INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM

DYNAMIC COALITION ON ENVIRONMENT

- Virtual Meeting II | 4 May 2022 at 13:00 UTC -

SUMMARY REPORT

About

1. The second meeting of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Dynamic Coalition on the environment (DCE) was hosted on 4 May 2022 at 13:00 UTC. The meeting's purpose was to reach a consensus on the focus for the DCE work in 2022.

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 input documents is annexed as A3.

Summary of action points

3. With regard to the structure of the DCE, it was confirmed that the two co-chairs are Rainer Krug and Michael Oghia while other members are most welcome and encouraged to volunteer for other supporting roles depending on specific activities.

4. Participants exchanged views on what could be the substantive focus of DCE 2022 work, building on the suggestions added to the joint shared document. It was agreed that the group should define a unique value DCE could produce and recognized the need to differentiate between DCE and the work of other existing initiatives. Further, it was said that the DCE could be a hub for all interested in the topic. Collaboration with the networks of national and regional IGFs (NRIs) and DCs was encouraged. One of the frameworks for the DCE could be to act as an orientation map for newcomers to the field of ICTs and the environment.

5. As a possible focus, participants discussed focusing on the report of the Policy Network on Environment (PNE) and producing a summary of it, as well as conducting a mapping exercise of the report's critical topics/issues, to enable a simpler and quicker way of understanding the report's substance. There was a suggestion to also focus on tracking the impact of the PNE report for example by following how many times it was accessed online or cited etc.

6. There were suggestions to produce a map of other processes and initiatives (connected to a calendar of relevant events) as it could help the group to connect better with the existing initiatives and the community to be aware of these. Further, it was suggested that the DCE could even gather and consolidate contributions on key issues from the active members of

the network.

7. Given that the group decided to submit a proposal to host a DC session at the 17th IGF in Addis Ababa, it was concluded that the session proposal may direct the thematic focus of the group for 2022. Further, it was agreed that the members will work together on drafting the session proposal by adding inputs to a [joint shared document](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z9teVQEhCyJz3Ork54MVKvTe-AiPJG2XkNP5AEPpcdI/edit)[1]. A proposed timeline will be communicated to the mailing list to meet the deadline of the IGF 2022 Call for session proposals which is 3 June 2022. An illustrative input was shared for a possible focus of the session related to connectivity among refugees or environmental sustainability and the relationship between the Internet, human rights and the environment.

8. The meeting continued with a discussion on the possible session DCE could organize at the upcoming European IGF (EuroDIG), hosted in Trieste, Italy on 20-22 June 2022. Several participants recognized this as a good opportunity to engage with other stakeholders and promote the work of the DCE. Overall, the proposal to host an open forum-like session at EuroDIG was received well and one of the co-chairs will take this initiative further and inform the network about the next steps through the mailing list.

9. The next DCE meeting will be in four weeks' time. A doodle poll to select the best time will be sent in a few days.

ANNEX A1
Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions
2. DCE structure – two co-chairs
3. IGF 2022 DCE Action Plan
   - Main topics and objectives/activities and timeline as per inputs from the google doc
4. DCE session at IGF 2022 in Ethiopia (deadline to submit a proposal is 3 June 2022)
5. Participation at EuroDIG
6. AoB

ANNEX A2
List of participants

1. Abhayraj Naik, Azim Premji University
2. Afia Faith, Togo IGF
3. Anja Gengo, IGF Secretariat

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[1] https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z9teVQEhCyJz3Ork54MVKvTe-AiPJG2XkNP5AEPpcdI/edit

4. Cyril Caminade, The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics
5. Elif Kiesow, The Hague University of Applied Sciences
6. Florian Cortez, Wageningen University
7. Francis Olivier Cubahairo, Ghana IGF
8. Frank Anati
9. June Paris, Barbados IGF
10. Leandro Navarro, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya
11. Michael J. Oghia, Independent expert; DC on Sustainability of Journalism and News Media
12. Minda Moreira, Internet Rights and Principles Coalition
13. Rainer Krug, University of Zürich
14. Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Guidelines Development Group; DC on Internet and Jobs
15. Shawna Finnegan, Association for Progressive Communications
16. Smriti Lohia, DC on Internet and Jobs
17. Stefan Berres, Chile IGF
18. Yara S

ANNEX A3
Input documents

- Collection of action points
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1WytqlsDfOO_W0dguGhPWCnVMux7iWPhcrAqcTNBztrw/edit