#### **IGF 2023**

## **Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group (DCCG)**

## Virtual Meeting #72 | 17 May 2023

**Summary Report** 

## I. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda of the DCCG meeting #72 was adopted as proposed.

The new Dynamic Coalition Focal Person from the IGF Secretariat, Celine Bal, introduced herself. The call was moderated by the DCCG co-facilitator Markus Kummer. The List of participants is attached as Annex.

## II. Use of the UN emblem and the IGF logo

#### **Key points raised:**

- The Secretariat informed participants that DCs cannot make use of the UN emblem in their
  outreach documents, as DCs are self-organized, voluntary groups that contribute to the IGF
  but are not under the authority of the UN. As DCs had been compared to UN volunteers, it
  was also explained that UN volunteers is a programme that is organized and administered by
  the UN, and, as such, can make use of the official UN emblem.
- The Secretariat confirmed that, as IGF entities, DCs can use the IGF logo. This logo is not subject to the strict rules of the UN emblem that is governed by international law as enshrined in various General Assembly resolutions.
- Participants were informed that the limitation of use of the UN emblem is not unique to DCs, as other self-formed groups, such as NRIs, are not entitled to use the UN logo either.
- The Secretariat was asked how to properly describe the role of DCs in relation to the UN when communicating externally. It was agreed that a standardized descriptive phrase will be added to the DC webpage.

#### **Next steps**

Prior to the upcoming MAG meeting, the Secretariat will publish a page with guidelines on the use of the UN emblem and IGF logo. The page will include a sentence describing DC's relation to the UN to properly communicate externally about DCs.

## III. Draft Charter<sup>1</sup> of DCs

## **Key points raised:**

- The revised draft charter circulated prior to the call had taken past comments into consideration.
- As there was a strong resistance towards defining two different classes of DC membership, the charter shows now more flexibility; recognizing that not every DC member is going to be equally active (e.g., voluntary members can't always engage on a consistent basis, certain members have niche interests...). DCs are free to organize themselves, however, there should be a minimum participation required.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Link to Dynamic Coalition Charter Document: Charter of the Dynamic Coalitions Revision.docx - Google Docs

- It was suggested that the DCCG should also have a thematic focus in addition to setting DC procedures. The DCCG was open to such a proposal and the DCs' contribution to the GDC was seen as an example of a more thematic approach.
- It was asked whether the DCCG could be chaired by different DCs on a rotational basis. The benefits of keeping a stable Group moderator to allow continuity in workflows were mentioned, however, rotational (DC) co-facilitators could indeed add value to the governance of the DCCG. This suggestion can further be discussed.
- It was suggested to add a deadline on terminating a DC after a few years of inactivity (suggestion: 2-3 years). This suggestion will be included in the charter and will further be discussed in the next DCCG meeting.
- The sentence that "DC members that are *expected* to attend the monthly DCCG meetings" was found to be confusing. While coordinators should attend the meetings and appoint official representatives in case of absence, DC members should only be *encouraged* to attend the monthly DCCG meetings. The updated charter will reflect this comment.
- There was a general feeling that the charter should allow for flexibility to the extent possible.

## **Next steps**

Members are invited to review the Charter and leave comments in the <u>Google document</u>. The secretariat will present an updated version at the upcoming DCCG meeting.

#### IV. Intersessional event

#### **Key points raised:**

- The Secretariat submitted the intersessional event concept note to the MAG chair who is in approval with this idea. The event will be included on the agenda of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Open Consultation to be adopted by the MAG during its upcoming virtual meeting next week.
- There have been several registrations on the sign-up sheet<sup>2</sup> across the intersessional spectrum, including many NRIs. Five DCs signed up. The secretariat is considering eliminating the deadline to allow people to join on a rolling basis.
- It was asked whether any (short) documentation will be prepared to inform the wider IGF community about DC's work, as there will not be enough time during the event for all DCs to talk about their activities. It was mentioned that DC webpages provide a good overview about their work, even though it is not clear on the website when the last update took place.
- It was mentioned that the event would follow a more dynamic process. Ideas should be shared during the event and paper submissions should be avoided.
- The event is an opportunity to present this year's IGF programme themes to the DC.
   Discussions would also promote DC's work and help shape the IGF meeting with input from DCs potentially feeding into the programme.
- It was mentioned that a new consultant for the Policy Network on AI recently joined, and she will soon set up a call for this PN.

#### **Next steps**

DC representatives are encouraged to sign up for the event on the Google sheet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Link to the sign-up sheet for the intersessional event: <u>IGF 2023 Second OC and MAG Intersessional</u> Presentation Registration - Google Sheets

- > The Secretariat will start reaching out to those who already signed up and help form working groups to start discussing themes.
- > The Secretariat will provide more guidance for the intersessional event on the next call.

## V. Follow-up on contribution to the GDC

### **Key points raised:**

- The collective input provided by DCs has been submitted to the GDC and went in the supplementary information.
- There were five individual DC submissions. Three did not contribute to the joint DC submission:
  - o DC on Network Neutrality
  - o DC on Platform Responsibility
  - DC on Community Connectivity
- Two other DCs also submitted individually:
  - Dynamic Coalition on Accessibility and Disability
  - Internet Standards, Security, and Safety Coalition
- The joint submission also included a section on the Youth Coalition.
- It is not known if other DCs contributed to the GDC by filling out the online questionnaire.
- The suggestion was made to inform the IGF community about the DCs' active contribution to the GDC process, and that DCs wish to stay engaged and to follow-up on the thematic work.
- The Tech Envoy is to attend the forthcoming Leadership Panel meeting in Geneva, which will represent an opportunity to interact with him.

#### **Next steps**

- > DCs are encouraged to participate in the next 4 thematic deep dives taking place on:
  - 25 May 2023 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. ET
     Artificial Intelligence and other emerging technologies
  - 25 May 2023 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ET
     Digital trust and security
  - 14 June 2023 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. ET Global digital commons
  - 14 June 2023 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ET
     Accelerating progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- The registration links are available <u>here</u>.

## VI. Any other business

- The deadline for the submission of session proposals has been extended to 24 May 2023, 23:59 UTC.
- Participants were asked to log in to upcoming DCCG meetings mentioning their DC next to their names on Zoom for meeting records purposes.
- A Doodle Poll will be sent out to schedule two DCCG meetings ahead of the MAG meeting.
- DCs were asked to acknowledge and reflect on their active work and achievement of the past year, such as setting up the intersessional event or DCs' contribution to the GDC.

## Annex I

# **List of Participants**

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Co-Facilitators		
Markus	Kummer	
Jutta	Kroll	
Adam	Peake	ICANN (MAG liaison)
Participants		
Wout	De Natris	Internet Standards, Security, and Safety Coalition
Mark	Carvell	Internet Standards, Security, and Safety Coalition
Stefan	Fischer	Internet Society German Chapter (Guest)
David	O'Maley	
Eleni	Boursinou	DC on Open Educational Resources
Moses	Owiny	Member of the Policy Network on Internet Fragmentation
Olivier	Kouami	Internet Standards, Security, and Safety Coalition
Aïssatou	Dabo	DC on Open Educational Resources
Nikolis	Smith	DC on Domain Name System Issues
Olivier	Crépin-Leblond	DC on Core Internet Values
Tracy F.	Hackshaw	DC on Small Island Developing States in the Internet Economy
June	Parris	DC on Data Driven Health Technologies
Phyo	Thiri Lwin	Youth Coalition on Internet Governance
Muhammad	Shabbir	DC on Accessibility and Disability
Laura Becana	Ball	DC-Sustainability
Maartin	Botterman	DC on Internet of Things
Judith	Hellerstein	DC on Accessibility and Disability
Zeynep	Varoglu	DC on Open Educational Resources
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