

Dear all,

I fully endorse the Swiss document and in particular the points mentioned below, but I think that there is one point missing that is absolutely crucial for the success of the whole project:

All the work of the IGF needs to be organized according to a multi-year plan, structured on the basis of an agenda that takes in account all multilateral and multistakeholders initiatives on IG.

More specifically, I endorse the following suggestions:

1. We look forward to the appointment of a Tech Envoy by the UNSG, as outlined in Paragraph 74 of the UNSG's Roadmap. A good collaboration between this position and the IGF community should energize the implementation of many recommendations from the UNSG Roadmap, while helping to raising the profile of the IGF. The Tech Envoy should closely liaise with the IGF, particularly the MAG and the IGF Secretariat.
2. The personal participation of the UNSG (as in 2018 and 2019 – and virtually in 2017, 2020 and 2021) as well as the personal participation of the Host Country President of Head of Government should be further enshrined as a permanent good practice, as it strengthens the profile and visibility of the IGF and its outcomes.
3. The IGF 2022, both as an event as well as its intersessional and preparatory process, should strive to serve as a key platform in the consultations to be held in relation with the "Global Digital Compact" envisaged in the UN-Secretary General's "Our Common Agenda". In addition, stronger synergies should be sought between the IGF activities and the implementation actions under the Roadmap for Digital Cooperation. In this sense, we fully endorse the MAG Chair letter sent in November 2021 to the UNSG, available under https://www.intgovforum.org/en/filedepot_download/213/20526
4. The program should be more "issue-based" than ever, with maximum three or four focus topics - all culminating in a maximum of four high-level main sessions. In addition, it should be more integrated than ever: NRI, DC, BPF, PNE should be integral part of the high-level main sessions, providing for integration of the respective intersessional groups into the corresponding four preparatory issue-groups
5. There should be a build-up during the year, with focused preparatory discussions leading to „draft messages“ to be put out for public comment and to be discussed in the high-level sessions

Best regards,

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