two weeks (until 14 October 22).

(iii) Rapporteurs

12. NRIs are invited to suggest experienced rapporteurs to cover the main session and produce a report until 14 October 2022. From Georgia IGF, the coordinator delegated one trained rapporteur associated with the Georgia Youth IGF. The session would benefit from at least 2 rapporteurs or more.

(iv) Final title

13. The working version of the title has been for several months: Safeguarding and strengthening the core principles of a trusted Internet. The Bolivia IGF coordinator suggested adding the term 'defending' to the title after the word 'safeguarding'.
14. The discussion developed around the meaning of the term and possibly redundancy in the title. There were proposals to add the term, but also to retain the original title and emphasize the 'defending' aspect in the description of the session proposal.
15. The Secretariat was asked to check on the maximum number of characters the title can contain to fit the schedule.

Update after the call: *The Secretariat confirms that the maximum number of characters a title can contain is 60 (with spaces). The original title has already 72 (screenshot below). While technical solutions are explored with our IT colleague to accommodate these extra 12 characters, please note that it is not recommended to add any additional characters for the reason stated. Therefore, the aspect of 'defending' can be added to the description as proposed by the co-organizers.*

Characters (no spaces)	63
Characters (with spaces)	72

16. Participants recommended marking the policy questions as final the way they are worded in the proposals.

Next steps regarding the main session:

17. NRIs are to continue suggesting/endorsing co-moderators and rapporteurs until 14 October 2022.
18. NRIs from the Asia Pacific to express interest to speak in the session in the next 2 weeks until 14 October 2022 (email can be sent to Anja and/or NRIs list). The NRIs as a network will then endorse one to speak in the first segment while others can speak in the second segment.
19. NRIs to continue confirming their delegated speakers/representatives through this form <https://forms.office.com/r/xqkZjqituq>
20. NRIs to suggest how the session proposal could be updated to reflect the aspect of 'defending'

Other matters:

21. Participants were also asked if the traditional NRIs coordination session should be hosted in a hybrid format from the IGF 2022 meeting in Addis Ababa.
22. The majority confirmed it should, depending on the number of NRIs present onsite.
23. The Secretariat was asked to poll NRIs who will have their onsite representatives.
24. The Secretariat will also share a few slots during which the session could be hosted.
25. Regardless of when the coordination session will be hosted, an informal gathering of NRIs should be organized in Addis during the 17th IGF.

Next Steps overall:

26. IGF Secretariat to send the action points 24 hours after the meeting; and to confirm who will participate onsite at the 17th IGF annual meeting.
27. IGF Secretariat to send a calendar invite with the next meeting details.
28. For any suggestions or questions regarding the Report, kindly contact the IGF Secretariat, NRIs Focal Point at: anja.gengo@un.org.

ANNEX A1

AGENDA: Virtual Meeting IX

1. Welcome and introductions
2. NRIs main session – finalization of policy questions, format, confirmation of speakers and endorsing (co)moderators and rapporteur(s)
3. NRIs coordination session – when to host it and planning the agenda
4. AoB

ANNEX A2

MEETING PARTICIPANTS (*in alphabetical order*¹):

1. Anja Gengo, IGF Secretariat
2. Beatriz Rossi Corrales, Brazil IGF
3. Ben Rachad Sanoussi, Ghana IGF
4. Brahim Ousmane, Chad IGF
5. Giacomo Mazzone, Italy IGF
6. Jennifer Chung, APrIGF
7. Jose Felix Hernandez-Gil, Spain IGF
8. Judith Hellerstein, IGF-USA community
9. Julián Casasbuenas, Colombia IGF
10. June Parris, Barbados IGF
11. Katarina Gevorgyan, Armenia IGF
12. Lito Ibarra, El Salvador IGF
13. Margaret Nyambura Ndung'u, PRIDA Project
14. Mars-Ares Rabindranath V. K. AGNOUN BASSO
15. Olga Cavalli, LACIGF
16. Phyo Thiri Lwin, Myanmar Youth IGF
17. Salyou Fanny, Cote d'Ivoire IGF
18. Sam Igonor, Nigeria IGF
19. Shadrach Ankrah, Ghana IGF
20. Stefan Berres, Chile IGF
21. Stephanie Teeuwen, The Netherlands IGF
22. Ucha Seturi, Georgia IGF
23. Umut Pajaro Velasquez, Youth LACIGF
24. Vinicius W. O. Santos, Brazil IGF

¹ Names indicated as participants identified in the Zoom online participation tool.

25. Zeina Bou Harb, Lebanon IGF

ANNEX A3
INPUTS

- NRIs main session proposal
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RDIS0gir9mu8G4vKvsg6F2BVWjSecqOVQcoUePrPngQ/edit>