APrIGF Multi-Stakeholder Steering Group (MSG) Meeting
16 Sep 2015 (Wednesday)
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04:00 – 05:00 (UTC)

**Attendees(15):**
Ang Peng Hwa, SiRC, Singapore (Academia)
Arun Sukumar, Observer Research Foundation, India (Civil Society)
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Australia (Civil Society)
Chester Soong, ISOC Hong Kong (Civil Society) – **Vice Chair**
Edmon Chung, DotAsia Organisation (Technical)
Gunela Astbrink, ISOC AU (Civil Society)
Hiro Hotta, JPNIC (Private Sector)
Hong Xue, Beijing Normal University (Academia)
Jia Rong Low, ICANN (Technical)
Kelvin Wong, ICANN (Technical)
Klee Aiken, APNIC (Technical)
Mohit Saraswat, Pepsi Co, United Arab Emirates (Private Sector)
Shreedeep Rayamajhi, RayzNews, Nepal (Civil Society)
Sylvia Cadena, APNIC (Technical)
Zakir Syed, SAMENA Telecommunications Council (Civil Society)

**APrIGF Secretariat:**
Yannis Li, DotAsia Organisation

**Local Host of 2016:**
Sophie, NIIEPA

**Agenda:**
1. Minutes and Action Items Review
2. Taipei 2016 Preparation
3. Election Process Updates
4. RFP 2017
5. IGF Brazil
6. A.O.B
Proceedings:
1. Minutes and Action Items Review
   - The minutes of MSG Meeting on 18 Aug has been reviewed and adopted
   - Cheryl-Langdon Orr has been selected among the Election Committee to be the Chair and will provide updates in the later agenda item.
   - The conference report of 2015 has been published and submitted to the IGF secretariat with comments received from MSG members
   - The voting members list and been published with Q&A Elections Page on APrIGF.asia
   - The RFP 2017 has been opened and published on the website.
   - The minutes of MSG Meeting on 2 Sep has been reviewed and adopted.

Action Items:
   - Adopted the minutes of 18 Aug and 2 Sep 2015.

2. Taipei 2016 Preparation
   - The local host is currently working on the 2016 website development and targeted to be open in mid October.
   - The local host has prepared the sponsorship package with the below categories:
     - Platinum – USD10,000
     - Gold – USD5,000
     - Silver – USD3,000
     - Bronze – USD1,000

Discussions:
   - Ang has concerned on whether there is potential sponsors for each category. He encouraged the MSG members to refer potential sponsors to the local host.

3. Election for 2015
   - An Election Page has been created on the APrIGF Website with the Candidates Listings and also the list of Eligible Voting Members.
   - A Q&A platform has also been created under the Election Page where everyone is welcome to raise questions to the candidates including non voting-member.
   - The voting period is from 23 Sep – 30 Sep 2015 whereby eligible voting member will receive the voting credentials separately before the voting begins.

Discussions:
   - There were suggestions on arranging a call session for people to directly talk to the candidates. However, Langdon-Orr replied that due to the tight timeline, there is concern on getting a good target turn up for a good session which Saraswat also echoed the time difference problem for everybody, it is therefore more feasible to keep the Q&A platform as it is unless there is critical mass requesting for a call session.
   - Ang raised a concern that the candidates are relatively new to the MSG members which an opportunity for questions is important. He asked whether the Q&A will be a discussion forum where everybody can see the answers.
Secretariat confirmed that the Q&A is open where all answers are public without moderations.

- Ang agreed to kick-start and submit the first question to the candidates.

**Action Items:**
- Secretariat to consolidate the Q&As and inform the voting members before the voting period.

4. **RFP 2017**

- Secretariat has already published the RFP 2017 online at APriIGF website and the deadline is set to be at 11 Dec 2015 before Christmas holiday so that decision could be made if an extension period is required.
- Previous comments from MSG members have been incorporated
- The RFP has been promoted during AP* retreat and also the APTLD meeting in Jakarta.

**Action Items:**
- Secretariat to announce the open call of RFP for 2017 Local Host to different mailing lists.

5. **IGF Brazil**

- Cadena updated that the IGF secretariat is now calling for contribution to the horizontal themes “Connecting the Next Billion” and also the comments for the regional/national initiatives survey which the deadline is in the upcoming week.
- Secretariat raised the question that whether the MSG would like to have a meeting in IGF Brazil. MSG members feedback that it will be difficult to decide during the meeting without knowing how many members will actually be there.

**Action Item:**
- Secretariat to work on the IGF survey and contributions.
- Secretariat to initiate the discussion on the mailing list on IGF Brazil and see who are attending

6. **A.O.B**

- None.

**Summary of Actions Items**
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The next meeting will be held on 30 Sep 2015 at 04:00 UTC.