Internet Governance Forum (IGF)
Dynamic Coalitions (DC)
Virtual Coordination Meeting XXXIX, 9th October 2019 at 17:00 UTC

Summary Report

1. The thirty-nine virtual meeting of Dynamic Coalitions Coordination Group (DCCG) took place on 9th October 2019 at 17:00 UTC. The meeting was facilitated by Jutta Croll and Markus Kummer, with Lima Madomi representing the IGF Secretariat. Live captioning was available during the call, with the transcript posted on the IGF website: https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/dc-coordination-meeting-xxxix-0 The meeting was also recorded and is available for download: https://intgovforum.zoom.us/recording/play/zDczVDbXUS_Nh2CvONmh6hpxILeGkgkKBYMgKvssWNPwQ181IYSHbVfHET2nT2UZ?autoplay=true&startTime=1570639122000

2. The agenda of the meeting (Annex 1) focused on continuation of overall planning process of the DCs, and specifically on preparing the DC main session for the IGF 2019 annual meeting.

3. Jutta briefed participants about the recently hosted MAG virtual meeting. The updates are as follow:

   a. Around 2000 people registered for the IGF 2019, which will increase number of interested participants for DC sessions., not data available yet in regard of the share of participants onsite or offsite

   b. So far, several speakers confirmed their speaking slots for the IGF, and the schedule for IGF 2019 is also uploaded online to the IGF website.

   c. The deadline for submitting feedback to the United Nations Secretary-General's High Level Panel on Digital Cooperation (HLPDC) is extended to 14th October. Participants were encouraged to submit inputs that will serve as inputs to the IGF's main session focused on digital cooperation It was also reminded that the IGF Secretariat made the report feedback process simple, giving possibility for commenting on specific sections of the report.

   d. For the high-level session on Day 0, the host country government invited all ministers working on digital issues from United Nations member states via diplomatic channels. So far, 30-35 ministers confirmed attendance for the high-level session, which will improve the high-level government representation at the IGF. Also, high-level representatives from the private sector, civil society and the technical community were invited by the host country government. The meeting on

Day 0 will start with a plenary session for all those 100-120 participants and will afterwards be divided into different tracks following the three main themes of this year's IGF in order to feed the outcomes into the IGF sessions. In each panel, all stakeholder groups will have their share of time to speak. However, the panels will be also open to other participants to share their opinion. The space is large enough to accommodate many participants. It was emphasized that the interactivity of the session will depend on the moderator, participants, and timing.

4. The co- facilitators underlined that this year's DC main session will have the same structure as previous IGFs.

5. The question was raised about the deadline for sharing the speakers list with the MAG. Jutta confirmed that the MAG didn't announce any strict deadline for sharing speakers list, however the MAG had made it clear that it should be shared as soon as possible. Update from the XVIIIth MAG meeting: deadline for the pre-session report with speakers list is Oct 28th.

6. The IGF Secretariat provided updates about the reporting for IGF 2019. Session organizers will be requested to submit three types of reports: (1) Pre-Session report, due one month before the meeting, (2) Short/Post-Session Report, due 12 hours after session ends (3) Final/Post-Session Report, due two weeks after the IGF 2019 meeting ends. It was also said that the IGF Secretariat will share guidelines for the reporting along with a request to session organizers to submit their Pre-Session reports. DCs asked whether the 12 hours deadline for the Short/Post-Session Report could be extended esp. for sessions taking place late in the afternoon. Update from the XVIIIth MAG meeting: the deadline for the short post-session report follows the usual UN reporting practices. The 12 hours were set with regard to the chairs summery of each day of the IGF and also in regard of press reporting. So it is in the best interest of workshop organizers to feed into these instruments of publicity for Internet Governance. The IGF secretariat underlined that all three reports are mandatory in order for workshop organizers to be for a session at next year's IGF.

7. It was advised that all DC session organizers prepare in advance for reporting. Discussion during sessions should be driven in a way that makes it easy to conclude, which will give more time for the final reporting. Final report should have impact on developing Internet governance further. The post session report should be short with a consensual messages take-out of the session

8. The co-facilitator of the session suggested Ms. Tatiana Tropina as a moderator for the DC main session. Tatiana moderated DC session during IGF 2017 in Geneva, where she was highly commended for her moderation.

9. It was also suggested to have a male and female moderator, for easing the moderation load on one person. Mr. Michael Oghia, the session organizer of the DC on Sustainability of Journalism and News Media, was suggested as a second moderator due to his good journalism background.

10. Jutta updated participants about the number of DC papers received for the main session. She indicated that so far 11 DCs submitted their papers, which are focused on SDGs. Apart from the SDG 14, Life below Water, all other goals are covered by the session organizers.

Papers point to different policy questions, that each DC wants to discuss. Jutta added that she will structure all received policy questions and prepare a first draft of these questions and inputs for the received papers, which will be shared with the session organizers along with the speaker's names for their further inputs.

11. Jutta also suggested to organize the session and speakers around the SDGs the DCs already pointed out for addressing with their work. DCs organizers might be asked to speak at several points during the session instead of DCs speaking one after another in a row. All DCs agreed upon the suggested approach. It was also agreed that the deadline for papers will not be extended. However, if any organizers request to submit inputs past the deadline, it will be considered.

12. Markus briefed all participants about the DC stock-taking/coordination session. He recalled that in 2015 the DCs for the first time were given a main session slot. Then the session was was split into two parts, with the second part more inward looking which didn't attract much interest among IGF participants. However, as DC felt there was a need for interaction among them. For this reason, they tried a new format and introduced a stock-taking session at the IGF 2017. in Geneva. This was repeated in 2018 and this year, a room was reserved for the stock-taking session for DCs to discuss what went well and what went less well and what should be improved about the DC work planning for the following years.

It was asked whether there is a specific rule or framework for becoming a member of DCs? Markus responded by pointing to the Common Principles and Standards of the DCs, aligned with the IGF standard operational principles of being open, inclusive, bottom up and multistakeholder . In addition to these principles, the DCs should have open mailing lists, archives and open memberships policy. Also, DCs are independent and flexible in implementation of these principles, due to their diverse nature.

Annex I
Meeting Agenda

    I.   Adoption of the agenda
    II.   Update on the overall planning process for IGF 2019
    III.   Planning the DC main session
    IV.   DC stock-taking and coordination session in Berlin
    V.   AOB

Annex II
Meeting Participants

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