

Global Digital Compact Multi-stakeholder Sounding Board

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Purpose: To assist the Global Digital Compact (GDC) Co-facilitators at all stages in the development of the GDC by leveraging expertise from the global IGF community; to effectively address shared priorities, identify achievable goals, and ensure comprehensive and effective implementation of the GDC.

Tasks:

- To advise on the scope, content, and structure of the GDC and related documents;
- To participate, elaborate, and advise on possible content, structure and language for the GDC, based on outputs from the annual IGF, especially the Addis Ababa 2022 and Kyoto Messages 2023, and relevant IGF intersessional work taking place throughout the year;
- To liaise between GDC Co-facilitators and the IGF community by connecting the Co-facilitators with subject matter experts active in the IGF's Working Groups, Policy Networks, Best Practice Forums and Dynamic Coalitions.
- To support a discussion of the GDC process at the IGF in Kyoto

Duration: The work of the GDC Multistakeholder Sounding Board could commence immediately upon request from the Co-facilitators, and could continue through the remaining consultations and negotiations of the GDC, or as long its expertise is needed, potentially also extending to later implementation stages of the GDC for monitoring and evaluation.

Composition:

- 10 persons from the IGF-LP: Chair, Vice-Chair and appointed members¹
- 10 persons from the IGF-MAG: MAG Chair, Host-Country Co-Chair, 8 Members of the MAG from it different stakeholder groups²
 - o 2 from civil society
 - o 2 from the Internet technical community
 - o 2 from the private sector
 - o 2 from government
- In addition, subject matter expert from the MAG and IGF community may be invited to contribute to the work of the GDC Multistakeholder Sounding Board as experts

Secretarial support: Provided by the Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Technology and/or the IGF Secretariat.

¹ A list of current LP Members can be found here: [IGF Leadership Panel Members | Internet Governance Forum \(intgovforum.org\)](https://www.intgovforum.org/IGF-Leadership-Panel-Members)

² To select the 8 members, a brief call for volunteers would be made. A list of current MAG members can be found here: [MAG 2023 Members | Internet Governance Forum \(intgovforum.org\)](https://www.intgovforum.org/MAG-2023-Members)