

**IGF Leadership Panel  
Virtual Meeting  
18 June 2024 | 12:00-13:00 UTC**

The [Internet Governance Forum \(IGF\) Leadership Panel](#) met virtually in plenary on 18 June. The purpose of the call was to discuss the [Revision 1 Draft of the UN Global Digital Compact \(GDC\)](#) ahead of a consultation with stakeholders on the draft on 21 June. The Panel briefly discussed the Internet We Want (IWW) framework and its planned engagements around the Summit of the Future in September 2024 in New York.

**Decisions, Action Items & Next Steps**

- In discussing the GDC Rev.1 Draft and activities related to the Compact, the Panel agreed the following:
  - The draft should recognize the IGF’s role in all digital and emerging technologies rather than just Internet governance, as currently written.
  - It should prevent duplication of efforts with and acknowledge existing UN digital governance mechanisms, particularly those in Geneva, to avoid a “fragmented” governance landscape.
  - Establishing the readiness of the IGF in the context of the GDC will require redoubled efforts on financial support to the Forum and measurement of its concrete outcomes.
  - A coalition of support to the IGF from member states should be strengthened, leveraging former host countries, member state representation on the Panel itself, and the IGF National and Regional Initiatives (NRIs).
  - The Panel Chair, Vint Cerf, would prepare a video message to be delivered at the GDC stakeholder consultations on 21 June, incorporating the points made by Members during this meeting.
  
- On next steps for the IWW framework, including its relationship to the GDC, it was agreed:
  - The next iteration of the framework the Panel will receive will reflect the synergies between IWW and GDC.
  - The paper will be developed as an IGF reporting framework, including KPI’s.
  
- Concerning its upcoming engagements around the Summit of the Future (22-23 September), the Panel:
  - Heard an offer from Vice-Minister Yoshida of Japan to approach the Japanese foreign ministry about the possibility of hosting an IGF-focused side event at the Summit.
  - Agreed it would not meet in New York as a full Panel, unless such a side event were organized, and would continue to pursue individual engagement opportunities and coordinate with other Members where possible.

## **Annex – Attendance**

### **Panel Members**

Mr. Vint Cerf, Chair  
Mr. Hatem Dowidar  
Ms. Lise Fuhr  
Ms. Maria Fernanda Garza  
Ms. Carol Roach  
Mr. 'Gbenga Sesan  
Mr. Lan Xue  
Mr. Hiroshi Yoshida

### *Panel Advisors, Representatives & Support Persons*

Ms. Amal A. Alawdah  
Ms. Meni Anastasiadou  
Ms. Angela Coriz  
Ms. Isabelle Hassler  
Mr. Robert Middlehurst

### *Regrets*

Mr. Toomas Hendrik Ilves  
Mr. Amandeep Singh Gill  
Mr. Belete Molla  
Ms. Maria Ressa

### **IGF Secretariat**

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