APrIGF Multi-Stakeholder Steering Group (MSG) Meeting
17 May 2017 (Wednesday)
Adobe Connect
04:00 – 05:00 (UTC)

Attendees (21):
MSG Members
Ali Hussain, Pakistan Information Security Association (PISA) (Private Sector)
Chester Soong, ISOC Hong Kong (Civil Society) – Vice Chair
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, At-Large Member ICANN (Civil Society)
Don Hollander, I2 Consultants (Private Sector)
Hiro Hotta, JPRS (Technical)
Izumi Okutani, JPNIC (Technical)
Jia Rong Low, ICANN APAC Hub (Technical)
Joyce Chen, ICANN APAC Hub (Technical)
Kenta Mochizuki, Yahoo Japan Corporation (Private Sector)
Maureen Hilyard, At-Large Member of ICANN (Civil Society)
Mohit Sawasrat, Pepsi- Dubai Refreshments (PepsiCo Bottler) (Private Sector)
Rajnesh Singh, Internet Society APAC Bureau (Technical)
Satish Babu, Computer Society of India (Civil Society)
Shibendu Debbarma, Tripura University (Academia)
Shreedeeap Rayamajhi, Rayznews (Civil Society)
Sivasubramanian Muthusamy, Internet Society India Chennai (Civil Society)
Szeming Tan, Sinar Project (Civil Society)
Mohammad Abdul Awal, Internet Society Bangladesh Dhaka Chapter (Civil Society)

Non-MSG Members
Klee Aiken, APNIC (Technical)

APrIGF Secretariat:
Yannis Li, DotAsia Organisation

YIGF Facilitators:
David Ng, DotAsia Organisation (Technical)
Local Host of 2017:
Absent

Apologies for absence sent in advance (5):
Duangthip Chomprang, GITEC (Civil Society)
Hong Xue, Beijing Normal University (Academia)
Paul Wilson, Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC) (Technical) – Chair
Sylvia Cadena, APNIC (Technical)
Maheeshwara Kirindigoda, Uva Province Governor’s Office, Sri Lanka (Government)

Agenda:
1. Agenda Review (Chair)
2. Minutes and Action Items Review (Chair)
3. 2017 preparation
   - Local Host Updates (Arthit/Secretariat)
   - YIGF updates (David)
   - Program Committee Updates (Cheryl/Chester)
   - Fellowship Committee Updates (Aris/Maureen)
4. AOB

Proceedings:

1. Minutes and Action Items Review
   - Adopted the minutes of 19 Apr and 3 May 2017 MSG meeting.
   - Program agenda has been released online with all additional workshop organizers informed.
   - Secretariat is following up with ISOC on the administrative process of online course provision for fellows.
   - The final draft of response to BIGF has been circulated by Hilyard to MSG.
   - 3 MSG members have volunteered to join the Election Committee 2017 and the volunteering period will remain open until 22 May. Should there be more volunteers, current chairs may have to appoint 3 members from the pool.
   - Secretariat has already submitted the workshop proposal to IGF Geneva on Synthesis Document which result shall be expected in late June after the MAG meeting.

Action Items:
   - Adopted the minutes of 19 Apr and 3 May 2017 MSG meeting.

2. 2017 Preparations

Local Host Updates
   - Secretariat provided a brief update on behalf of the local host:
- **Venue** – Mahitaladhibesra Building
  - 2nd Floor -
    1 x Grand Hall (700 pax) – For Opening and Closing
    2 x Lecture Theatre (200 pax) – For Townhall session
    2 x Workshop Room (100 pax)
  - 6th Floor -
    1 x Secretariat Room (20 pax)
    1 x YIGF Room (80 pax)
    4 x Other Rooms (40 pax) – e.g. Prayer Room, side-meetings
- **Accommodation** – CU International House will be used for all fellows and youth IGF participants
- **Hotel** – Main hotel is Pathumwan Princess Hotel which is built on the university land that allows a good conference rate. It’s a 20 mins walk from the venue and yet shuttle bus could be arranged. Booking deadline is 25 June and the booking links will be updated soon.
- **Lunch** – In a separate auditorium with air-conditioning instead of the original planned

**YIGF Updates**
- **Fellowship Application** – Deadline 21 May 2017. Received 46 applications as of 17 May. Funding capacity is estimated to support around 20 regional fellows.
- **Selection Committee** –
  - 2 MSG members
  - 1 Secretariat
  - 2 NetMission Ambassadors
- **Fellowship Result** – Target to release in late May or early June
- **Participants** – Partnered with Southville International School and College that they could also support some Philippine students to join. Expecting 20-30 local students joining.
  - Don enquired if any one from Pacific applied and Ng mentioned the applications are mainly from Asia region currently.

**Program Committee Updates**
- Soong updated that further discussions have been done to finalize the additional workshops to be selected.
- Secretariat noted that the lunch box will be arranged for fellows and YIGF participants on Prep Day as well as for MSG members during the MSG meeting on Day 2.
- Secretariat confirmed that the agenda shall be final unless workshop organizers requesting any changes due to speakers conflict.
- Secretariat mentioned that more discussions have to be followed up on the division of group work for fellows to be rapporteurs during the closing plenary.
- Soong enquired about the speakers confirmation status of the selected workshops. Secretariat shared that from past experience organizers would
take a bit of time to further finalize their list of speakers and will follow up within end of May.
• Secretariat updated that there will be a side event organized by Global Partners Digital
• Chen enquired about Thai IGF and secretariat replied that the agenda is still yet to be confirmed.

Action Items:
• Secretariat to follow up with workshop organizers on their progress.

Fellowship Committee Updates
• Hilyard updated that there has not been a Fellowship Committee call but the draft response to BIGF has been finalized and welcome any final feedback from MSG or otherwise it is ready to be sent back to BIGF. No objection from the MSG and the final version is endorsed.
• The call for volunteers for buddy program is opened and deadline is 30 May. Secretariat encouraged MSG members who planned to be on-site to volunteer, so that we could have more buddies for the fellows and further reduce the buddy to fellows ratio.

Action Items:
- MSG endorsed the draft response to BIGF regarding the fellowship result and secretariat to coordinate on the respond to BIGF.

3. A.O.B
- Hollander suggested to bring the religious community representatives into APrIGF as participants which he believes will provide interesting perspectives especially with the Pacific region. He enquired if any specific effort has been made regarding that.
- Soong and other MSG members agreed that APrIGF is open and welcome any diversity. It is reiterated that the MSG will not exclude any participation from anyone and that MSG is neutral to any members’ individual effort to reach out to other communities.
- Okutani pinpointed that we shall ensure that we are not favoring a particular religious group over any of the others. Other MSG members echoed the importance.

Summary of Actions Items
• Adopted the minutes of 19 Apr and 3 May 2017 MSG meeting
• Secretariat to follow up with workshop organizers on their progress
• MSG endorsed the draft response to BIGF regarding the fellowship result and secretariat to coordinate on the respond to BIGF.

The next meeting will be held on 31 May (Wed) 2017 at 4:00 - 5:00 (UTC).