

**Internet Governance Forum (IGF)
Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)
Virtual Meeting II**

27 January 2021 at 14:00 UTC

Summary Report

Action Items:

- *MAG members to review all BPF proposals and share feedback through the MAG mailing list until 28 January.*
- *IGF Secretariat to share agenda for the First Open Consultations and MAG Meeting*
- *IGF Secretariat to share the synthesis document of all received inputs to the.*
- *Stocktaking Call prior to the next MAG meeting on 9 February.*

1. The second virtual meeting of the Internet Governance Forum Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) of the IGF 2021 preparatory cycle took place on 27 January 2021 at 14:00 UTC. Ms. Anriette Esterhuysen moderated the meeting as the Chair of the 2020 MAG. Mr. Chengetai Masango represented the IGF Secretariat. The IGF 2021 Host Country was represented by Mr. Krzysztof Szubert from the Government of Poland.
2. The following are attached as annexes to this report: (1) Agenda; (2) List of participants; and (3) List of shared input documents. The meeting's [transcript](#)¹ is available on the IGF website.
3. The meeting's agenda focused on assessing proposals for the IGF 2021 Best Practice Forums (BPF) and MAG Working Groups (WG). The meeting began with welcoming remarks of the MAG Chair and Host Country Co-Chair, both confirming that the preparations go as planned. The Co-Chair noted that the Host Country runs continuous outreach activities with many public and private institutions.
4. From the IGF Secretariat, several updates were shared:
 - The [Call to Take Stock of IGF 2020 and Suggest Improvements for IGF 2021](#) closed on 20 January. Forty-nine (49) inputs were received, out of which 15% from Africa, 6% Asia Pacific, 4% Eastern Europe, 4% Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC) and 11% from WEOG.
 - The [Call for Thematic Inputs](#) remains open until 31 January. So far, a hundred and sixty-seven (167) inputs were received.
 - The First Open Consultations and MAG Meeting of the IGF 2021 planning cycle are tentatively planned to be hosted online from 22-26 February. Its draft agenda will be shared early next week with the MAG for consultations.

¹ <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2021-mag-virtual-meeting-ii-0>

- The new intersessional activity, the [Policy Network on Environment and Digitalisation \(PNE\)](#) was launched. Two MAG members volunteered to be the co-facilitators. Everyone is invited to subscribe to an open mailing list².
 - Participants were reminded of the updated [timeline](#)³ of the preparatory process.
5. The MAG Chair invited presentations of all received proposals for the MAG working groups (WG) and Best Practice Forums (BPF). It was explained that this meeting's purpose is to discuss the proposals, suggest improvements for the MAG's final decision on possible approval during the next meeting of the MAG.
 6. For the MAG WGs, the Chair advised that duplication of work with the Secretariat's function is avoided and that each group has a specific use. A newly proposed [WG on Hybrid Meetings](#) briefly presented its proposal available at the IGF website⁴. The last year's WG on [IGF Strengthening and Strategy](#) informed about achievement made so far and announced to work on a new proposal for continuation in 2021. The proposal is expected to be submitted to the MAG in the next few days. Underlining that joining the MAG WGs is not mandatory, the MAG Chair encouraged members to join as these provide an opportunity to directly contribute to the IGF processes through innovative, sometimes multiyear, activities. The Chair asked for feedback on the WGs to be sent through the MAG mailing list.
 7. Participants moved to discussing the Best Practice Forums (BPFs). The facilitator of the last year's BPF assessment exercise, the 'BPF on BPFs', provided a brief historic overview of the BPFs and pointed at a concrete set of [criteria](#)⁵ for new proposals the 'BPF on BPFs' developed last year. The particularly important aspect for successful BPFs would be engagement with other initiatives and organizations.
 8. The MAG members that submitted BPF proposals briefly presented their main takeaways, as per the written submissions available at the IGF website⁶. After each proposal's presentation, participants shared their feedback, summarised in the table below. Some general comments were also shared:
 - BPFs to be 'tested' through the community, for the sake of understanding if there is support from other stakeholders for substantial support and cooperation;
 - For the sake of the BPFs better stakeholder engagement, such as with youth, parliamentarians and other groups, the proposals should have simpler, concise overviews outlining its mission, purpose and goals.

BPF Proposal	Summary of received feedback from MAG members
BPF Cybersecurity ⁷	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to create linkages of this BPF subject area to other Internet governance areas that may relate to its implications? For example, with environment.

² https://intgovforum.org/mailman/listinfo/pne_intgovforum.org

³ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/index.php?q=filedepot_download/11138/2394

⁴ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/filedepot_download/4919/2419

⁵ <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2021-mag-virtual-meeting-ii>

⁶ <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2021-mag-virtual-meeting-ii>

⁷ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/filedepot_download/4904/2410

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to broaden the stakeholder engagement in this BPF? Is there an outreach strategy?
BPF Environmental Data ⁸	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This BPF to take into account the cases of environmental data being inaccessible due to political intervention. • Would the DC format fit better to this proposal, than the BPF format? The reason relates to the proposal noting that it aims for understanding the topic rather than gathering best practices. • How this BPF would achieve set goals? Could it look at the discussions on the matter from the IGF 2020 and from those, in the next few months, identify concrete aspects to focus on? • Could this BPF feed into or be integrated into a broader PNE project, recently launched?
BPF Gender and Digital Rights ⁹	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The DC on Sustainability of Journalism expressed interest to cooperate with this BPF and bring aspects of online violence experienced by journalists and women of colour. • This BPF could also address digital rights of LGBTQ activists. • Is there an outreach plan to reach out to external, non-traditionally present communities and invite them to cooperate? • Who are the supports of this BPF?
BPF Local Content ¹⁰	<i>Questions to be sent to the MAG mailing list.</i>
BPF Committed actions to make Internet sustainable and affordable for everyone ¹¹	<i>Questions to be sent to the MAG mailing list.</i>

9. The Chair suggested that the rest of the agenda, reserved for updates on digital cooperation, is discussed at the next meeting, due to lack of time. MAG members were invited to share their feedback on the existing proposals by the end of next day.

10. The next MAG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 9 February at 14:00 UTC.

Annex I: Meeting Agenda
IGF MAG Virtual Meeting II: 27 January 2021 at 14:00 UTC

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Chair and Co-Chair introduction and welcome
3. Updates from the Secretariat

⁸ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/filedepot_download/11160/2421

⁹ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/filedepot_download/5004/2413

¹⁰ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/filedepot_download/5005/2411

¹¹ https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/filedepot_download/11156/2412

4. Review of updates to the draft 2021 timeline
5. Overview of received BPF proposals and criteria for approval
6. Discussion on MAG working Groups.
7. Updates on Digital Cooperation
8. A.O.B

Annex II: List of Participants

Title	Last Name	First Name	Stakeholder Group	Country
MAG Chair				
Ms.	Esterhuysen	Anriette	Civil Society	South Africa
MAG Members				
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Ms.	Choudhury	Amrita	Civil Society	India
Ms.	Chen	Joyce	Technical Community	Singapore
Ms.	Chair	Chenai	Civil Society	South Africa/Zimbabwe
Ms.	Chalmers	Susan	Government	USA
Mr.	Charlton	Paul	Government	Canada
Ms.	Dofel	Sook-Jung	Private Sector	Germany
Mr.	Espinosa	Jose Amado	Private Sector	Mexico
Mr.	Fantinati	Mattia	Government	Italy
Ms.	Harsianti	Juliana	Civil Society	Indonesia
Ms.	Horejsova	Tereza	Civil Society	Czech Republic/Switzerland
Mr.	Hordyński	Ryszard	Private Sector	Poland
Mr.	Karim	Attoumani Mohamed	Private Sector	Comoros
Mr.	Koubaa	Khaled	Private Sector	Tunisia
Ms.	Mukanova	Ayazhan	Government	Kazakhstan
Mr.	Peak	Adam	Technical Community	The Netherlands
Ms.	Peresson	Sophie	Private Sector	France
Ms.	Roach	Carol	Government	Bahamas
Ms.	Radsch	Courtney	Civil Society	USA
Ms.	Tauchnitz	Evelyne	Civil Society	Switzerland

Mr.	Tungali	Arsene	Civil Society	DR Congo
Mr.	Zambrana	Roberto	Civil Society	Bolivia
IGF 2021 Host Country				
Ms.	Podgórska Buompane	Anna	IGF 2021 Host Country team	Poland
Mr.	Szubert	Krzysztof	IGF 2021 Host Country Co-Chair	Poland
Mr.	Typiak	Przemek	IGF 2021 Host Country team	Poland
Other Participants				
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Mr.	Degezelle	Wim	Consultant	Belgium
Mr.	Frank	Nicola	EBU	Switzerland
Ms.	Faith	Afia	US Department of State	USA
Ms.	Galstyan	Lianna	Civil Society	Armenia
Mr.	Jensen	David	UNEP	Switzerland
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** Apologies received from Ms. Gunela Astbrink*

Annex III: List of input documents

- [IGF 2021 Draft Timeline](#) (draft)
- IGF 2021 [BPF](#) Proposals:
 - [BPF Cybersecurity | Presentation](#)
 - [BPF Environmental Data](#)
 - [BPF Gender](#)
 - [BPF Local Content | Presentation](#)
 - [BPF Committed actions to make Internet sustainable and affordable for everyone](#)
- IGF 2021 [WG](#) Proposals:
 - [WG Hybrid Meetings](#)