

A Technical Community Coalition for Multistakeholderism (TCCM)

15:45-16:45
18 December 2024
UN IGF, Riyadh

Plan for today's session

- 15:45 - 16:05:** Presentation on TCCM
- 16:05 - 16:25:** Question & Answer session with panellists
- 16:25 - 16:45:** Networking opportunity for in-person attendees
- Facilitated discussion for online attendees**

The context in which a TCCM emerged

- 2024 and 2025 are key years for Internet governance with GDC and WSIS+20 review
- The multistakeholder approach to Internet governance is at risk, and those who care must engage to defend it
- Clear need for the Internet technical community to be active, but lack of an active mechanism for coordination of the Internet technical community
- Due diligence —--> forming up the Coalition
- It is “a” technical community coalition - not claiming a mandate from or for the whole community
- A realistic appreciation of the failures to hit the SDGs and digital inequality in addition to the technical resilience of the Internet’s technical architecture, and the revolution witnessed over the past 20 years

A common goal (taken from TCCM Statement of Purpose)

“We the undersigned are committed to defending, evolving and strengthening multistakeholderism in decision-making and dialogues about the Internet.

It is imperative that people who manage the Internet’s operations are involved - on equal terms as governments and other stakeholders - in discussions, deliberations and decisions about the Internet’s future and its governance.

An evolved and strengthened multistakeholder approach is the best path forward to ensure that the Internet remains open, free, global, secure, resilience and interoperable - available to all.”



We support the capacity of members to engage in current Internet governance dialogues and processes by:

- Information exchange
- Development of views through discussion
- Development of joint positions for greater impact together

TCCM in 2024

- Discussions to test the idea (ICANN Puerto Rico)
- Building a Secretariat and way of working
- Building a community and a mailing list (from March)
- Releasing a Statement of Purpose (June)
- Expansion of Secretariat (August)
- Launching a website (September)

Engagement and joint statements in 2024

- April: joint blog launching the coalition
- April: joint statement to UN consultation on GDC zero draft
- May: joint statement to UN consultation on GDC rev. 1
- June: TCCM Statement of Purpose
- July: joint statement to second UN consultation on GDC rev. 1
- August: joint statement on our concerns re the GDC process
- August: joint statement to UN consultation on GDC rev. 3
- September: submission to CWG-Internet on the developmental aspects to strengthen the Internet
- October: joint statement on GDC adoption
- November: TCCM Day 0 Event at ICANN Istanbul

High-level plans for 2025

- WSIS+20 review = key area of focus.
- TCCM laid groundwork for engagement via contributions to the GDC process.
- Plan to develop positions to champion on a shared basis, including with government partners to boost our messaging.

Working approach to WSIS+20 review

- Objective 1: secure a multistakeholder process for the WSIS+20 review
- Objective 2: ensure implementation of the GDC does not cut across WSIS+20
- Objective 3: secure defensive outcomes in WSIS+20
(e.g. commitment to multistakeholder model of IG, technical community recognised as distinct group)
- Objective 4: secure progressive outcomes in WSIS+20
(e.g. indefinite renewal of IGF mandate, sustainable funding for IGF secured, improvements to IGF)
- Objective 5: collective agreement on meaning of “enhanced cooperation” and what it means in practice

Opportunities to contribute to the WSIS process

- Jan 2025
 - ITU consultation on WSIS Action Lines (due by 31 Jan)
- Feb 2025:
 - UN ESCWA - Digital Cooperation and Development Forum
 - UNESCO Global Forum on AI and Digital Transformation in the Public Sector (12-13 Feb)
 - Third and fourth open consultations on WSIS High Level Event
- March 2025:
 - Engagement at ICANN 82 - 8-13 March - Seattle
 - WSIS+20 High Level Event Open Consultation Process submission deadline (14 March)

Opportunities to contribute to the WSIS process

- April 2025:
 - CSTD - Geneva - 7-11 April
- May 2025
 - Expected appointment of Co-Facs who will start work on Zero Draft WSIS+20 resolution
- June 2025:
 - Presentation of final brief on WSIS High-Level Event (10 June)
 - ITU Council (17-27 June)
 - IGF Norway (23-27 June)
- July 2025:
 - WSIS +20 High-Level Event - Geneva - 7-11 July
- September 2025
 - UN General Assembly - New York

Considering TCCM membership?

Perspectives from someone who is too!

Q&A session

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