INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM
POLICY NETWORK ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
Meeting VI | 6 September 2023 at 14:00-15:30 UTC

SUMMARY REPORT

Action items:

- All remaining drafting teams will finalize their report chapters.
- Everyone is encouraged to review and share remaining comments to the full PNAI report draft when it comes available. In addition, all PNAI community members are welcome to share the Consultation link and invitation in their networks.
- Please add remaining speaker suggestions for PNAI’s session at IGF 2023 Annual meeting to the Google document by 8.9.
- The next PNAI meeting will take place on Wednesday 26.9.2023 at 13:00-14:30 UTC. Registration is open through the PNAI website.

1. The sixth virtual meeting of the Policy Network on Artificial Intelligence (PNAI) took place on 6th September 2023 at 14:00-15:30 UTC.

2. The meeting was hosted by the two MAG facilitators of the PNAI and the IGF Secretariat’s PNAI Consultant. The final 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. It includes the documents shared with the attendees prior to the meeting, presentations, as well as links shared by the drafting team leads during the meeting.

3. The hosts opened the sixth PNAI meeting. The main goal of the meeting was to discuss the status of the PNAI report and prepare for the open consultation that will be held to invite the wider IGF community to comment of the draft PNAI report. MAG facilitators described the report progress. They thanked all the volunteers who have contributed to creating the report. The timeline towards the IGF 2023 Annual meeting is very tight, and it is important that all drafting teams do their best to reach the agreed 7.9. deadline for chapter contributions. There needs to be time left for proofreading and editing. The chapter on global interoperability of AI governance is already finalized.

4. The process to deliver the PNAI report will continue to follow the jointly agreed methodology and timeline. The last milestones in September include the deadline for the drafting teams’ work on 7.9. The draft report should be ready on 11.9. and the open consultation to gather feedback
and comments is planned between 12.19. The edited report will be finalized by 21.9. in time for the IGF 2023 Annual meeting 8.12.10.

5. The purpose of the open consultation is to invite the wider community to comment on the draft report. The report will be edited based on the comments. All PNAI community members were encouraged to share the consultation link and invitation when it becomes available. The consultation invitation will be shared through PNAI’s mailing list and IGF mailing lists and promoted in social media.

6. Prof. Dr. Arshin Adib-Moghaddam, Co-Director SOAS Centre for AI Futures, shared about the research carried out in his organizations for example to assess how AI affects communities in the global South, how it is perceived. He described his approach of AI as subjective social construction and draw connections between of enlightenment and discrimination and racism in AI algorithms today. Active discussion ensued, attendee questions included topics such as orientalism still impacting biases in AI and practical solutions to decolonize AI.

7. Gayan Peiris and Yasmine Hamdar from the UNDP Chief Digital Office driving digital transformation. For UNDP, digitalization is a mindset and key enabler. The speakers described UNDP supports public services and Governments in accelerating AI adoption. Over 30 AI projects include strategic discussions for Governments to develop a national AI strategy, or a data governance strategy to get the ethical AI right. AI readiness assessment focuses on the Government’s readiness to ethically capitalize on the benefits of AI. Meeting attendees asked about selecting the countries to take part in AI readiness assessment and other UNDP supported AI activities, the selection is based on earlier digital readiness assessment.

8. The final agenda point before closing was a discussion on PNAI session for IGF 2023 Annual Meeting in October. The concept is finalized and the speaker invitations should be sent out as soon as possible. The title of the 90-minute panel discussion is “Global AI governance and questions of gender, race and environment: How to turn recommendations into action?”. All participants were encouraged to suggest questions to be posed to the panelists through a Google document. The questions should build on the PNAI report recommendations. A separate working meeting will be organized to make decisions and advance with the speaker invitations.

**Other and next steps**

9. All remaining drafting teams will finalize their report chapters.

10. All attendees were encouraged to review and share remaining comments to the full PNAI report draft when it comes available in the coming weeks. All PNAI community members are welcome to share the Consultation link and invitation in their networks.

11. The Google document to gather speaker suggestions for PNAI’s session at IGF 2023 Annual meeting is still open for edits and ideas until 8.9.

12. A meeting summary, materials and presentations will be shared through the PNAI mailing list.
13. The next PNAI meeting will take place on Wednesday 26.9.2023 at 13:00-14:30 UTC. Registration is open through the PNAI website.

14. Suggestions on experts who could be invited as speakers to the next PNAI meetings can be shared with Maikki Sipinen (maikki.sipinen@un.org).

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ANNEX A1
AGENDA, PNAI Meeting V

1. Opening

2. PNAI report, status and preparations for the open consultation
   Amrita Choudhury and Audace Niyonkuru, PNAI facilitators

3. Expert presentations
   Prof. Dr. Arshin Adib-Moghaddam, Co-Director SOAS Centre for AI Futures
   Gayan Peiris and Yasmine Hamdar, UNDP
   
   Presentations by the invited experts, questions and comments from the drafting teams and other attendees

4. PNAI session for IGF 2023 Annual Meeting
   Please see meeting materials for links to the session concept and a document to suggest panel discussion questions

5. Next steps

6. Closing and any other business

ANNEX A2
MEETING PARTICIPANTS (in alphabetical order):

1. Arshin Adib-Moghaddam
2. Teki Akuetteh
3. Muriel Alapini
4. Mohd Asyraf Zulkifley
5. Eric Botts
6. Jennifer Bramlette
7. Swati Bute
8. Celine Caira
9. Titti Cassa
10. Lucien Castex

1 Names indicated as participants identified in the Zoom online participation tool.
11. Ying Chu Chen
12. Yik Chan Chin
13. Amrita Choudhury
14. Jin Cui
15. Sook-Jung Dofel
16. Bunmi Durowoju
17. Arisa Ema
18. Nicola Fabiano
19. Rosanna Fanni
20. Ciro Eduardo Ferreira
21. Stefan Fischer
22. Marianne Franklin
23. Juan Manuel García
24. Anja Gengo
25. Nadia Gervacio
26. Marta González
27. Yasmine Hamdar
28. Judith Hellerstein
29. Maha Jouini
30. Yoojin Kim
31. Sipora Margaret Komol
32. Caitlin Kraft-Buchman
33. Esther Kunda
34. Ching-Yi Liu
35. Ramyaa M
36. Tiago Martins
37. Sergio Mayo
38. Scott McCallum
39. Mubarek Mohammed
40. Nobuhisa Nishigata
41. Audace Niyonkuru
42. Oluseyi Oyebisi
43. June Parris
44. Gayan Peiris
45. Tricia Puckerin
46. Abdullah Qamar
47. Dikchya Raut
48. Carol Roach
49. Ricardo Israel Robles Pelayo
50. Claudia Roda
51. Ayobangira Safari
52. Jesus Sanchez
53. Eleanor Sarpong
54. Brian Scarpelli
55. Lokendra Sharma
56. JP Singh
57. Maikki Sipinen
58. Dr. Dédé Tetsubayashi
59. Mary Uduma
60. Carolin Weisser Harris

ANNEX A3
SHARED DOCUMENTS

Meeting presentation

Draft concept for the PNAI session at IGF 2023 Annual meeting + Link to gather written comments and speaker suggestions
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1azhwL4OEg3dkmY1_NU5olws4DzHYchf8C3tb9F0MgVE/edit?usp=sharing
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fXA5PON4tX9ZSV1AJMUGMDWkx9e4zLomTZw-RupoWwo/edit?usp=sharing

Link to the current draft of the PNAI report chapter on AI and Race/Gender
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1A_F0kJ-a2oFprZyhH6_pWpmQlWGHcSBg8PvQUYVHjI/edit

Video link shared by Professor Adib-Moghaddam
https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=OFnuGpjLBlw