NATIONAL, (SUB)REGIONAL AND YOUTH IGF INITIATIVES
- Virtual Meeting VII | 29 September 2020 | 15:00 p.m. UTC -

SUMMARY REPORT

Action Points:

- *To produce a draft session proposal and share for NRIs endorsement*
- *To consult NRIs if the Coordination Session should be hosted during or after the IGF*
- *NRIs to advise on producing short video statements on their work and/or main session topic*

Summary of key points

1. The 7th virtual meeting of the National, Sub-regional, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs) of the IGF 2020 preparatory cycle, took place on 29 September 2020 at 15:00 p.m. UTC. The meeting was hosted by the IGF Secretariat's NRIs Focal Point. The adopted version of the agenda is attached to this document as Annex A1 and a list of meeting participants as Annex A2.

2. The meeting focused on continuation of planning the NRIs main session focused on the *role of the Internet in emergency situations*.

3. Participants were reminded that the session will be hosted on Friday, 13 November from 16:50-18:20 UTC. The host confirmed that the session will be transcribed, webcasted over IGF YouTube and UN Web TV and interpreted to six UN languages.

4. The Host confirmed that 17 NRIs have confirmed their commitment for a speaking engagement and confirmed names of speakers. It was added that other interested NRIs could intervene during the Q&A section.

5. The Host confirmed that the main session will be hosed as a webinar format over Zoom and said to follow up on the chat functionality.

6. On the session format, it was agreed that the session should be structurally divided into several interconnected discussion policy areas.

7. It was agreed that the NRIs should not be using any visual presentations, given the limited time of the session.

8. It was agreed to limit the speakers opening interventions to 2-3 min max. It was reiterated that the session needs to be inclusive, interactive and regionally diversified. One NRIs urged all NRIs that they speak from their NRIs perspectives in a concrete case-study like manner. The Host committed to work with speakers to achieve this.

9. Some suggested that some NRIs could send short video messages on the topic as a source for additional information.

10. One participant recommend using a tool to support interactivity of the session called www.plectica.com/. It was explained that this tool allows for grouping of participants views to be addressed in a more structured and targeted manner. As other participants did not express to have experience with this tool, it was agreed it will be further explored for possible use. It was advised that the participating NRIs develop an output document on the common standing views on this topic and frame it in a form of one visual document that could be displayed during the session.

11. The Bolivian IGF has shared a new innovative format approach called the 'reversed/inverted pannel' that calls for a session to open through exchanges by all participants and continues with reflections of speakers on those. It was agreed that this format could be further explore by the NRIs collaborative sessions, given fewer number of speakers they have.

12. There was a proposal that a few NRIs work on putting together a check-list on how to behave while participating in an online session, especially related to the cameras being on, position of the camera etc. The focal point said to also share some existing resources the UN has produced.

13. This discussion segment concluded by the Host agreeing to produce a final session proposal and share before the next planning call that should be scheduled in a time convenient for the Pacific region.

14. Participants also discussed when the traditional NRIs coordination session should be hosted, during or after the IGF. They have engaged in a poll whose results were the following:

    - *The NRIs coordination session should be hosted after the IGF – 68%*

    - *The NRIs coordination session should be hosted before the IGF – 32%*

15. It was agreed that this question will be posted on the NRIs mailing list for a final consensus.

16. ***Next meeting:*** A doodle poll to plan the next meeting will be communicated in the next two weeks.

17. For any suggestions or questions regarding the report, kindly contact the IGF Secretariat, NRIs Focal Point at: anja.gengo@un.org.

ANNEX A1
AGENDA: Virtual Meeting VII

1. Welcome and agenda adoption
2. NRIs main session: format (45 min) + reflections to moderators and rapporteurs
3. AoB (5 min)
4.

ANNEX A2
MEETING PARTICIPANTS *(in alphabetical order[1]):*

1. Abdias Zambrano, Panama IGF
2. Abdulkarim Oloyede
3. Aleksandar Ichokjaev, N.Macedonia IGF
4. Amir Mokabberi, Iran
5. Anja Gengo, IGF Secretariat
6. Barrack Otieno, Kenya IGF
7. Beatriz Rodríguez, Uruguay IGF
8. Bram Fudzulani, Malawi IGF
9. Chiamaka Oziri
10. Concettina Cassa, Italian IGF
11. Dustin Loup, IGF-USA
12. Elaine Forde, Peru IGF
13. Emanuela Girardi, Italian IGF
14. Everton Rodrigues, Brazil IGF
15. Federica Tortorella, Dominican Republic IGF
16. Hamza Salami
17. Jose Felix Hernandez-Gil, Spain IGF
18. Judith Hellerstein, IGF-USA
19. Julian Casasbuenas, Colombia IGF
20. Khouzeifi Issakha, Youth Chad IGF
21. Kwaku Antwi
22. Lito Ibarra, El Salvador IGF
23. Lucien Castex, France IGF
24. Makane Faye, African IGF
25. Marcel Krummeneauer, EuroDIG
26. Marilyn Cade, IGF-USA
27. Martin Silva Valent, Argentina IGF
28. Mohammad Abdul Haque Anu, Bangladesh IGF
29. Nazar Nicholas, Tanzania IGF
30. Poncelet Ileleji, The Gambia IGF, West African IGF
31. Rachad Sanoussi, Benin IGF

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[1] Names indicates as participants have identified in the Zoom online participation tool.

32. Rakotondrainibe Harimino Lalatiana, Madagascar IGF
33. Roberto Zambrana, Bolivia IGF
34. Sandra Hoferichter, EuroDIG
35. Shreedeep Rayamajhi, Nepal
36. Sorina Teleanu, SEEDIG
37. Taiwo Peter Akinremi, South Africa IGF
38. Taylor Bentley, Canada IGF
39. Timothy Audu, Nigeria IGF
40. Vinicius W. O. Santos, Brazil IGF
41. Vrikson Acosta
42. Wai Min Kwok, UN DESA
43. Zeina Bou Harb, Lebanon IGF