



APrIGF Multi-Stakeholder Steering Group (MSG) Meeting
22 Jun 2016 (Wednesday)
Adobe Connect
04:00 – 05:00 (UTC)

Attendees (22):

MSG Members

Abdul Awal, Internet Society Bangladesh Dhaka Chapter (Civil Society)
Aris Ignacio, Southville International School and Colleges (Academia)
Arun Sukumar, Observer Research Foundation, India (Civil Society) - **Vice-Chair**
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ICANN (Civil Society)
Chester Soong, Internet Society Hong Kong (Civil Society) - **Vice-Chair**
Hiro Hotta, JPRS (Private Sector)
Jahangir Hossain, ISOC Dhaka, Bangladesh (Civil Society)
Kelvin Wong, ICANN (Technical)
Maureen Hilyard, At-Large Committee, ICANN (Civil Society)
Mohit Saraswat, Pepsi- Dubai Refreshments (PepsiCo Bottler) (Private Sector)
Mohammad Kawsar Uddin, Internet Society Bangladesh Dhaka Chapter (Civil Society)
Noelle de Guzman, Asia Pacific, Internet Society (ISOC) (Civil Society)
Paul Wilson, Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC) (Technical) - **Chair**
Peng Hwa Ang, Singapore (Academia)
Shreedeeep Rayamajhi, RayzNews (Civil Society)
Zakir Syed, SAMENA Telecommunications Council (Civil Society)

Non-MSG Members

Connie Chan, APNIC (Technical)
David Ng, DotAsia Organisation (Technical)
Jianne Soriano, NetMission
Yee Hann Kenn, ICANN (Technical)

APrIGF Secretariat:

Maggie Lo, DotAsia Organisation

Local Host of 2016:

Sean Lee, NIIIEPA (Technical)
Sophie Liang, NIIIEPA (Technical)

Apologies for absence sent in advance (3):

Chat Garcia Ramilo, Association for Progressive Communications (Civil Society)
Gunela Astbrink, Internet Society Australia (ISOC AU) (Civil Society)
Hong Xue, Beijing Normal University (Academia)

Agenda:

1. Agenda Review (Chair)
2. Minutes and Action Items Review (Chair/Secretariat)
3. Taipei 2016 Preparation
 - Local Host Updates (Sean)
 - Program Agenda (Secretariat)
 - Fellowship Updates (Chester)
 - Synthesis Document Updates (Jennifer/Edmon)
 - yIGF Updates (David)
4. Election Committee (Secretariat)
5. A.O.B (Fellowship Data)

Proceedings:

1. Minutes and Action Items Review

- Local host has circulated a note to the MSG mailing list regarding the honoring session for Dr. Yamaguchi.
- Secretariat has reminded 2017 local host to write an email to the MSG but no reply has been received.
- Secretariat has called for volunteers to join the Election Committee, and the members should be finalized today.
- The big data of the fellows has been updated online.
- Minutes of 8 Jun, 2016 have been reviewed and adopted.

Action Items:

- Reviewed and adopted minutes of 8 Jun, 2016.

2. Taipei 2016 Preparation

Local Host Updates

- Local host updated that there are 382 registration so far (from over 20 countries/economies).
- Local host reported the distribution of the registration as below:
 - Gender balance: 246 Male, 131 Female, 5 Unknown
 - Stakeholder distribution: Civil Society (34%), Technical (19%), Academia (15%), Private Sector (16%), Government (16%)
- Local host asked Secretariat to help to remind the speakers about the event registration online so that they can better arrange the accommodation.
- Wong asked if the Local host can provide the breakdown for the registration (participants indicating that they will attend Day0).
- Local host replied that they do not have the list now but they will update later.
- Wong said that he would reach out to the local host separately for the information in order to see how many people are interested in Day0 APILP Program.

i. Updates on Opening Ceremony

- Local host noted the MSG members about the Honoring Session for Dr. Suguru Yamaguchi.:
 - To ensure that the memory session can end on time, the list of 10 speakers will be confirmed prior to the event.
- Local host sought to finalize the list of 10 speakers for the honoring session.

ii. yIGF Updates

- Local host updated a yIGF participants list as below:
 - Local students -- 25
 - Philippines team -- 21
 - Thailand team -- 4
 - Individual application -- 2
 - NetMission (Organizer) -- 7
- With 3 other supporting staffs, there are 62 participants from yIGF.

iii. 2016 Taiwan IGF

- Local host reported that NII has hosted the 2016 TWIGF on June 17th, 2016.
- TWIGF included 3 topics: (1) IoT Security and Privacy, (2) Net Neutrality and OTT TV, (3) Third-Party Payment and FinTech.
- Local host also introduced 2016 APriGF in Local IGF.

iv. Fellowship Budget Usage

- Local host showed a Budget Usage table as below:
 - Airfare(21): US\$24,740
 - Hotel(19): US\$9,594
 - Service Charge(5%): US\$1,717
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 - Total: US\$36,051
 - (Possible refund of airfare: US\$ 1,443)

Program Agenda

- Secretariat updated that both Merger#3 and WS#20 on Health Data Privacy have to be cancelled due to lack of funding support.
- Secretariat then asked for MSG members' opinions on whether to continue the WS proposals.
- Soong asked if it is too late to contact the other available hosts/WS organizers to fill the extra slots.
- Secretariat thinks there is still time to contact new hosts.
- Wilson supported the idea to contact the next proposals on the list which did not make to the selection list.
- Secretariat pointed out an alternative to ask other hosts to take up the accepted proposals.

- Wilson thinks that the hosts of Merger 3 and WS#20 can first be contacted before reaching the WS organizers on the list.
- Syed thinks it would be better to ask the WS organizers if they would be able to arrange the workshop; If not, quickly ask the next highest and so on.
- Langdon-Orr, Hilyard and Ignacio supported the idea of contacting the next proposals in the list and see if they are willing to take up the spare slots.
- Soong agreed with Wilson's suggestion.

Action items:

- Secretariat to ask the organizers of WS#20 and Merger 3 to suggest parties to replace them first and contact the organizers of proposals with the next highest ranking on the list to fill the slots if the originally accepted WS cannot be taken up.

Fellowship Updates

- Soong reported that there are 19 fellows now and Reza Salim has withdrawn due to lack of funding for his fellow speaker (also cancelled the WS session).
- Soong updated the Group Distribution as discussed by the Committee:
 - **Rapporteur Group 1:**
 - Human Rights - 9 sessions
 - **Rapporteur Group 2:**
 - CyberConnectivity - 4 sessions
 - **Rapporteur Group 3:**
 - Impact of International Agreement and Policies - 1 session
 - The Future Impact of IANA Transition - 1 session
 - Universality - 4 sessions
 - **Rapporteur Group 4:**
 - Security - 5 sessions
 - **Rapporteur Group 5:**
 - Multi-Stakeholder Model - 4 sessions
 - Others (Internet Governance in General) - 2 sessions
- Soong said that Secretariat will be responsible for assigning the fellows to different groups.

Synthesis Document Discussion

- Secretariat provided a quick update since Jennifer and Edmon could not join the meeting.
- Secretariat updated that the Drafting Committee has held the first call meeting and reviewed the draft for Draft 0.
- The announcement of Call for Public Comments on Draft0 is already out on APriGF and the event websites and it has been circulated on different lists too.

yIGF Updates

- Ng from DotAsia introduced a NetMission ambassador for organizing yIGF, Jianne Soriano, to provide some updates on the format, suggestions, etc.

- Wilson welcomed them for joining the call and suggested that they may provide updates regularly in coming MSG meetings.
- Soriano then provided some updates as below:
 - 1) Theme: cultivating digital citizenship - rights & obligations
 - It is linked to the APrIGF theme (Digital citizenship is essential to new internet era) and they think that it is important to acknowledge the youth about the use of internet and the rights & obligations.
 - Youth - use internet regularly and make use/utilize IT to engage in politics, society and others.
 - 2) Update and format - still focus on multi-stakeholder approach (role play discussion).
 - They will also encourage more participation from the youth to join the discussions on Day2/3 and contribute more to the outcome documents.
 - 3) Suggestions especially for Day0 - some participants want to interact more with senior members.
 - In last year's yIGF, there were some guests joining their IDEA wall session (some sharing and discussions with senior members).
 - They are working on the agenda and may send out invitations to MSG members later.

Action Items:

- Ng and Soriano to provide regular updates on yIGF in coming MSG meetings.

3. Election Committee

- Secretariat reported that there are 6 volunteers to be in the Election Committee, but it should only be composed of 3 members according to the Election Procedure.
- Secretariat then asked the MSG members to decide which 3 to continue, adding that Chairs can assign and appoint according to the procedure.
- Secretariat prepared the list below and shared on screen:
 - 6 volunteers (In chronological order of when they volunteered)
 - Ali Hussain, Pakistan (Private Sector)
 - Maureen Hilyard, Cook Island (Civil Society)
 - Hiro-Hotta, Japan (Private Sector/Technical)
 - Abdul Awal, Bangladesh (Civil Society)
 - Babu Ram Aryal, Nepal (Civil Society)
 - Aris Ignacio, Philippines (Academia)
- Hilyard volunteered to withdraw from the list but also noted the interests of gender balance.
- Soong doubted the limitation of the number of members in the Election Committee.
- Langdon-Orr confirmed that the Election Procedure states only 3 members should be accepted as the Chair of last year's Election Committee, adding that a balanced distribution of stakeholder groups is desirable.
- Soong asked about the reasons for such limitation.

- Langdon-Orr believed that it was part of the ROP's decided out of Singapore and she further suggested that only a lean group will be needed as it supervises; Meetings among the Committee may only be held for 2-3 times.
- Wilson suggested to select the first 3 volunteers and there is also a diversity of different sectors.
- Langdon-Orr supported the suggestion as diversity is important.
- Syed suggested to choose the first three who offered to be members or let all of them discuss among themselves and provide 3 names.
- Ang recommended that in the future MSG can first decide on stakeholder group, then ballot from among those groups.
- Wilson noted the suggestion.
- **Consensus reached: The first 3 volunteers are accepted.**

Action Items:

- Secretariat to announce the finalized members of the Election Committee and set up a list for the 3 Committee members.

4. AOB - Fellowship Data

- Wilson explained that he raised up the issue because the successful fellows' names in ICANN/IGF/ISOC/ITF/etc. are provided transparently online.
- Wilson said that he personally support the publication of the fellows' names and that Secretariat may help to contact the fellows for their consent.
- Sukumar, Langdon-Orr and Hotta thinks that the successful fellows' names need to be published.
- Langdon-Orr further suggested that the fellows can be allowed to withdraw from the publication on request.
- Soong also supported the publication of basic statistical data such as the geographical data, the organizations they belong to, etc.
- Wilson asked if Soong has received any negative comments from the recipients on the publication.
- Soong explained that he did not receive any comments but he is personally more concerned about the privacy issue.
- Wilson then confirmed with Soong if he would be supportive if the recipients are notified and consent of the fellows is reached before the publication; Soong said yes.
- Ang, Hilyard, Wong, Yee, Ignacio agreed to publish the names of the fellows.
- Hilyard added that it is to increase the transparency by doing so.
- Sukumar thinks that transparency in terms of publishing names is a must when the fellows have voluntarily submitted to a public process, to select a small group using common resources.
- Hilyard suggested that publication could be a condition of acceptance of fellowship; Langdon-Orr supported the suggestion.
- Ignacio thinks that the publication should be made mandatory.
- Wilson emphasized that transparency is essential to show public how they allocate the funding and Langdon-Orr agreed.
- Wilson then summarized that there seem to be a rough consensus to maximum transparency and thinks that Secretariat can help to notify the fellows and allow

them to voice out any objections within a week; The name list can then be published accordingly after a week.

- Soong agreed with the suggestions while pointing out his concerns about possible complaints on publishing fellows' names. He also questioned whether this is stated in the terms of the fellowship program.
- Langdon-Orr argued that unless the fellows' name cards at Registration state "anonymous" their names can be published and it can be made as a condition of accepting the funding support as Hilyard proposed.
- Ignacio thinks that it is not reasonable for fellows to complain about the publication as they are rewarded to be fellows.
- Soong illiterate that he suggested a more conservative way to avoid the possible complaints but he is not strongly opposed to the idea of publication.
- Hilyard stated that ICANN publishes their fellowship lists for every meeting but she did not hear any complaints instead of those from who were not listed.
- Hossain thinks the fellows' names and country can be published.
- **Rough consensus: To publish the fellows' names after their consent is reached.**

Action Items:

- Secretariat to get the consent from successful fellows before publishing their names on the website.

Summary of Actions Items

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- Ng and Soriano to provide regular updates on yIGF in coming MSG meetings.
- Secretariat to announce the finalized members of the Election Committee and set up a list for the 3 Committee members.
- Secretariat to get the consent from successful fellows before publishing their names on the website.

The next meeting will be held on 6 July (Wed) 2016 at 4:00 - 5:00 (UTC).