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

Attendees (19):
MSG Members
Arun Sukumar, Observer Research Foundation (Civil Society) - **Vice-Chair**
Chat Garcia Ramilo, Association for Progressive Communications (Civil Society)
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ICANN (Civil Society)
Edmon Chung, DotAsia Organisation (Technical)
Gunela Astbrink, Internet Society Australia (ISOC AU) (Civil Society)
Hiro Hotta, JPRS (Private Sector)
Hong Xue, Beijing Normal University (Academia)
Jahangir Hossain, Internet Society Bangladesh Dhaka (Civil Society)
Noelle de Guzman, Asia Pacific, Internet Society (ISOC)
Paul Wilson, Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC) (Technical) - **Chair**
TH Schee, Open Knowledge Taiwan (Private Sector)

Non-MSG Members
Connie Chan, APNIC (Technical)
Kelvin Wong, ICANN (Technical)
Kilnam Chon, KAIST (Academia)
Klee Aiken, APNIC (Technical)

APrIGF Secretariat:
Maggie Lo, DotAsia Organisation
Yannis Li, DotAsia Organisation

Local Host of 2016:
Kuo Wei Wu, NIIPEA (Technical)
Lynn Lin, NIIPEA (Technical)
Una Chen, NIIPEA (Technical)

Agenda:
1. Minutes and Action Items Review
2. Taipei 2016 Preparation
3. Asia Pacific School of Internet Governance (APSIG)
4. A.O.B (RPF 2017)
Proceedings:
1. Minutes and Action Items Review

- The minutes of MSG Meeting on 28 Oct has been reviewed and adopted.
- Secretariat reported that all the action items on the minutes on 28 Oct are done.
- The minutes of IGF Brazil meeting on 11 Nov has not yet been circulated by the Secretariat on the mailing list. It will be adopted in the next meeting.
- Garcia Ramilo asked if there are any decisions made on the Secretariat proposal. Wilson replied no decision has been made and further discussion is required.

Action Items:
- Adopted the minutes of 28 Oct 2015.
- Secretariat to circulate the minutes of 11 Nov, 2015 and to be reviewed and adopted in the next meeting.

2. Taipei 2016 Preparation

Updates from local host

- **Call for Proposal** - Local host updated that "Call for proposal" website page is now ready and will follow the adopted timeline. Current website link: [http://2016.aprigf.asia](http://2016.aprigf.asia).
- **Meeting Room** - The meeting venue has been reserved from 8:30 am to 6:30 pm from 25-29 July, 2016 and it could be extended until 7pm for the APSIG.
- **Dates** - Local host suggested the following arrangement of the dates to avoid clashing APSIG with APrIGF main conference:
  - 25-26 July, 2016 (Mon & Tue) – APSIG
  - 26 July, 2016 (Tue) – Pre-Event of APrIGF
  - 27-29 July, 2016 (Wed-Fri) – Main Conference of APrIGF
- **Transportation** - Chon also asked about the local transport arrangement whether 8:30 is a good time to start; Local host explained that the venue location is 10 min walking distance to metro station which is very convenient so there should be no worries about traffic jam in the morning.
- **Accommodations** - Local host added that more hotel rooms will be arranged nearby next month and will further update the MSG members.
- **Government Invitation** - Local host reported that the U.S Embassy in Taiwan expressed interests in participating the conference and potentially inviting representative from Department of Commerce.
- **Budgeting** - Chon asked for the room rental/meeting package cost for the extra days to prepare the APSIG’s budget. Wu answered to get back as soon as possible in 1-2 weeks time.

Overarching theme & Sub-themes

- Secretariat confirmed the agreed finalized overarching theme to be "The New Internet Era" while "call for workshop" will start today and last until Feb 2.
- Interested parties can submit their proposals using the online registration form.
• Secretariat reported that the sub-themes were not finalized from the Brazil meeting and will be decided based on the proposals submitted from the past experience.
• Local host suggested to adopt the following proposed sub-themes:
  ▪ (1) Impact of IANA transition
  ▪ (2) Universal Acceptance
  ▪ (3) Security
  ▪ (4) Human Right
  ▪ (5) TPP's impact to Internet
• Garcia Ramilo thinks that sub-themes should be open to proposals.
• Langdon-Orr is ok with adopting Local host's suggestions and publishing them with "call for workshop" while mentioning that proposals are not limited to those themes.
• Wu responded that sub-themes should not be too diverse as they need a solid summary of APRIGF but they also welcome proposals that are beyond the listed sub-themes.
• Wilson agreed that sub-themes should not be exclusive.
• Xue said that the sub-themes should be broad and inclusive.
• Garcia Ramilo supported the idea of designated/suggested sub-themes while proposal submission remains open. Wilson agreed.
• Astbrink also thinks that it is ok as long as people are clear that they can submit proposals beyond the sub-themes.
• Local host agreed that there shall be brief description added under each sub-theme in response to Garcia Ramilo’s clarification question on Universal Acceptance.
• Wilson asked Local host to post the list of sub-themes and brief description on the mailing list for discussion; Local host agreed.
• **Decision Taken** - There is a consensus that a non-exclusive initial list of sub-themes can be published with clear statement that other sub-themes can also be suggested.
• **Deadline for Finalization** - Chon asked for the deadline for the finalized list of sub-themes. Wilson proposed that it should be by the end of this week in order to follow the call for workshop timeline.

**Action Items:**
- Local Host to circulate the suggestion for sub-themes with their brief description on the MSG mailing list.
- MSG members to continue discussion on the sub-themes on the mailing list and make the decision by 27 Nov (Fri).
- Local Host to launch online application for "Call for Workshop" by 27 Nov (Fri).

3. Asia Pacific School of Internet Governance (APSIG)

• Chon reported that they are now discussing the scheduling and subjects which is expected to be posted in 2 weeks.
• The APSIG-discuss list is mainly for discussing the program and intended to call on a monthly basis with the first meeting on 26 Nov 2015, the next day of the
MSG meeting,

- Chon updated that the program committee of APSIG is currently formed by half MSG members and half non-members and not necessarily an MSG member.
- Chon said that there are 3 categories for the classes in consideration now:
  1. Core Classes – Repeat Annually
  2. Hot Topics/Emerging Issues – Differ every year in tutorials format to be handled by APILP/APrIGF in the first 2 years.
  3. Role Play Class – volunteers from east Asia required. No prior experience.
- Chon thinks that APSIG and APrIGF needs to be synchronized on the program content. The sub-themes will help on deciding the topics for the role-play class.
- Xue suggested that there should be synchronization in communications to avoid duplicated mails.
- Garcia Ramilo asked for clarification of the structure—whether APSIG committee is a sub-committee of MSG to APrIGF.
- **Decision Taken** - Wilson reckoned that it is good to have a program committee for APSIG which welcomes both MSG and non-MSG members, and suggested that a sub-committee for APSIG under APrIGF with a reporting relations to the MSG will be the general direction for the Taipei preparation. Chon agreed.
- He mentioned that APSIG is changing over time and added that it is important to include more local IGF and SIG participation in APSIG and APrIGF in the future.
- Secretariat proposed to call for volunteers for the sub-committee from MSG on the mailing list.
- Sukumar volunteered to liaise between APrIGF and APSIG and report back to MSG when necessary.
- Chon encouraged all MSG members to read the objective of APSIG in the About page on http://apsig.asia.

**Action Items:**
- Secretariat to call for volunteers from MSG member to join the sub-committee on APSIG preparation at Taipei 2016.

4. **A.O.B (RFP 2017)**
- Secretariat reminded the submission deadline 11 Dec for RFP of 2017 Local Host.
- Secretariat reported that an expression of interest from Australian government has been received.

**Action Items:**
- Secretariat to circulate a reminder for RFP 2017 on the mailing list.

**Summary of Actions Items**
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The next meeting will be held on 9 Dec 2015 at 04:00 UTC.