



APrIGF Multi-Stakeholder Steering Group (MSG) Meeting
16 January 2015 (Fri)
04:00 – 05:00 (UTC)

Attendees(17):

Gunela Astbrink, AuIGF, Australia (Civil Society)
Hong Xue, Beijing Normal University (Academia)
Sivasubramanian Muthusamy, ISOC Chennai, India (Civil Society)
Noelle De Guzman, ISOC (Technical)
Youn Jung Park, SUNY Korea (Academia)
Duangthip Chomprang, ISOC (Technical)

APrIGF Secretariat:

Yannis Li, DotAsia Organisation

Local Host of 2015:

Becca (representing Holmes Leong), Monic

Agenda:

1. Review of Minutes and Action Items
2. Preparations for APrIGF 2015
 - Updates from local host
 - Themes and outcome statement
 - Fellowship support
3. Review of Voting Rules Updates
4. AOB

Proceedings:

1 Review of Minutes and Action Items

- The 2015.rigf.asia is ready. Website visitors can view submitted proposals on the dropdown proposals section
- The APrIGF administrator has initiated a discussion on the outcome document that came up during the last meeting
- Secretariat had a meeting with the local host regarding the APrIGF fellowship support budget
- There are now 16 applications for the IGF fellowship, more than the number of applications last year

2 Preparations for APrIGF 2015

- **APrIGF Outcome Statement.** MSG members present in this meeting agreed that more discussion is needed to reach a consensus on the form

of the proposed post-APrIGF outcome statement and the content that will be in it. More work also needs to be done to ensure that more people are involved in its development, with a view to making the process more inclusive and legitimate, so as to be taken as representative of the region. A suggestion came up to flesh this out further at the APrIGF in Macau this year.

- **APrIGF Fellowship Support.** The local host is trying to tap a government funding scheme to help them support selected delegates. The APrIGF budget remains tight and full subsidies might not be possible, but part of the expenses, such as flights and accommodation of delegates can be reimbursed. The criteria for choosing which delegates to support have been discussed by the selection committee but has yet to be finalised. It remains to be seen whether fellowship support can be extended to yIGF delegates—the secretariat noted, however, that this can be minimised by recruiting young participants that reside in the host country
- **Workshop evaluation.** The formation of the evaluation committee will be added in the action items

3. Review of Voting Rules Updates

- **MSG Voting Procedures.** New rules for voting procedures have been drafted by the four committee members. It has been suggested that the committee can hold a meeting following the next MSG call to finalise this.
- **Election schedule.** Paul Wilson’s term as Chair of the MSG will end this year, after the next meeting. The secretariat proposed opening the nomination for the next chairperson for a month in April, with mid-May to June as the voting period. Election results will be ratified at the APrIGF in Macau in July.
- **IGF Fellowship.** There was a discussion on whether the MSG should pre-screen applications and nominate qualified ones to the IGF Secretariat. Participants at the meeting however suggested that the MSG, as an information channel, should not pre-select candidates as it also lacks a selection criteria. Instead, all applications should be forwarded to the IGF secretariat in Geneva.

4. A.O.B

- **Next meeting:** The MSG will meet face-to-face at the AP* retreat in March. Yannis will try to arrange an MSG meeting at the next ICANN in Singapore on the 3rd week of February, but this will be further discussed in the mailing list.

The next meeting is TBC.
