INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM (IGF)

What is the IGF?

- World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), two phase:
- Phase I, 2003: stakeholder requested the United Nations Secretary-General to establish a multi-stakeholder Working Group on Internet Governance (WGIG)
- Phase II, 2005: Paragraph 72 of the Tunis Agenda called on the UN Secretary-General to convene the IGF
- The convening of the IGF announced on 18 July 2006. Inaugural meeting held in Athens, Greece, from 30 October to 2 November 2006.

IGF Mandate

- 2006 – 2011 -2015
- **16 December 2016, United Nations General Assembly extended the IGF mandate for the next 10 years**

Organizational Structure

IGF MAG

- The Secretary-General of the United Nations established the Advisory Group (now referred to as the Multistakeholder Advisory Group - MAG). Its purpose is to advise the Secretary-General on the programme and schedule of the Internet Governance Forum meetings. The MAG is comprised of 55 Members from governments, the private sector and civil society, including representatives from the academic and technical communities.

Organizational Structure

IGF SECRETARIAT

- Based at the United Nations Office in Geneva
- Coordinates the IGF processes

IGF processes

- **Open Consultations and MAG face to face meetings**
- **Community Intersessional work**
- **Annual Meeting**

Open Consultations and MAG face to face meetings

- Multistakeholder community and the MAG gathers to discuss and organize the intersessional work and the annual IGF meeting
- 2 – 3 meetings during a year with many of virtual meetings in between

Community Intersessional work

- Substantive working process for organizing the content of the annual meeting:
- Workshops
- Best Practice Forums (BPFs)
- Dynamic Coalitions (DCs)
- Other substantive work projects [Connecting (and enabling) the Next Billion, C(E)NB]

IGF Initiatives: national, regional and Youth IGFs (NRIs)
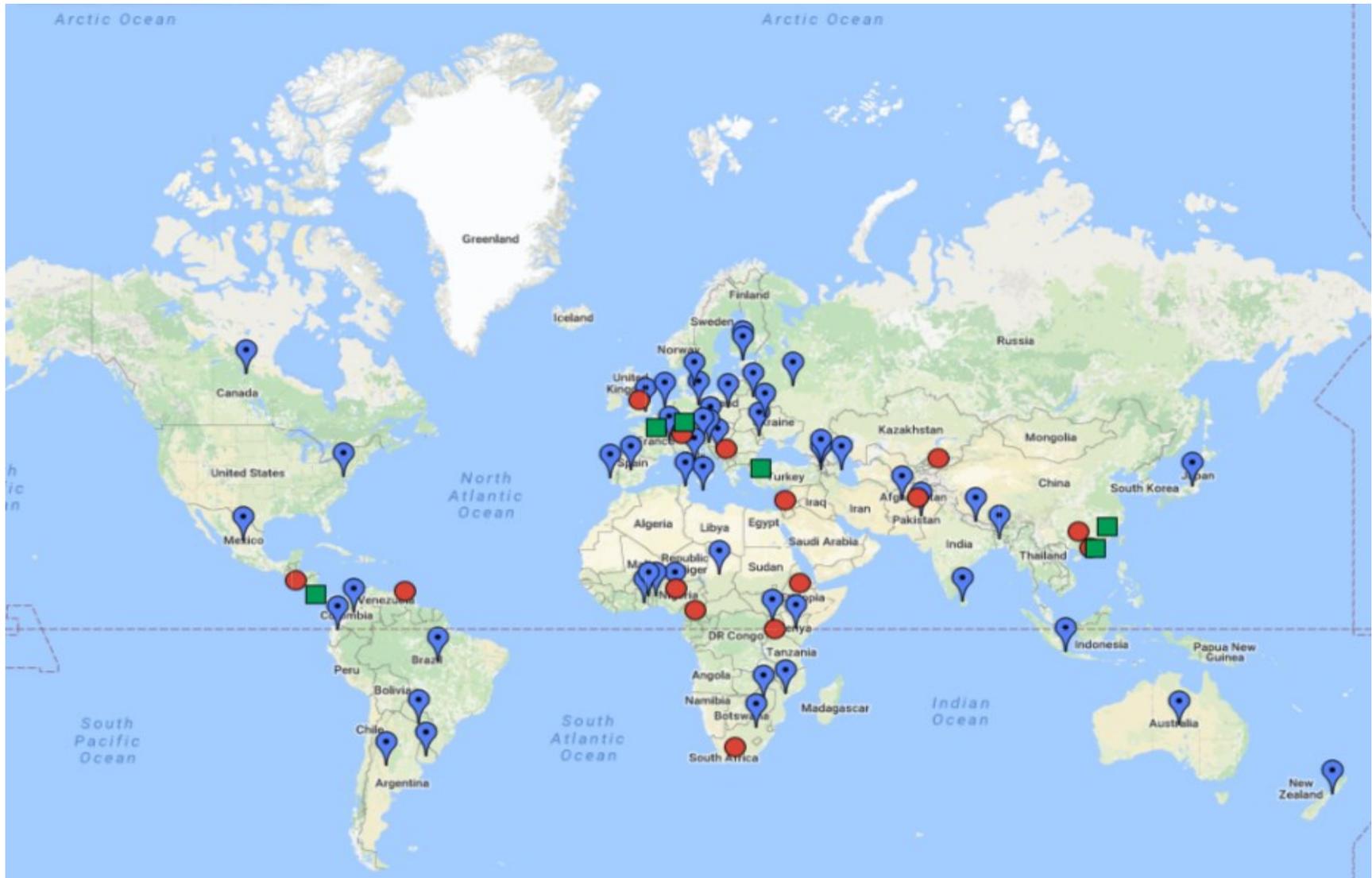
NRIs annual events general overview
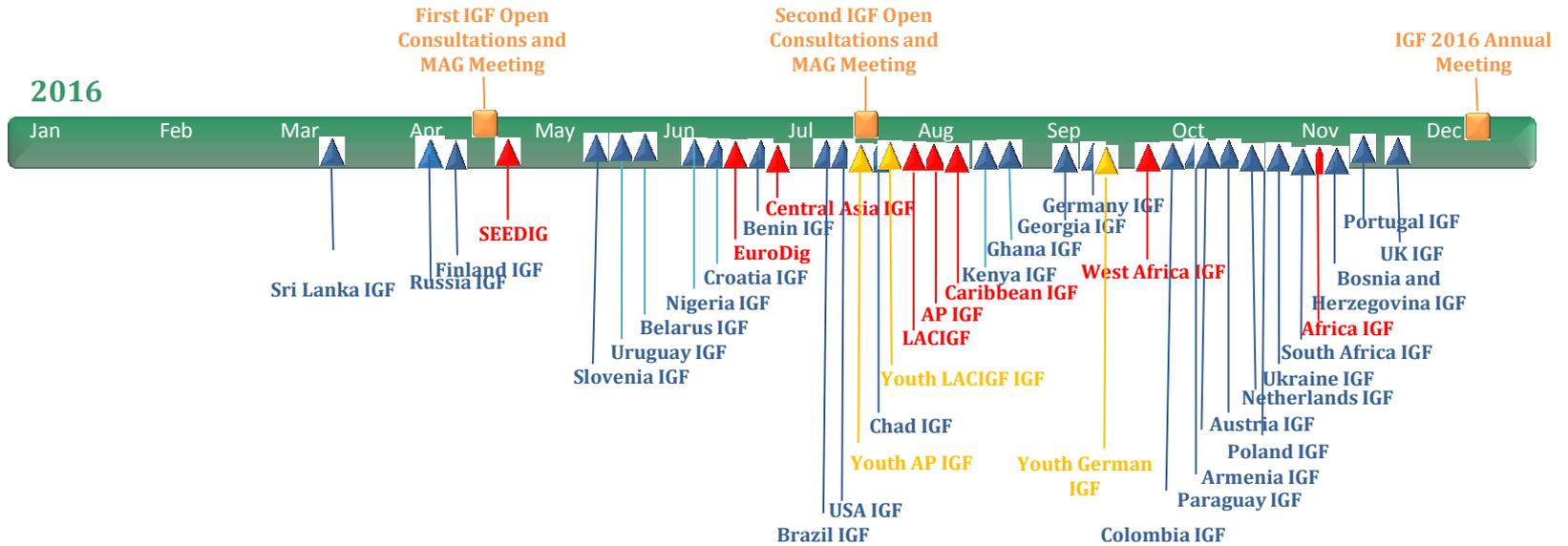
2016 Annual IGF Meeting

11th Meeting: 6 – 9 December 2016, Jalisco, Mexico

- 40+ Open Forums
- 100+ Workshops
- 5 BPFs
- CENB II
- 16 DCs
- 79 NRIs
- Newcomers Track

Newcomers Track

- **Learn, Network, Engage!**
- **Mentor Session, Day 0, 5 December, 12:00 – 13:30 pm at the WS Room 8**
- **Meet and speak to the:**
- **Head of the IGF Secretariat**
- **The MAG Chair**
- **DCs, NRIs and BPFs coordinators**

Knowledge Cafes
[Every day, 13:30 – 14:15, WS Room 4]

- **Day 1**: Private sector and Technical Community at the IGF: What is the role of these stakeholder groups

[Speak to: ISOC, ICANN, YAHOO AND ICC BASIS]

- **Day 2:** Governments and IGOs at the IGF: What's the role of these stakeholder groups in the IGF processes and ways for engagements?

[Speak to: Council of Europe, European Broadcasting Union, United Nations, European Commission]

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- **Day 3**: The role of Civil Society within the IGF: work modalities and ways for engagement

[Speak to: Academia, NRIs, ISOC chapters, iGgmena]

- **Day 4:** Wrap up: Taking Stock. How to continue engaging with the IGF 2017: mailing lists, online communities

[Let the UN IGF learns from you and be part of the global IGF community for the IGF2017!]

IGF Village

- Places to speak 1-on-1 to some key stakeholders and to network

- 40 Booths

- Every day from 9:00 a.m. to 18 p.m.

IGF Schedule

- Create your profile

- Mark your sessions

- Connect and network online and onsite

Your questions and comments welcome

THANK YOU AND SEE YOU SOON!