APrIGF Multi-Stakeholder Steering Group (MSG) Meeting
31 May 2017 (Wednesday)
Adobe Connect
04:00 – 05:00 (UTC)

Attendees (14):

MSG Members

Arun Sukumar, Observer Research Foundation (Civil Society) **– Vice Chair**

Babu Ram Aryal, Internet Society Nepal (Civil Society)

Chester Soong, ISOC Hong Kong (Civil Society) **– Vice Chair**

Cheryl Langdon-Orr, At-Large Member ICANN (Civil Society)

Edmon Chung, DotAsia Organisation (Technical)

Joyce Chen, ICANN APAC Hub (Technical)

Kenta Mochizuki, Yahoo Japan Corporation (Private Sector)

Mohit Sawasrat, Pepsi- Dubai Refreshments (PepsiCo Bottler) (Private Sector)

Satish Babu, Computer Society of India (Civil Society)

Shreedeep Rayamajhi, Rayznews (Civil Society)

Noelle de Guzman, Internet Society (Technical)

Non-MSG Members

Connie Chan, APNIC (Technical)

APrIGF Secretariat:

Yannis Li, DotAsia Organisation

YIGF Facilitators:

David Ng, DotAsia Organisation (Technical)

Local Host of 2017:

Absent

Apologies for absence sent in advance (7):

Gunela Astbrink, ISOC Australia (Civil Society)

Hiro Hotta, JPRS (Technical)

Hong Xue, Beijing Normal University (Academia)

Kuo-Wei Wu, NIIEPA (Technical)
Leonid Todorov, APTLD (Technical)
Maureen Hilyard, Member of At-Large of ICANN (Civil Society)
Paul Wilson, Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC) (Technical) – **Chair**

Agenda:
1. Agenda Review (Chair)
2. Minutes and Action Items Review (Chair)
3. 2017 preparation
   - Local Host Updates (Arthit/Secretariat)
   - YIGF updates (David)
   - Fellowship Committee Updates (Aris/Maureen/Secretariat)
   - Election Committee 2017 Updates (Cheryl)
4. AOB

Proceedings:

1. Minutes and Action Items Review
- Adopted the minutes of 17 May 2017 MSG meeting.
- Secretariat received revised proposal from Merger 5 but still pending updates from Merger 2.
- Wilson already responded to BIGF on the fellowship selection process which Mohammad Abdul Haque expressed his interest to join the MSG. Secretariat has followed up to add him to MSG.

Action Items:
- Adopted the minutes of 17 May 2017 MSG meeting.

2. 2017 Preparations

Local Host Updates
- Secretariat provided a brief update on behalf of the local host:
  - **Hotel & Campus House** – The hotel links are still pending to be provided by the hotel. Campus house will be booked via a google form with the University.
  - **Online Registration** – 185 registered now
  - **Invitation Letter** – Ready now to be issued to all VISA requests. Soong urged a closer follow up on the process especially with some nationals requiring longer time.

Action Items:
- Secretariat to follow up with local host on the hotel booking links.

YIGF Updates

- **Fellowship Application –** Application closed already on 21 May 2017. Received a total of 127 applications.
- **Selection Committee –**
  - Ms. Sze Ming Tan, (Fellowship Committee 2017)
  - Mr. Kelvin Wong, (Fellowship Committee 2017)
  - Mr. David Ng, Secretariat of YIGF
  - Ms. Jianne Soriano, NetMission Ambassador
  - Ms. Sherry Shek, NetMission Ambasassdor
- **Fellowship Result –** (Top 20 candidates)
  - Bangladesh - 2
  - Philippines - 2
  - India - 3
  - Myanmar - 3
  - Malaysia -1
  - Taiwan - 1
  - Cambodia - 1
  - Pakistan - 1
  - Nepal - 1
  - Indonesia - 1
  - Afghanistan - 1
  - China - 1
  - Sri Lanka - 1
  - Vietnam – 1
- The Selection Committee tried to include pacific fellow but the submissions did not score high enough and one of them did not meet the eligibility i.e. not a current student.
- Secretariat added that the final result will be released only after the confirmed final budget from the Finance department of the local host.

Fellowship Committee Updates
- ISOC Online course already set up and the 50 fellows will start the online course from 1 June for 5 weeks on the below topics:
  - Introduction to Internet Governance
  - Internet Actors and Stakeholder Groupings
  - Internet Policy Principles
  - Internet infrastructure, standards, protocols, and systems
- The online course is a self-paced learning moderated by Mr. Fouad Bajwa and Mr. Zakir Syed which fellows are divided into 2 groups.
- Secretariat mentioned that there are enquiries from fellows whether the ISOC online course is compulsory. Secretariat and Soong suggested to encourage them to take the course as it is a valuable resource and opportunity while not indicating as mandatory due to the late inclusion of the course into the fellowship program.
- Another fellowship call will be held for deciding the details of the pre-conference webinar among buddies and fellows.
- Secretariat mentioned that Chat Garcia Ramilo raised a question on whether non-MSG members can be buddies of the fellows. MSG agreed the idea of opening up buddies outside of the MSG.

Action Items:
- Secretariat to work with Chat on the suggestions of buddies outside MSG.

Election Committee 2017 Updates
- Secretariat updated that the Election Committee appointed on 31 May:
    - Ms. Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Australia (Civil Society)
    - Mr. Fouad Bajwa, Pakistan (Civil Society)
    - Mr. Shibendu Debbama, India (Academia)
- Langdon-Orr updated that the Election Process 2017 is based on the Election Procedures and process done prior with updated dates only as below proposed timetable:

DATE	ACTIVITY
Wed 24 May	Appointment of the Election Committee
Wed 31 May	Announce the ELECTION PROCESS
Fri 2 Jun	OPENING DATE for accepting NOMINATIONS for election candidates
Fri 23 Jun	CLOSING DATE for accepting nominations
Thu 29 Jun	Publication of the SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES with their bios
Fri 7 Jul	Announcement online and notification to ACTIVE MSG VOTING MEMBERS of their eligibility to vote (as per Guideline 11.1)
Wed 12 Jul	Interactive Q&A Session with Candidates in MSG Bi-weekly Meeting
Thu 29 Jun - Mon 24 Jul	Online Q&A platform Open
Mon 17 Jul	Opening date of elections
Mon 24 Jul	Closing date of elections
By Wed 26 Jul	Announcement of the Final Election Result & Publication on the APrIGF website

- Secretariat shared on the adobe chat again the Election Procedure link: http://aprigf.asia/documents/APrIGF_MSG_Election_Procedure.pdf and added that Active MSG voting members means who attended 2 meetings within 6 months before the election voting period.
- No objection from the MSG on the Election Process 2017. The Election Committee instructed the secretariat to announce the Election Process 2017.
- Langdon-Orr updated that Fouad Bajwa nominated her to be the leader of the Election Committee 2017 which she will therefore be responding to correspondences on behalf of Election Committee 2017.

Action Items:
- Secretariat to announce the Election Process 2017 and follow the agreed process and timeline accordingly.

3. A.O.B
- None.

Summary of Actions Items

- Adopted the minutes of 17 May 2017 MSG meeting.
- Secretariat to follow up with local host on the hotel booking links.
- Secretariat to work with Chat on the suggestions of buddies outside MSG.
- Secretariat to announce the Election Process 2017 and follow the agreed process and timeline accordingly.

The next meeting will be held on 14 Jun (Wed) 2017 at 4:00 - 5:00 (UTC).