<u>DCCG Contributions to WG-Strategy Plan of Activities for the WSIS+20 Review</u>

Reference: Email from Bruna Martins to the MAG WG-Strategy list on 14 February 2025

1. Work on a paper reinforcing the mission of the IGF and its long-term contribution to the digital cooperation and internet governance space.

Suggestion for DCCG contribution to WG-Strategy paper:

A contribution to the narrative on the IGF's intersessional activities is provided which explains the contribution of the 30+ DCs to the mission of the IGF and how the outputs of DCs are integrated with IGF outcomes. This should be illustrated with examples from a diverse selection of recent DC outputs, in relation to digital cooperation and Internet governance.

2. Draft a panel submission to WSIS +20 OCP in order to host discussions during the High-Level event in Geneva.

Suggestion:

DCCG nominates a representative to be a panel member to speak about the DC community, how DCs contribute to the outcomes of the IGF in the form of policy recommendations, capacity building guidance and toolkits, and research analysis and data, including the expected outcomes for 2025 and how they can contribute to the GDC implementation and the SDGs.

3. Host a dialogue webinar with ODET and other UN Agencies on the implementation of Para 71 of the GDC (MAP), together with DCs, NRIs and other intersessional work.

Suggestion:

A representative of the DCCG participates in the webinar to present a summary of:

i) the DC clusters, highlighting with examples the range and diversity of output-oriented work and ongoing capacity building initiatives undertaken by DCs.

ii) activities undertaken by DCCG members in support of:
a) the Oslo IGF programme;
b) NRI initiatives;
c) implementation of GDC commitments;
d) specific sustainable development goals (SDGs) in the UN 2030 Agenda framework;
e) information sharing with UN member state administrations in preparation for the WSIS+20 Review and;]

4. Host a webinar on the implementation of the NM+10 Sao Paulo Multistakeholder Guidelines implementation to the IGF work. Focal groups: NRIs, DCs, PNs, and BPFs + MAG.

Suggestion:

DCCG prepares a DC narrative to be presented during the webinar which explains how DCs contribute to the aim of the São Paulo Guidelines to strengthen the IGF process, through:

i) providing focus on specific policy opportunities and challenges arising from current and emerging technologies;
ii) producing concrete outcomes in the form of policy recommendations, guidelines and practical toolkits, for adoption by governments, non-governmental organisations, institutions, and corporate and individual users of Internet and digital technologies;
iii) undertaking capacity building activities and sharing best practice.

The narrative should also explain how the activities of DCs are managed in ways that are fully consistent with the São Paulo Guidelines, in particular with regard to:
i) definition of policy focus and mission;
ii) sustained inclusive and geographically diverse multistakeholder collaboration;
iii) openness, accountability and transparency of process and;
iv) inclusive consensus-based decision-taking, based on effective and comprehensive procedures of consultation that ensure all diverse perspectives are taken fully into account.

5. Consider actions for fostering Governmental Engagement.

Suggestion:

DCCG should ensure that the contributions of DCs to policy enhancement and DCs' outcomes generally are recognised by national governments and intergovernmental organisations and are included in the programme of governmental engagement and IGF outreach generally. Key messages for the outreach to governments and IGOs are:
i) DCs are open to government and IGO support and participation;
ii) DCs look to national and regional government and IGO policymakers to promote recognition of DC outputs and to advocate their adoption and implementation by all relevant stakeholders in their regional, national and local communities.

6. Draft a high level Multistakeholder statement addressing the UNGA Presidency highlighting the importance of the IGF and the need for it to be transformed into a permanent effort and forum.

Suggestion:

The DCCG should propose that the high level statement emphasises the value of the IGF's intersessional work and in particular the contribution of the outcomes of DCs to Internet and digital policy development, the dissemination of best practice, and their relevance generally to advancing the social and economic welfare of citizens in all regions of the world.