

IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) Virtual Meeting VI 23 May 2017

Summary Report

1. The sixth Virtual MAG Meeting of the 2017 IGF preparatory cycle took place on 23 May. Ms. Lynn St. Amour moderated the meeting as Chair of the MAG and Mr. Chengetai Masango represented the IGF Secretariat. The agenda (**ANNEX I**) focused primarily on main sessions, and also devoted space to addressing questions or comments from MAG members as they conduct workshop evaluations, as well as space for updates from [MAG working groups and Best Practice Forums \(BPFs\)](#) newly approved in 2017.
2. Current figures on the ongoing workshop evaluations process were provided by the Secretariat. With the new system in place this year, each MAG member is expected to grade approximately 50 proposals, rather than the full number of submissions. The Secretariat reported that evaluations were roughly 11 percent complete. MAG members were reminded of the 29 May deadline to finish their evaluations, in accordance with the overall [process timeline](#) adopted earlier this year. The issue of some speakers appearing in several proposals was also briefly raised, with the MAG agreeing that a screening of “repeat speakers” would be done at the selection stage, once all grading was done. The post-grading analysis done by the Secretariat, the next step in the process, will include an estimate of the number of workshops to be selected and identify possible areas – in terms of inter alia topics, stakeholder and regional origins that might be over or under-represented.
3. The discussion on main sessions began with a brief update on an effort to revise the [2016 guidelines](#) for this year. It was observed by the MAG member who had volunteered to do the review, and generally by others, that as they are, the guidelines are still applicable, and that only a new timeline for selecting and developing main sessions would have to be agreed upon. The timeline has been shared with the Secretariat for its input, as well as with the Chair. Another MAG member has also offered to review this and contribute to a finalized timeline by the next virtual meeting on 6 June. A tentative main sessions grid (**ANNEX II**), which has already been used for reference in previous calls, was briefly discussed, with the conclusion being drawn that there will be five or six 3-hour main session slots to fill. This was viewed comparatively with the list of main session proposals to date, as submitted on the MAG list ahead of this call (**ANNEX III**). Some of the proposers briefed participants more fully on the substance of their sessions, including the representative of the Swiss Government, which has suggested two topical issues – digitization and politics, and the future of the data economy – in addition to having themed, rather than ceremonial, high-level segments on the opening days of the meeting (**ANNEX II**). Other sessions – in particular those on “Local Interventions and Global Impacts” and “Cooperation among international organisations on data issues” – showed a great deal of synergy, with some of the proposers considering merging, or at least cooperating closely on these issues moving forward. The sessions on “Local Interventions”

and Cybersecurity (“Empowering Global Cooperation on Cybersecurity”), also plan to draw heavily from the past and ongoing work of intersessional groups such as BPFs and several of the issue-specific Dynamic Coalitions (DCs). Given how active the BPF on Gender and Access has been, the Chair recommended the proposer of the Gender Issues main session collaborate with them to submit a detailed description. Regarding intersessional main sessions, it was understood that the two groupings to have made requests, National and Regional Initiatives (NRIs) and DCs, will submit proposals in writing as soon as possible, and when their internal consultations have concluded. The Chair also mentioned that together with the Secretariat an effort would be made to consult the BPFs on their expectation or wish for a main session. In line with the timeline earlier discussed, it was agreed the final selection of main sessions would take place in the [MAG’s June face-to-face meeting](#), but would continue to be advanced through the MAG email list and the next virtual MAG meeting.

4. Short updates were given by a few of the 2017 MAG working groups (WGs) and BPFs. The BPF on Cybersecurity reported it had held its [first meeting](#) since formal approval by the MAG and will move forward with a plan to develop a questionnaire for cybersecurity best practices, on the basis of policy recommendations from the second phase of the IGF ‘Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s)’ initiative (CENB II). Both the BPF on Local Content and the WG on Improvements said they had only just begun their work, the latter explaining that its two co-facilitator names, to be agreed on with the MAG, will be submitted soon. Although the WG has not held a meeting yet, it has seen many subscriptions to its mailing list. A [draft charter for the WG on Multi-year Strategic Work Programme](#) had been open for comment on the MAG mailing list and as no objections were made to the proposed approach, the Chair formally chartered the group. Two issues – fundraising and remote participation – which on separate occasions had been considered for WG status, were determined to be more appropriate and effective as informal action groups. The Chair is working closely with the Secretariat on fundraising matters, and efforts have already resulted in eligible MAG members successfully being approved for funding to attend the MAG’s upcoming meeting in Geneva. The MAG member who had suggested a possible remote participation WG will also continue to coordinate with the Secretariat and involve other interested members.

5. A very brief review was done of the proposed agenda for the MAG’s face-to-face meeting in June (**ANNEX IV**). Few comments were made, although it was noted that the MAG should endeavour to leave sufficient time in the meeting for main session selection, which is scheduled for the third and last day.

6. It was agreed the next virtual meeting should be dedicated to considering a full list of main session proposals, as well as the initial analysis of evaluated workshops. The meeting is set to take place on **Tuesday 6 June, at 12.00 UTC**.

Annex I – Draft Agenda

MAG Virtual Meeting VI – 23 May 2017

- 1. Adoption of Agenda** *(5 minutes)*
- 2. Outstanding Issues on Workshops: MAG Evaluation** *(20 minutes)*
- 3. Discussion on Main Sessions** *(30 minutes)*
- 4. Status Updates on Approved WGs and BPFs in 2017** *(20 minutes)*
- 5. Agenda for the 2nd Open Consultations and MAG Meeting** *(10 minutes)*
- 6. AOB** *(5 minutes)*

Annex II – Main Sessions Grid

IGF 2017 MAIN SESSIONS GRID (as of 23 May 2017)

TIME	DAY 1 Mon 18 Dec	DAY 2 Tues 19 Dec	DAY 3 Wed 20 Dec	DAY 4 Thurs 21 Dec
10:00 - 13:00	Main 1	HL Thematic Session	Main 3	Main 5
LUNCH				
15:00 - 18:00	Opening Ceremony (~1 hr) - HL Thematic Session: “Digital politics: What rules for our global digital polity?” (~2 hrs)	Main 2	Main 4	Open Mike - Taking Stock - Closing Ceremony

****IN 2016: 8 MAIN SESSIONS - 4 x 3 HRS / 4 x 1.5 HRS**

Annex III – IGF 2017 Main Session Proposals

(as shared on the MAG list within 24 May)

<u>Proposed by</u>	<u>Main Session Topic / Suggestion</u>
Juan Fernandez	Gender - Awaiting proposal
Ginger Paque	Cooperation among international organisations on data issues [More details from the proposer]
Jorge Cancio (Swiss Government)	The impact of digitization on politics, public trust and democracy [More details from the proposer]
Jorge Cancio (Swiss Government)	Digitization and data economy: How do we shape the future of our data economy? [More details from the proposer]
Zeina Bouharb & Renata Ribeiro	Human and Social Dimensions of the Internet [More details from the proposer]
Segun Olugbile & Juan Fernandez	Empowering Global Cooperation on Cybersecurity for Sustainable Peace & Development [More details from the proposer]
Flavio Wagner	Local Interventions, Global Impacts: A Multistakeholder Conversation on Internet Shutdowns, Encryption and Data Protection [More details from the proposer]
Israel Rosas	Cutting Edge/Exponential Technologies
Wout de Natris	Enhanced Cooperation [More details from the proposer]
<u>Intersessional</u>	
National and Regional Initiatives (NRIs) - Main session requested - awaiting specifics	
Dynamic Coalitions (DCs) - Main session requested - awaiting specifics	
Policy Options for Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s) (CENB) - Will integrate work into main sessions and workshops	

Annex IV – Draft Agenda 2nd Open Consultations and MAG Meeting

The purpose of the second round of IGF open consultations and MAG meeting is to advance preparations for the IGF 2017 annual meeting and to take stock of the ongoing IGF community intersessional activities and other relevant Internet Governance related fora.

Day 1: 12 June 2017 - Open Consultations

Time	Agenda Item
10:00 - 10:40	1. Welcome from MAG Chair and adoption of the agenda 2. Welcome from Honorary Host Country Chair and briefing on state of preparations for annual meeting by Host Country
10:40 - 11:10	3. Briefing on state of preparations from IGF Secretariat and Host Country a) Workshop proposals b) Open Forums, Day-Zero, IGF Village c) Main/Thematic Sessions (Overview from MAG WG on Main Sessions)
11:10 - 11:50	4. Updates from IGF Best Practice Forums (BPFs) (list them) and 5. IGF Policy Options for Connecting and Enabling the Next Billion(s) - Phase III
11:50 - 13:00	6. Updates from National and Regional IGF Initiatives (NRIs)
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch

15:00 - 16:00	7. Updates from IGF Dynamic Coalitions (DCs)
	8. Updates on MAG working Groups
16:00 - 17:15	9. Briefings from other related/relevant initiatives or organizations
17:15 - 18:00	10. Open Discussion w/community on ways to encourage Governments and Private Sector participation

Day 2: 13 June 2017 - MAG Meeting (open to observers)

Time	Agenda Item
10:00 - 10:30	1. Opening Statements a) Introduction from the Chair and adoption of agenda
10:30-13:00 (continued below)	2. Overview of workshop proposal evaluations, a) Review final workshop selection process b) Workshop selection
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch
15:00 - 18:00 (continued below)	3. Continue workshop selection

Day 3: 14 June 2017 - MAG Meeting (open to observers)

Time	Agenda Item
10:00 - 11:30	1. Continue and finalize workshop selection
11:30 - 13:00 (continued below)	2. Discussion on Main/Focus Sessions a) Update from MAG WG on Main/Focus Sessions b) Main/Focus Sessions: Content including desired outcomes/outputs, format, length, etc. c) Selection and scheduling of main/focus sessions d) Next steps in planning, appointment of MAG lead facilitators
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch
15:00 - 17:00	3. Follow-up as needed based on status updates from Open Consultations. -Working Groups - BPFs - CENB Phase III - NRIs - DCs
17:00 - 17:45	4) Next steps in annual meeting programming, main session planning, etc.
17:45 - 18:00	5) Any Other Business

List of Participants

MAG Chair	
Ms. St. Amour, Lynn	Internet Matters
IGF 2017 Host Country Representatives	
Mr. Cancio, Jorge	Federal Office of Communications (OFCOM), Government of Switzerland
MAG Members	
Ms. Abdulla, Rasha	Associate Professor at the American University in Cairo
Ms. Aquino Ribeiro, Renata	Researcher and teacher, E. I. Consulting,
Mr. Casasbuenas, Julián	Director, Colnodo
Mr. Dengate-Thrush, Peter	Counsel, Barrister
Mr. Donkor, Wisdom	Information Technology Manager, Technical Lead for Ghana Open Data Initiative, National Information Technology Agency
Ms. Doria, Avri	Independent Researcher, DBA Technicalities
Ms. Erramuspe, Alejandra	Communications Manager and Head of Internet Governance, Agencia de Gobierno Electrónico y Sociedad de la Información y el Conocimiento (AGESIC)
Mr. Estrada, Miguel Ignacio	CEO, 1977 SRL
Mr. Fernández González, Juan Alfonso	Advisor, Ministry of Communications, Cuba
Ms. Franz, Liesyl	Senior Policy Advisor in the Office of the Coordinator for Cyber Issues at the Department of State, United States
Ms. Gatto, Raquel	Regional Policy Advisor, ISOC
Mr. Ilishebo, Michael	Officer, Zambia Police Service
Mr. Lo, Mamadou	Head of Communication and Information Department, Credit Agricole Bank (Senegal)
Mr. Marković, Slobodan	Advisor for ICT Policy and Internet Community Relations, Serbian National Internet Domain Registry
Mr. Moisander, Juuso	Commercial Secretary, Information Society and ICT, Ministry for Foreign Affairs
Ms. Nguyen, Carolyn	Director, Technology Policy, Microsoft Corporation
Mr. Olugbile, Segun	CEO, Continental Project Affairs Associates
Ms. Paque, Virginia	Director, Internet Governance Programmes, DiploFoundation
Mr. Sabir, Sumon Ahmed	Chief Strategy Officer at Fiber@Home Limited
Mr. Valdez, German	Executive Secretary, Number Resource Organisation
Mr. Wagner, Flávio	Board Member, Brazilian Internet Steering Committee (CGI.br)
Mr. Wanawit, Akhuputra	Deputy Executive Director, Electronic Transactions Development Agency, Ministry of Information and Communication Technology, Thailand

Former IGF Host Country Representatives

Mr. Jardim, Thiago	Secretary, Division for the Information Society, Government of Brazil
Mr. Rosas, Israel	Internet Policy Analyst at the National Digital Strategy Coordination, Government of Mexico

Other Participants

Ms. Cade, Marilyn	mCade LLC
Mr. van Horenbeeck, Maarten	Vice President, Security Engineering, Fastly
Mr. Nelson, Mike	Public Policy, CloudFlare, and Adjunct Professor, Internet Studies, Georgetown University
Ms. Suto, Timea	Ms. Suto, Timea ICC-BASIS

IGF Secretariat

Mr. Masango, Chengetai	Programme and Technology Manager
Mr. Garcia Bobo, Luis	Associate Information Systems Officer
Ms. Mazzucchi, Eleonora	Programme Management Assistant
Ms. Gengo, Anja	Consultant