



**APrIGF Multi-Stakeholder Steering Group (MSG) Meeting
31 March 2015 (Tuesday)**

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05:00 – 06:00 (UTC)

Attendees(11):

Kenny Huang, TWNIC (Technical)
Paul Wilson, APNIC (Technical) - **Chair**
Chester Soong, ISOC Hong Kong (Civil Society) – **Vice Chair**
Duangthip Chomprang, ISOC (Civil Society)
Don Hollande, I2 Consultants (Private Sector)
Gunela Astbrink, ISOC Australia (Civil Society)
Hiro Hotta, JPRS (Technical/Private Sector)
Imran Ahmed Shah, Pakistan (Civil Society)
PENGHWA ANG, SiRC (Academia)
YJ Park, SUNY Korea (Academia) – **Vice Chair**
Connie Chan, APNIC

APrIGF Secretariat:

Yannis Li, DotAsia Organisation

Local Host of 2015:

Kary Fong, HNET.Asia

Local Host of 2016:

Lynn Lin, NII-EPA
Sophie Liang, NII-EPA

Agenda:

1. Minutes and Action Items Review
2. Preparation for APrIGF Macao 2015
 - Local Host & Secretariat Updates
 - Selection of workshop proposals & Program
 - Government Invitations
3. Election Voting Rules and Procedure
4. A.O.B

Proceedings:

1. Minutes and Actions Items Review

- The minutes of 1 Mar 2015 has been uploaded onto the website
- The registration has been opened with suggested changes incorporated
- Chrompang has already circulated the revised draft of the voting rules & procedure to the MSG via the Secretariat. Details to be discussed in agenda item 3.

Action Items:

- The minutes of 19 Mar 2015 meeting has been reviewed and adopted.
- Secretariat to follow up the pending action item with the Travel Support Sub-Committee in electing a chair

2. Preparation for APrIGF Macao 2015

- **Secretariat & Local Host Updates -**
 - The NetMission team has had preparation meeting on Youth IGF 2015 and decided to enhance the integration between APrIGF and the youth participants.
 - The local host is still under negotiation with the hotel on the booking details, which hopefully will be available soon this month. The government invitation letter is under approval process by the Macau government.
 - The secretariat encouraged all MSG members to register online for APrIGF 2015 before 20 May 2015, [as well as help reaching out to the wider community](#), so that documents could be gathered for the funding application from the Macau government.

Comments:

- Wilson suggested to invite Wilson Lam, NetMission Ambassador, to join the MSG so as to facilitate the discussion and communications between YIGF and APrIGF.
- **Selection of Workshop Proposals & Program -**
 - The workshop proposals submission deadline has been further extended to April 7th after the RightsCon to encourage more proposals submission under the consensus from the MSG on the mailing list.
 - Below is a revised timeline:
 - Mar 23 Registration & Fellowship Application Opens
 - Mar 25 DSRT Government Invitation List finalized
 - **Apr 7 Workshop Proposal Extended Deadline**
 - Apr 15 Finish Scoring of Workshop Proposals
 - Apr 16 Workshop Selection Result Approval by MSG
 - May 7 Finalizing Speaker Lists
 - 20 May Hotel Booking Deadline / Travel Support Documents Deadline

Comments:

- Wilson stated that the selection committee shall be reminded ahead of time about the tight timeline for evaluation.

- **Government Invitations –**
 - The local host is working on the invitations with the Macau government and the secretariat reported that she has received initial confirmation from Armenia representatives on their availability as well.
 - Wilson suggested that there is a possible outreach to the Asia Pacific GAC members of ICANN through the GAC chair.
 - The timeline for the invitations would be as soon as possible. Wilson suggested that the secretariat could start with the current list available for the invitations. The secretariat is tasked to send initial invitations first to gather the initial interest for the issue of official invitation letters.

Action Items:

- Wilson to email Thomas Schneider, chair of the ICANN GAC on invitations to Asia Pacific GAC members to APrIGF Macao 2015

3. Election Voting Rules and Procedure

- Chrompang has prepared a revised draft incorporating the comments from the last call, which was circulated by the secretariat earlier to the list but has not received any response yet so far.
- Amendment made and issues to be discussed:
 - Only to consider candidates reside and work from the AP region
 - Timeline updated as below but Chrompang commented that the voting period may seem to be a bit too long
 - Apr 1-30 Nomination for Candidates
 - May 13 Voting Period Begins
 - Jun 17 Voting Period Ends
 - Jul 1-3 Result Ratifications at APrIGF Macao 2015
 - Legitimacy issue on the result and majority rules. Chrompang explained that the rationale to have the majority votes proposed as 90% is to have 1 candidate outstandingly ensuring the Election Committee can declare a clear winner instead of going back to the MSG for further decision
 - Whether proxy voting shall be allowed and the relevant mechanisms
 - Minimum quorum concerning the election
- Chrompang stated that it is important to set the ground rules and allow flexibility and adequate autonomy for the Election Committee to decide on the winner to minimize the coming back to the MSG.
- Chrompang suggested the secretariat to come up with a form for candidate to apply for running the elections.

Comments:

- Wilson commended on the comprehensive summary of the issues by Chrompang. The current draft may not have gauged the wider views from other MSG members. Wilson is suggesting a few multiple choice questions to be prepared to summarize the options that we have and the unresolved issues. Chrompang agreed to volunteer for developing the survey.
- Wilson suggested a hard 1-week deadline for the survey. The secretariat suggested to set the deadline on 15 Apr to allow more time for response from MSG members considering the New Year holiday in Thailand where

Chrompang resides.

Action Item:

- Chomprang to outline the unresolved issues and possible options as a short survey on the election voting rules & procedure to the MSG mailing list for further discussions

4. A.O.B

- None

Summary of Actions Items

1. Adopted the revised minutes of 19 Mar 2015 meeting
2. Pending Action from 19 Mar: Fellowship Support Committee to elect a chair to provide regular updates at the MSG meeting
3. Wilson to email Thomas Schneider, chair of the ICANN GAC on invitations to Asia Pacific GAC members to APriGF Macao 2015
4. Chomprang to outline the unresolved issues and possible options as a short survey on the election voting rules & procedure to the MSG mailing list for further discussions

The next meeting date and time is to be determined by doodle poll.
