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

21 July 2020 at 14:00 UTC

Summary Report

Open Action Items:

New:

- The **Secretariat** to develop an updated option for the design of the IGF 2020 schedule and send out a poll by email to all MAG members regarding the schedule design for IGF 2020 Phases 1 and 2. **MAG members** to complete the poll by the end of Friday, **24 July**.
- The **Secretariat** to send out a poll by email to all MAG members regarding possible options for an overarching theme for IGF 2020. **MAG members** to complete the poll by the end of Friday, **24 July**.

Ongoing/underway:

- The **Secretariat** has contacted session organisers regarding the online nature of this year's IGF and requesting that organisers confirm their interest in holding their sessions in an all-online environment. To date, the response rate from organisers confirming their interest in holding their session has been fairly poor, but of those who have responded, nobody has explicitly rejected a slot. The Secretariat will contact those who haven't responded and give them a deadline of a week to respond. After that, it will be assumed that non-responding session organisers no longer wish to go ahead with their session.
- The **Secretariat** has sent an email to **volunteer MAG members** regarding possible times to hold a call to discuss the agenda for the one-hour IGF session during the WSIS Forum on August 3.
- The **MAG Working Group on Workshop Process** has been updating its draft guidance document following feedback from the wider MAG and will send the final version through to the Secretariat by the end of the week.
- **UN DESA** to investigate plans for the UN 75th Anniversary to see if any of the celebrations related to Internet issues, or commitments of the UN Secretary-General during the celebrations might conflict with the planned dates of IGF and report back to the MAG.
- The **MAG Chair** to share details of her participation at the UN High-Level Political Forum on the MAG mailing list.

1. The thirteenth virtual meeting of the Internet Governance Forum Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) of the IGF 2020 preparatory cycle took place on 21 July 2020 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 following are attached as annexes to this report:

- Adopted agenda
- List of participants
- List of shared input documents

The meeting's transcript is available on the website at
https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-mag-virtual-meeting-xiii

2. The meeting was a continuation of the previous discussions during the MAG's eleventh and twelfth virtual meetings on the possible program design options for the virtual IGF 2020, as well as the potential options for an overall theme, including "none", for IGF 2020.

3. The Chair welcomed MAG members to the call and reported that she and Chengetai Masango had met with TechChange and the Secretariat will be sending them specifications of IGF 2020 to get a quotation as well as a sense of the different options that they can offer the IGF. The Secretariat will also be doing the same with Diplo Foundation. The Chair noted, however, that even if there weren't sufficient resources to engage an external support for the virtual IGF 2020, she was confident that a very successful virtual event could be held.

4. The Secretariat provided an update on its activities, noting that the monthly IGF newsletter should have come out on July 20, but it was decided to delay it until the MAG reached its recommendations on the format of the virtual IGF, as well as a possible theme for the meeting. The Secretariat reported that the youth engagement strategy for this year's IGF should also be available shortly.

5. Update on previous action items:

Completed	• The Secretariat has distributed a concept for a two-phase virtual IGF 2020 based on the Chair's discussion document and the MAG's discussion in time for the current virtual MAG meeting.
Underway	• The Secretariat has sent an email to volunteer MAG members regarding possible times to hold a call to discuss the agenda for the one-hour IGF session during the WSIS Forum on August 3.

6. The Secretariat reported that Lima Madomi's time as intern at the Secretariat would conclude at the end of the month. The Chair stated that Ms. Madomi would be missed.

7. The Secretariat presented a number of schedule design options for the MAG to consider, based on its feedback on previous schedule design options presented to the

MAG. Some of the considerations in putting together the options, in addition to the previous feedback from the MAG were:

- Working to avoid dates that would overlap with the ICANN69 meeting, as well as Thanksgiving in the USA.
- Trying to ensure that some of the main sessions would be in suitable time zones for all geographic regions of the world to participate in.
- The more types of sessions that could be included in the two-week Phase 1 would provide the ability to hold fewer parallel in the shorter Phase 2.

8. In response to the new schedule options presented to the MAG, the MAG gave the following feedback:

- There is a desire for as few parallel tracks as possible.
- Members of the MAG expressed supported a program design that followed the concept of a 24-hour time-range program as much as possible.
- There was consensus for Phase 1 of IGF 2020 to happen **23 October – 6 November**.
- There was strong consensus that Phase 1 of the IGF 2020 schedule include the Day Zero, NRI and DC sessions. However, one MAG member felt that the DCs should be consulted before a final decision is made.
- There were differing opinions on whether the BPFs should be part of Phase 1, with some MAG members feeling that if the DCs are included in Phase 1, then as a related intersessional set of work, the BPFs should also be in Phase 1.
- There was a slight majority of MAG members who felt that the introductory sessions for the four thematic tracks, as well as the session for newcomers, should be included in Phase 1.
- There was a suggestion that there be some kind of summary of Phase 1 presented to participants at the beginning of Phase 2.
- There was agreement to have the Secretariat develop a seven-day schedule for Phase 2, with fewer than four parallel tracks, and have an email poll for MAG members to reach a conclusion on the preferred schedule model for Phase 2, with a closing date of the end of **24 July** for the poll.

9. The MAG received brief updates from MAG Working Groups:

- The WG on IGF Strengthening and Strategy (WG-Strategy) provided an update on its two main lines of work. The Chair encouraged MAG members to join the WG-Strategy, particularly MAG members from the Global South.
- It was noted that at the most recent DC coordination meeting, the DC on Accessibility had suggested there be some guidance on accessibility in the guidance paper produced by the MAG Working Group on Workshop Process (WG-WSP). The Chair agreed that it would be useful if the DC on Accessibility could provide some input on the issue to the WG-WSP.
- The WG on Language (WG-Language) reported that it will be seeking feedback from members of the MAG on a survey it has developed, and has just translated into French. The survey will be made available on the IGF website.

10. Under Any Other Business, the Chair raised the issue of whether or not IGF 2020 should have an overarching theme or not. In the previous MAG meeting, there had been differences of opinion on whether a theme was needed or not. The Chair conducted an informal poll of possible options, based on previous MAG ideas for a possible theme. None of the potential ideas received an overwhelming majority, so the MAG agreed to take the top-ranking potential themes from the poll and conduct another poll, via the MAG mailing list, with MAG members to complete the poll by the end of Friday, **24 July**. The Chair noted that if this next poll still didn't show a clear preference amongst the MAG, then she would work with the Secretariat to come to a decision, based on all the input received from the MAG members.

11. The Secretariat reported that the next MAG meeting would be held **4 August** at 20:00 UTC.

Annex I

Meeting Agenda
IGF MAG Virtual Meeting XIII: 21 July 2020 at 11:00 UTC

1. Welcome from the Chair
2. Checking on action items from the previous meeting
3. Updates from the IGF Secretariat
4. Discussion on Schedule options of the vIGF2020
5. Update from MAG Working Groups.
6. 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				
Mr.	Afonso	Carlos	Civil Society	Brazil
Ms.	AlHashimi	Hana	Government	United Arab Emirates
Ms.	Baniala	Dalsie	Technical Community	Vanuatu
Ms.	Cassa	Concettina	Government	Italy
Ms.	Chair	Chenai	Civil Society	South Africa/Zimbabwe

Mr.	Charlton	Paul	Government	Canada
Mr.	Chukov	Roman	Government	Russia
Ms.	Chung	Jennifer	Private Sector	Hong Kong S.A.R., China
Ms.	Croll	Jutta	Civil Society	Germany
Mr.	Espinosa	Amado	Private Sector	Mexico
Ms.	Galpaya	Helani	Civil Society	Sri Lanka
Ms.	Galstyan	Lianna	Civil Society	Armenia
Ms.	Harsianti	Juliana	Civil Society	Indonesia
Mr.	Jevtović	Danko	Technical Community	Serbia
Mr.	Karim	Attoumani Mohamed	Private Sector	Comoros
Mr.	Khanal	Raj Ananda	Government	Nepal
Mr.	Markovski	Veni	Technical Community	Bulgaria
Mr.	Nebojša	Regoje	Government	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Ms.	Parris	June	Private Sector	Barbados
Ms.	Rontal	Mary Rose Ofianga	Private Sector	Philippines
Mr.	Rowney	Paul	Private Sector	Namibia
Mr.	Tao	Xiaofeng	Technical Community	China
Mr.	Tungali	Arsene	Civil Society	DR Congo
Ms.	Uduma	Mary	Technical Community	Nigeria
Mr.	Wallis	Ben	Private Sector	UK/USA
Mr.	Zambrana	Roberto	Civil Society	Bolivia
Other Participants				
Ms.	Bajwa	Fouad		Pakistan
Ms.	Faith	Afia		Tunisia
Mr.	Kummer	Markus	IGFSA	Switzerland
Mr.	Mazzone	Giacomo	EBU	Switzerland
Ms.	Podgórska Buompane	Anna	Ministry of Digital Affairs of Poland/IGF 2021 Host Country	Poland
Ms.	Potocka	Elżbieta	Ministry of Digital Affairs of Poland/IGF 2021 Host Country	Poland
Mr.	Prendergast	Jim	Galway & Associates	USA
	Ren	Yilin		
Mr.	Wagner	Flavio	CGI.br	Brazil
IGF Secretariat				
Mr.	Bobo Garcia	Luis	Associate Information Systems Officer	
Mr.	Degezelle	Wim	Consultant	
Ms.	Dickinson	Samantha	Consultant	

Ms.	Gengo	Anja	Associate Programme Expert/NRIs Focal Point
Ms.	Madomi	Lima	Fellow
Mr.	Masango	Chengetai	Programme and Technology Manager
Ms.	Teleanu	Sorina	Consultant

* Apologies received from Nataša Glavor, Adama Jallow, Heiki Sibul

Annex III

List of input documents:

- **IGF 2020 Virtual Meeting Ideas**
- **Possible design for the IGF 2020 meeting communicated beforehand via MAG mailing list and to be shared during the meeting**
- **WG Strengthening & Strategy update**