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>> Hello, everyone. I believe we can start in 5 minutes
>> RAJENDRA PRATAP GUPTA: Yes, please.
>> MARKUS KUMMER: Hello, everyone. Markus here. Still
a few moments to go until the 30 mark.
>> Hi, Markus.
>> MARKUS KUMMER: Good to see you on the call. Let's
wait a few more minutes before we get started.
>> Hello, everyone. Let's just wait for a couple more
minutes.
>> MARKUS KUMMER: Hello, en. Markus here again. As
Ramon said, let's wait a couple minutes for people to join. We

have 9 people on the call, and I presume more will join., at least I hope so.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Good afternoon. All.

>> Hello.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Well, it's one minute over the set starting time, but I think we can get started and take it slowly.

Roman, thank you, you have sent out a draft agenda. That's the first agenda item. Can you kindly show it either in the chat or on the screen. The first agenda item is adoption of the proposed draft agenda.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: In the chat.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: It's fairly standard. It's essentially about our activities and participation in the IGF 24 in December in Riald. Comments or suggestions for amendments? Also, in you have anything you wish to bring up on any other business. I see Wout's hand up. Over to you.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Yes. Thank you, Markus. As you'll be aware that I sent suggestions for research into the Dynamic Coalition's future, and that will be on the discussion with MacJ and the Secretariat, so I would like to be able to discuss it this time because last time I didn't get the invite to the meeting, and I have to leave in an hour because of schedule conflicts, so it would be good if possible to do that the end of the hour.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: But, actually -- part of agenda item meeting with IGF 24, or would that be separate.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: The outcome will be part of that. It's not officially that agenda point, I think, what would you prefer.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: My preference would be collapse the two so we have a prepared agenda.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Okay and then I'll have to leave an hour from now. Thank you.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Amend and adopt the agenda as proposed.

As I don't see or hear any objections, I presume that the agenda is adopted as proposed with the suggestion by Wout which would be that we focus the meeting with the MAG and discuss the future of the dynamic coalitions and how they fit into the IGF universe. Thank you for that.

Then we go to agenda item number 2, it's the IGF 24 DC main session. We have a concept paper that has been with us for quite a while. We did ask for feedback and input, and we received, actually, very limited feedback. There was one MAG member, and is he -- not MAG member but DC member. I don't

think I see him on the call. It was Rual who made very extensive comments, but they were essentially more of an editorial nature. This is appreciated. It's always 6 eyes or 10 eyes see more than 2 eyes, but I think sort of the editorial aside, we can leave it in the safe hands of the Secretariat, and Roman knows thousand draft a paper.

But my point is while this is welcome, but please refrain from going too much into the granularity of the editorial writing, whether it's low caps or big caps or commas and semi colons. That I think we can leave to the Secretariat.

With that, I think as it was such energetic input, I would take advantage of the energy and propose him to be part of the group that produces the final output of what goes -- the final program descriptions for the main session. But he's not on the call here, but that brings us to a need, again, of a core team that provides the input into what will be the session description.

And our agenda, are we still accepting suggestions? We have times, but we have to finalize.

>> RAJENDRA PRATAP GUPTA: I'll do it by tomorrow morning my time. I'll do it by tomorrow morning, my name. I'll make the suggestions within 24 hours.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Well, okay. I mean it's well beyond the deadline, but okay we are generous, as you know.

>> RAJENDRA PRATAP GUPTA: Thank you.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: We would -- I would suggest keeping the same basic rule that if we do have a team, and that shapes the session and you are part of the team, you cannot be speakers at the main session. That's the basic rule to keep that as we had it in the past.

And as one person who was very active and constructive of preparing the DC main sessions in the past, Marcovel is not on the call and he also asked us to provide his excuse that he has other commitments, so he's not joining us on the call, but that does not signal a lack of interest.

>> Markus, just please inform us which Dynamic Coalition is Rual, I don't find that in the document.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: I think Rual is one of the health-based dynamic coalitions. Anyone, Roman, do you have his affiliation.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: Indeed, part of the DC on digital -- data-driven digital health technology and also of the youth coalition.

>> Thank you.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: He's a dynamic young person. Thank you, Jutta. I mean I proposed to Jua, that was my suggestion.

If you have somebody willing to provide input, let's take advantage of their energy and enthusiasm. And as you, Jutta, as the co-moderator and you have also been very active, and my other suggestion would be -- we have not discussed that in advance, and my apologies for throwing that on to you, but my suggestion would be also to ask you to be part of the core team of planning for the main session. You don't have to say yes if you need time to reflect on that, but if you're ready to accept it right now, and always assuming that the rest of the coordination group will agree with that. But I think you have proved in the past that you are, A, very sensible, and B, very productive, and C, that you actually deliver. So I think we will be in safe hands if you kept your hand over the preparing of the main session. I'm sorry, and again apologies for throwing that on to you without any preparation.

>> JUTTA CROLL: Thank you, Markus, for your trust in my cape capabilities. I think if we have these two suggestions, it would be good if Jua and I get in contact to speak to each other and then I will be ready to accept the task, yes.

>> Judith, a comment in the chat that Dcad is happy to be part of the main session, and Rajendra.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Okay, so we would already have -- I mean Jutt a's acceptance is conditional upon her meeting with Rua but we have a core team with Rajendra, Jutta, Dcad -- to me I think that would be quite a good mix, and also a reasonable geographic and sender balance. I'm not saying that will be the final group. I would call it rather an open-ended group. Obviously, you don't want 20 people to be part of such a group, but if it's four or five or six, it doesn't make that much of a difference.

Okay, Rajendra already has a concrete proposal, a fortnightly update call. My suggestion would be also that Roman, on behalf of the Secretariat, should be part of this coordination call of preparing the main session.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: With pleasure.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: You're most welcome. Any other comments on that?

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Markus, this is Wou it, a short question, did I understand it right, that it is not possible to give comments to the Google Doc anymore? Because as I said already, somewhat during the holiday I was kicked off the DCCG list and I only found that out for certain when the last DCCG call was on the 10th of September that I didn't know that it was happening. So I never have seen this before, so is it still possible to read through and give comments or not?

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Well, we already gave Ranendra the

option to make comments and he promised to be back to us tomorrow morning, so the question is when you will -- we cannot give you a more, you know, it's 24 hours or 48 hours. The question is, by when would you be able to provide your comments.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Tomorrow morning.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Okay. Well let's give another 24 hours then for people on the call. Okay, for people who can provide comments. And then finally, then Roman will wrap it up, the document. Then we'll consider it to be final-final. All we need to do is -- (Speaking off mic).

With that can we move on? Or more questions and suggestions?

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: From my side in terms of organization, I would propose that by the end of this week we finalize the core group for those who are excited to be coordinating the main session preparation.

And maybe until next Friday, we should have a meeting to focus on working with the document, which we are going to finalize by that moment, so please if there are no objection, I will be able to follow up by the end of the week to see if we have a final cohort of those going to volunteer and we'll set up a meeting for next Thursday or Friday.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you very much. That sounds very constructive. Just one thing the core group, the concept paper is essentially a paper of the coordination group as such, and that I think from Rajendra -- (audio breaking up) -- but my suggestion would be to separate the two processes that we then submit that to the coordination group for final approval butted on your tidying up with all the inputs, and can he keep the meeting of the core group separate, but that would be extremely welcome if this core group could then meet next week, maybe a week from now or Wednesday or Thursday or so on next week and really get started on rolling up their sleeves and preparing the nitty-gritty of the main session.

Would that meet the group's approval? Again, I turn it over to my co-facilitator, Jutta, as I pushed her into the function of being part of the core group, which she conditionally accepted based on her potential contacts with Jau, and whether I would like to push that more into Jutta's field if she agrees from our joint facilitating of this group, it would be more into --

(coughing).

>> JUTTA CROLL: Thank you, Markus. Being conditional is not a high barrier. It's just that I haven't spoken to Jua. If I'm not mistaken, I'm not sure if it's the person I'm

thinking about or not, so I just need to have an idea of which person that is and then I would withdraw my condition, and I'll be happy to be part of the preparatory group.

I'm not sure whether we can already have a look on the dates for next week because, definitely Rua should then be available and be part of the meeting that we proposed for next or maybe the week after next week. But still we have some time to go, but we shouldn't -- we should keep the loose ends together as soon as possible.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you for that. Can I then maybe ask Roman to put Jutta in touch also with Jua. And again, he may not be interested anymore, he made some comments, but I just thought if there was a person who was willing to provide input, let's take advantage of somebody who has, obviously, interest and energy to work toward this. Obviously, we haven't asked him whether he would be willing or have the capability to do it or not. We can leave that up, but I take it that Jutta will be part of the team, and we will see, Roman will help you to get in touch with Jua.

Okay. With that --

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: So just to wrap it up, so tomorrow by the end of the day, I will clean up the document after all the edits from the team who promised to do it by tomorrow morning. Then I will send it out to the whole list for final remarks. Let's say on Thursday we can set up a meeting for either next Thursday or already some day of the week next week. Okay.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Correct. Sounds like a precise summing up of our discussions. Thank you very much. So we can move to the next agenda item, that will be the famous booth we're planning to have here. I know he cannot stay with us for the whole -- in the nitty-gritty of the annual organization of the meeting. Can you update us of where we are?

>> Yes, of course, Markus. So when it comes to the booth, the next steps will be the creation of a brochure, and it will be done by the Secretariat. But, of course, we'll be asking for your inputs. The idea is to give a nice overview of DCs and, of course, also to get potential new DC members during the week of the IGF. That's why we're having the Dynamic Coalition joint booth together.

So Roman will be preparing a brochure, and I would say that as soon as there is already a draft, we can then share it together with all of the Dynamic Coalitions for any input or suggestions.

This is also a brochure that will be printed and that we can, of course, also use in the next coming months for advocacy purposes. Thank you very much.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: So just to kind of, how to say it, to make sure that our expectations are the same, so by brochure, Celene means a very short document, like several pager, with basically a description of the DC work. And what I would propose to add there is names of all DCs and QR codes with the pages to their documents and activities so that it might be useful to have at least one printed in the booth so each newcomer can scan the QR code of the DC they're interested in and of course we'll prepare printouts for people to take with them which they can further explore.

But, basically, please just share some ideas if you think that something else may and should be there. As of now, it's just the descriptions with some highlights of the DC activities and the total list with the easy-to-process QR codes so people can not type links but quickly check the content.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you for that. It will be your creative juices in high demand, I think. It will be very much your job to provide it and my reaction is I think, the shorter the better. The attention span of the average person this day in age, you know, my original idea was maybe a two-pager, but that may be, indeed too short because we have so many dynamic coalition and even if you have a QR code for each of them, it takes up space. But let's keep it short and snappy, and again, then that's the challenge to make it also as attractive as possible graphically and not just the usual UN language word salad. We all are in favor of peaceful future and whatever. Just make it attractive, and also to, A, attract newcomers to individual dynamic coalition but, B, also stimulate newcomers to create their own Dynamic Coalition. So it's, I think, two-fold objective, and there may be more. But your input, guys, is welcome and whatever you think should be there. And as Roman said, by providing links to your website with a QR code, it's also up to you to make your website or subwebsite on the IGF website as attractive and interesting as possible.

Are there comments or suggestions? I see there is a comment on the chat.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: A comment from Denis.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Denis, it's quite a long comment, why don't you take the floor.

>> AMADO: Do I have a comment, Markus. This is -- I suggest that if you can add, because we need to join -- to join a DC, to write -- I don't know, inside of the core or is there a possibility to make, as Markus mentioned, for people to be able to join and even options for the brochure, that would be great. I mean if somebody has needs to learn a little bit more about the DC, they can do it right now on the brochure.

Thanks.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you. And Olivier made a comment which is a valuable comment. We actually want people to stimulate new dynamic coalitions as we have so many already, and yes there is some potential overlap, already existing overlap between dynamic coalition but that's indeed a high-level question. And I don't have the answer to that. That is something -- but it's something worthwhile discussing. Are we happy to be in our little bubble of existing dynamic coalitions, or do we see the dynamic coalitions as a valuable tool for engaging in the IGF universe and making a contribution to possible solutions to existing problems. That's almost a philosophical question that I'm not sure that we can solve that quickly and easily, but again, it's an open question. And Dennis, you had a question whether you had a schedule for the booth. I don't think we have that yet. And you also had the lengthy comment, if you're in a position to speak, please you would be most welcome to make your --

>> DENNIS: I'm in a bit of a noisy space. I hope you can hear me. Thank you for the time. The question about the schedule has been answered. I think the other question, too, what we did in the past is bring materials to the booth and distribute that, coalition, documents, including the charter, and we have translations including in Arabic, and in the past we've, I think, we've actually sent stuff directly to the venue because we weren't sure whether, and that was in the past I think in Turkiye, for example, whether the documents would actually reach or could actually be brought so easily by everyone who would want to bring them.

So, I think Celene, I'm not sure who it was, but I think was telling me to contact her via email, which I will do, so maybe we can just send materials there and pick them up on the premises, because I think -- well, qualified relative immunity of delegates extends only to the premises of the IGF, if I'm not mistaken.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Words spoken or written within the premises are under protected -- so there and I think in the past every host country has respected -- this is part of the host country agreement. Now, what happens outside of the premises is not covered by the host country agreement as such. Whoever participates in the IGF, will have a badge issued by the UN, and I think you should feel fairly safe there. But the -- we had some, shall I say, minor incidents, I do remember in 2009, one group put up some posters which clearly referred to what happens in one country, and that country objected to that, so but I mean this is not a major issue as such, you

know. You cannot be held responsible for whatever is said or written and distributed under the UN premises.

>> DENNI: Thank you for the comment. I'll be reaching out to Celine to make sure we can send things directly there and pick it up there and have the things directly on the premises directly.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: The logistics, yes. Other questions?

>> RAJENDRA PRATAP GUPTA: Markus, I have a comment on the one pager, a excellent idea. Every year I see that we'll always become better and more valuable for the attendees and for the dynamic coalitions and the contributions, so there is one pager, if you limit to 250 words and give them a template, this is like the fields that you need have, name, QR code, rather than activities and contributions, if you have been there for a year, that means we'll push more people to contribute rather than saying what we would do. That's one way of making that people start thinking about the contributions and showcasing them on this one-pager. That's all. Thank you.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you. Well, that's been up also to Roman whether he wants to create a template for the input. But a two-pager may, indeed, be too ambitious. Just if you are a QR code for all the dynamic coalitions, it's -- two-pager.

Also, we need to, if the Secretariat has enough leeway to make it as attractive as possible, and there you may need more space to make it visually attractive. So, yes, the objective will be for Roman to keep it as short as possible, but at the same time to give the information that is needed.

So, and honestly, I cannot sort of say in the abstract how much is the minimum that you need to do justice to all of the dynamic coalitions. I think you will see that as you develop the document, and you can always come back and ask for guidance and input and see it as an iterative process.

That brings us then to a deadline. Should it be finished -- the old UN rule was documents should be finished, there was a six-week rule, I think, six weeks before the meeting.

That's I think not the case for all the input into the main sessions or whatever, but you know the meeting is coming closer and closer, and there is not that much time left. For if we have it ready by one month before the meeting, that will be six weeks from now, correct?

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: It's not really big deal to make it. At the same time, if you have some high expectation in sense of design, then we would need some support from the DC members, if someone has good illustrative skills or you have some teammates to volunteer, so please reach out to me. Of course, I will put

some of my experience in visual graphics, but it's also good to have some professional help. If not, it's going to be very modest document. Then it is up to each DC section on the website to be as informative as possible, since the QR codes are there.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Yes. I'm sure can you do it. But it still needs to be done. There is a lot of nitty-gritty work of collecting the documents. Can we have itself a notion of a deadline by maybe mid-november for that document?

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: Yes, I think that's fair enough.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Okay. If you have to print it and send it in advance maybe, is it all takes time. Obviously, you can take it in your suitcase when you go.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: No, please, let's print it all at the venue.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Whatever, yeah. It all needs to be organized. Yes. Then a notion of a deadline that it will be ready by mid-november and let's hope that we can produce it by then. Jiewt jiewt Markus, Olivier raised his hand and I want to comment on what he wrote in the chat. So probably Olivier, you go first.

>> OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, thank you very much. I mentioned a nonnotification of more and more dynamic coalitions. Not because I don't want more topics to be discussed but let's say when there were 10 it was very easy for people to navigate and say that's the different topics that we have. With more dynamic coalitions now, one feedback I have received from some participants is that there is such a range of choices, it's a bit overwhelming.

Now, maybe we need to rearrange that this is presented or have better organization of it maybe in subthemes or something so people can find dynamic coalitions they're interested in more easily than having them in order at the moment. That was what I was interested in saying. And of course getting people already involved in already existing coalitions I think should be a priority over the creation of further coalitions that are then, you know, that kind of fragment the intersessional work, which I have a bit of a concern of. Thank you.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: Thanks, Olivier. If I may quickly comment. Markus, remember it's something that I shared also when we first discussed this DC blog or my responsibilities since newcomer to the DC process, even though I served on the MAG for several years, I still have not fully understanding of what all the DCs are doing because there are obviously too many of them. And one of my proposals to Markus was that each month, maybe of course after the manual meeting to allow more

time for preparation, but each month we have some thematic cluster online webinar of several DCs presenting themselves and their ideas, and this would raise awareness within the community, within the MAG, within the DCs, and it can also promote, and I believe this is how we can actually promote the IGF and our work. I would be happy also to draft some plan of such activities, and in the meantime and thank you for Olivier for raising it because with all of this routine work, creative ideas are usually being forgotten, and thanks for reminding me because really, again, as newcomer, I also it's very hard to navigate. Maybe even in that brochure, I don't know how possible to, but for me the ideal case scenario would be to have the description already categorized list of DCs in terms of thematic cluster. I understand it may be hard. But we're speaking of ideal way. And then maybe list of scheduled events for the in next year of this DC webinars. That would be super good. If somebody is ready to help me with this, because it would require some administrative communication, then it's a kind of best case. Medium case to just have it, and worst-case to have nothing. But I think not an option.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you for your suggestions and your enthusiasm is very much welcomed by all the DCs on the call. I think, yes, we discussed this and I think it also very much relates to Olivier's remarks that maybe presenting the DCs in clusters rather than alphabetical order, and we made a first start when he looked at how they relate to the various themes of DC that would create more easier access to vast potential of the DCs.

But again the question that Oliver raised is a deep philosophical question of whether we want to have more of the same and create maybe more -- you know, we have the health-related DCs, two of them, when you ask why don't you merge. They say oh, no, it's totally different. And it may be obvious to them why it's different, but it may not be obvious to the person who looks at it from the outside. That will be part, I think, also of the challenge of preparing this document. Jutta.

>> JUTTA CROLL: Yes. I also wanted to comment on the suggestion or thoughts from Oliver. Because I do think and we learned that from Sorine's study on the Dynamic Coalition history from the beginning of when they started. They are a very important format, and especially from my point of view, I think it's always a dynamic coalition that is picking up a certain issue and aspect that might come and might be evolving but not yet there on the agenda. So we would need to have a strategy to keep the possibility to set a new dynamic

coalitions. We need to keep that open, definitely.

I would suggest that we set up a special call or meeting maybe during the Internet Governance Forum when we have gathered the experience of the match coalition meeting that we will have in the IGF 2024 because it was obvious that there were not enough slots, so several have come together. Also, they may not be in the same topical area, but still they're found together to have their joined session at the IGF.

So, we can definitely learn from this procedure, from this exercise how dynamic coalitions fit together or whether they are all the 23 are completely different and separate, and then afterwards we could continue with this definitely philosophical debate, but as probability it will be kind of a, it will not be an easy debate, but everybody knows that we need to find a structure of how we can deal with this overwhelming number of dynamic coalitions on the one hand, and still the need to have an option to form a new one if something new is evolving and is very important and topical, so I would postpone the whole debate after this year's IGF when we have more experiences in our collaboration.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you for that. I definitely would agree -- (audio breaking up) --

I think the idea is the clusters -- and at the same time I think it's also important to keep the option open because there may also be new emerging issues or new themes and it's a very democratic bottom-up aspect which is really, I think quite unique to the IGF, that anybody interested to come up with some like-minded colleagues and to form a dynamic coalition it's a very innovative format, and I think there is great merit in keeping this option open. But then again, I think it is a debate also for the future, and Roman's suggestion of also we had is discussed also earlier that we should also have substantive meetings where we don't just discuss process and procedures but we allow DCs to provide an overview of their activities, and maybe a group or cluster of DCs to work and present their activities.

I noticed just this week there is an invitation for a meeting of Policy Network, is it on AI? They have a webinar, and I think that's a excellent idea. I think we should also use maybe similar formats and don't just discuss our activities leading up to the annual meeting, but we actually provide overview of our activities throughout the year. Are there any comments on these issues? Olivier, as you started the discussion, are you happy with the way it's going?

>> OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Markus. I think the conscious approach we're doing, yes, we don't want

a barrier to new DCs being created if there are indeed new topics or other ways to look at a topic, and we certainly want to be like the Internet, no barrier to innovation, definitely. But I do also think that with the more DCs that we have it's harder for people to navigate it and find their way through. It starts to become confusing because of some of the overlaps between the DCs.

Now, of course, these DC, you know, you can be a member of as many DCs as you want to be, but sometimes people think less is more so they'd rather do less in one or two rather than being involved in more than one or two. So that's a few things that we need to think about.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you. Less is more is always a very sound policy advice, and also advice in terms of design and aesthetics. Less can be more.

With that, can we move on to the next agenda item, which is then the meeting planned with the MAG. Roman, can you --

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: , so yeah, there is nothing really much to talk about here. We have proposed in the most recent MAG calls a meeting, we do not have any substantive feedback, but in terms of organization, we believe that such a meeting could happen on the day zero. This is what we internally already plan to schedule, so in terms of organization this is it. So in terms of further updates, this is it. But in terms of substance of what we can discuss, again, I would refer to the ideas that we just discussed as many people don't understand the work of the DCs and the MAG. I can assure you of this because I was one of those MAG members who also did for the really understand what was going on. I'm sorry about that, but you know to be open.

And I'm sure that by involving more MAG members to the work of the DCs we can ensure more synergies not only for the annual meeting itself, but also the intersessional work and including those thematic webinars which we are talking about. And of course, with the MAG members participation we can reach more visibility based on the spreading the links to the such webinars throughout the network. I believe this should be one of the topics of our discussion.

So, first of the goals is to better represent the DCs in front of the MAG with many newcomers to the MAG to those who have no particular understanding of what is the dynamic coalition but this is first and second of how to get MAG involved into the DC's international work, and I'm sure that there is also something else to discuss, but substantively I just wanted to focus on that.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you for that. What you said

about the lack of understanding of MAG members, and you said from your perspective as a former MAG member. I think we had in this year and the previous year we had during the MAG meeting in June, a given opportunity to actually discuss in terms of substance what the DCs were doing. I think that's helped a lot. Personally, I had a lot of positive feedback of these information sessions.

Now, is there any new MAG members other than Judith? We have signaled we would we would like one, but we still haven't been given one. I'm not sure that will happen before Reyad as time is actually rather short and people are very focused on preparing the various sessions, but this is something definitely which will be on the agenda. There is Wout's suggestion of what do we actually put of the MAG meeting and Wout's suggestion is, again, would you maybe come in again and explain how we see it, but it was essentially the future of DCs in the broader IGF context. Correct.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Thank you, Markus. I'll make a short comment before that because I won't make any other business, it's that my DC is not able because of the new configuration to present the two major outcomes because it doesn't fit the slots. In other words, we've prepared a video that we can't show, we've done research for over a year that we can't present, that's the outcome of the new configuration of DCs. I think that is extremely worrying.

But that aside as I don't have much time left, what I have proposed to the organization that funds me that makes it possible for me to be in these sort of sessions and strategic working group of the IGF, et cetera, I propose that we look into Dynamic Coalitions in a different way. They agreed so that I have the time and the option to do this.

That is to explain where this comes from and what I propose is that we've been discussing the integration and recognition of work and appreciation of the work for the past about three years in this Dynamic Coalition coordination group. Although things are obviously changing, it has not led to concrete results at this point in time. So, I propose we do research into what exactly the dynamic coalitions do, what they propose to do, what desires are, wishes are, so that we have a clear view because many DCs are not present on these calls so we don't even know if they're active, we don't know what their wishes are, how they want to present themselves, et cetera. On the other hand, we also hear some DCs saying that we don't want any integration and interference and we're just happy to meet once a year and then share our experiences, and that is all fine about us.

So, I have prepared a questionnaire for the DCs and also for the MAG, exactly what you said Roman, what do they know about DC, and what is their expectation. Once we have these results, we can discuss them with not only the MAG but as the leadership panel with the IGF Secretariat and maybe even UNDESA to also discuss the consequences of what DC ambitions are. Because if the Secretariat can't handle extra work, then it's all nice if we ask for it, but who is going to deliver the work.

On the other hand, the MAG is not interested in any way what DCs do and that doesn't change after this meeting, then we can demand and ask for a lot of things but then they're not going to happen.

So, in other words, this research is looking into the DCs, it's going to look into the MAG, going to interview some people, and then come up with a final result after the IGF that's presented at the first open MAG meeting, is the idea, to discuss it with Carol as MAG chair and there looking at the questions they've received recently and that is how we proceed. That is the status of that so we have a clear overview of where DCs are and also what the consequences are, et cetera. That is the idea behind it. Most likely everybody will get this questionnaire in their inbox over the coming weeks.

If there are any questions, please do, I think I have to leave in five minutes because I have an external call which I have to take.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Thank you for that. It sounds very ambitious, but my first reaction is that we've done all of this work.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: I'm sorry?

>> MARKUS KUMMER: We've done all of this work, four years ago we had a quite comprehensive research into the -- four years ago, and an update may be necessary, but we do have a very comprehensive paper that was then produced by Sorina who at the time worked for the Secretariat. I was chairing the process. So, we have used this paper as very much a basis for coordination, it did not have recommendations as such, but it had a lot of issues to be explored, and my concern again is not the other duplication but my suggestion would be if you undertake this work that you very closely align yourself to what has already been done in the past, that you look at -- it was a very good paper, it has asked lots of reasonable questions and many of the questions relate to how do we integrate the DCs into the broader work.

Now, has there been progress made? On certain fields, yes, but lots more needs to be done. But my strong suggestion

would be to take this paper as the basis for your work and build on it. It was the result of, precisely the questionnaire sent out to dynamic coalition had a process, we discussed it in the coordination group, and it was very, very broad support from the DC community. It's not the final word by no means, but you know let's build on this what we already have and take it further. That would be my strong suggestion.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: I totally agree, Markus. I think maybe the difference is that we're going to try and have the MAG involved from the very start. I think there is nobody in the MAG who remembers this work, and from there things can change in a different way than it was before because then it was a DCCG initiative and now it's going to be something that is broader.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: It was actually initiated by the MAG. They asked us to do this work.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Okay. That I wasn't aware of. I won't go into --

>> MARKUS KUMMER: I mean, as we said it was four years ago, there are different people and new people or whatever, but it could be a solid basis or sort of bearing of the agenda when you have the meeting with the MAG.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: Quite clear. Thank you, Markus.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Okay. Any other comments?

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: It would be great to have a look at this paper, because also being a MAG member of that period, I don't remember this process and this paper. You see it happens, and we should take into consideration, so it might be the case for many current MAG members.

>> WOUT DE NATRIS: I have to leave. I'm sorry.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Okay. Thanks. Yes.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: Markus, yes, if you could share this previous paper that would be appreciated.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: It's on your website.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: I understand. There is a million or billion of other documents.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Exactly.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: I wonder if you give me a hint to find it.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: I'll ask Celine to give a link and might not be a bad idea to share with the group because it has many excellent suggestions and questions in it. And you know it was not presented as a normative way forward but these are issues to be explored, very open-ended.

I think it's where we can leave it preparing this meeting with the MAG. Obviously we want an agenda and want to have a

productive meeting and hopefully as many MAG members as possible to attend but that needs to be prepared. Other comments for that? Doesn't seem to be the case.

Is there anything on any other business? Doesn't seem to be the case.

With that, I'm going to hand it over to my co-facilitator to conclude the meeting. Thank you all for participating. Over to you, Jutta.

>> JUTTA CROLL: Thank you, Markus, for giving me the floor. Thank you to all participants in this meeting. I hope we will have a next meeting where more people will be able to join. It's always a bit difficult to find the right time slots and we are moving very fast to the Internet Governance Forum this year. Thank you, also, to Roman for preparing this and setting up the Doodle poll. I think you fit very well on the team. Thank you so much for your work.

Have a nice day. Bye-bye.

>> MARKUS KUMMER: Bye-bye, everyone.

>> ROMAN CHUKOV: Thank you, everyone.

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