



Internet Governance – The Global Agenda

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Overview

- Introductory remarks
- WSIS Review Process:
 - WSIS+10 UNESCO, Paris; ITU, Sharm El Sheik
 - IGF - Baku & Bali
 - CSTD WG on Enhanced Cooperation
 - UN GA Review 2015
- ITU Forums: WCIT-12
WTPF
WTDC; PP14 ; WRC-15
- Conclusion



Introductory remarks: IG in the focus

- Internet: complex, evolving ecosystem – equilibrium
- IG issues may influence equilibrium, e.g.:
 - Self-regulation vs. control
 - Principles vs. regulations
 - Security vs. privacy
 - Economic, social impact
 - IT regulations and the Internet, etc.
- Meetings in 2012- 2013: *ICANN, CSTD/ECOSOC, Cyberspace Conference, IGF, WCIT, UNGA, WSIS+10 WTPF, etc.* – part of learning curve



WSIS Review Process

- UNGA 67/195 December, 2012
Reaffirms the role of the GA in the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the WSIS, to be held by the end of 2015, and decides to consider the modalities for the review process by the end of 2013;
- UNESCO Paris, February 2013
WSIS+10: Towards Knowledge Society: sessions on IDN, Enhanced Cooperation, Principles, Content, Multilingualism
- ITU/UNESCO/UNCTAD/UNDP May, 2013
WSIS Forum : Ministerial Round Table, High Level Dialogue; Thematic Workshops; Action Line Facilitator Meeting, etc.
- ITU Sharm el Sheikh April 2014 WSIS+10 review meeting



Internet Governance Forum

- IGF 2012 Baku
 - statistics - 1600+ participants
 - taking stock/lessons learned
 - way forward
- Preparation of IGF 2013 Bali
 - Paris meeting
 - proposed themes; call for workshop proposals
 - MAG Working Groups
 1. IG principles
 2. Workshop Assessment Criteria
 3. Implementation of CSTD WG recommendations
 4. Multi-stakeholder principles and EC
 - Geneva meeting May 2013



Enhanced Cooperation - Tunis Agenda

- 69.** We further recognize the need for EC in the future, to enable governments, on an equal footing, to carry out their roles and responsibilities, in international public policy issues pertaining to the Internet, but not in the day-to-day technical and operational matters, that do not impact on international public policy issues.
- 71.** The process towards EC, to be started by the UN SG, involving all relevant organizations by the end of the first quarter of 2006, will involve all stakeholders in their respective roles, will proceed as quickly as possible consistent with legal process, and will be responsive to innovation. Relevant organizations should commence a process towards enhanced cooperation involving all stakeholders, proceeding as quickly as possible and responsive to innovation. The same relevant organizations shall be requested to provide annual performance reports.



EC Background - Consultations

- 2006 - Nitin Desai, UN SG Special Adviser – Informal consultations – No agreement
- 2008 - UNSG invited 10 organizations to report on EC progress
- 2010 – UN USG convened a multi-stakeholder consultation
- 2012 – UNCSTD Chair conducted a multi-stakeholder consultation



CSTD WG on Enhanced Cooperation

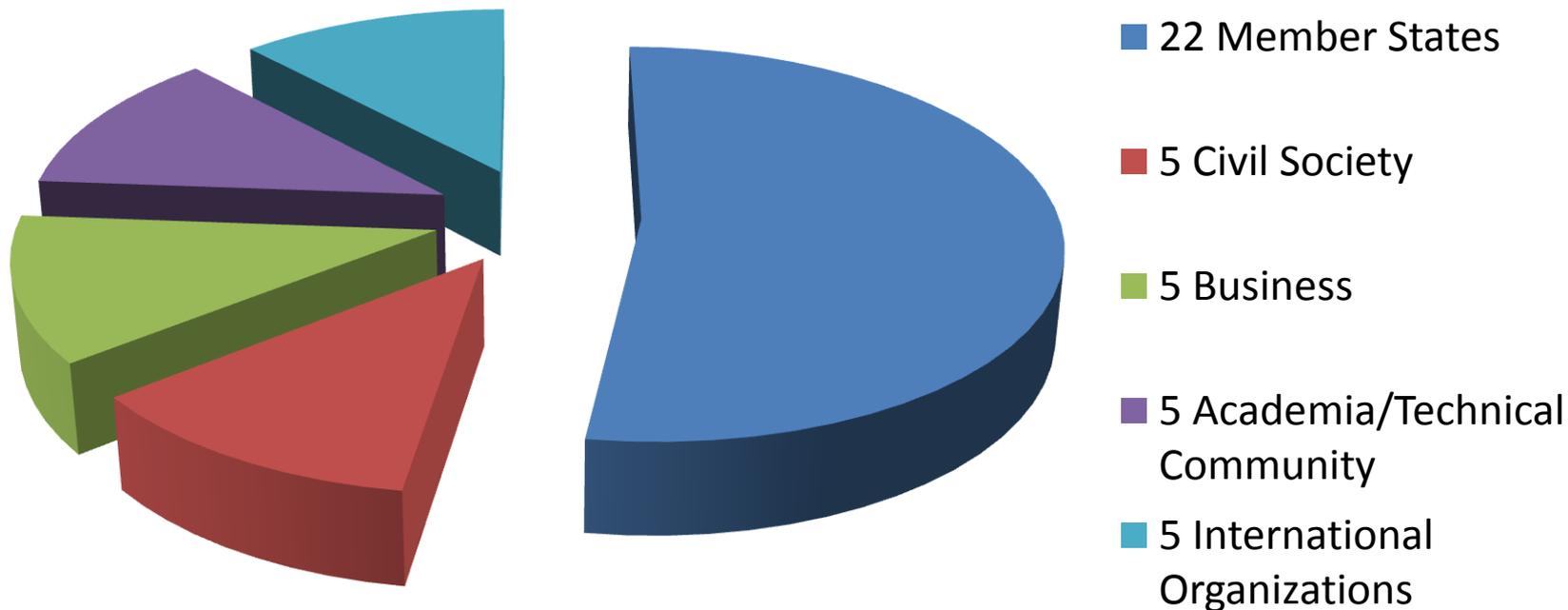
UNGA Resolution 67/195 (2012)

- “invites the Chair of CSTD to establish a working group on enhanced cooperation to examine the mandate of WSIS regarding EC , through seeking, compiling and reviewing inputs from all Member States and all other stakeholders, and to make recommendations on how to fully implement this mandate;”
- report in 2014



Structure of WGEC

Multi-stakeholder Model





WGEC Modalities

- Mandate
- Multi-stakeholder approach
- Mutual trust
- Results based on consensus
- Observers – ECOSOC rules apply
- Constraints (time, resources, venue, etc.)



WGEC Schedule

- Preliminary consultations (on-line)
- Physical meetings in Geneva:
 - 1st meeting: 30 May (P.M)-31 May 2013
 - 3 or 4 further meetings in 2013 (3 days each)
 - 1 further meeting in 2014 (February 2014)
- Chair's report & recommendations: 28 February 2014



WGEC Preliminary Consultations

- Define objectives based on WSIS Tunis Agenda and relevant UN Resolutions
- Identify topics related to EC (cyber security, principles, examples of EC, capacity building, etc.)
- Agree on topics to be discussed – result oriented approach
- Agree on schedule



WGEC 1st Meeting

- 30 May (P.M.)-31 May 2013, Geneva
- Questionnaire
- Responses from stakeholders: 15.07.2013
- Compilation of responses : 15.08.2013
- Summary of responses -> main topics 30.08.2013
- Rolling document structured according to main topics
- Chair's report



ITU Forums – WCIT-12

WCIT-12 Treaty

- **Issues:** Update of ITRs (1988) & Internet
- **Preamble:** recognize the right of access of MSs to international telecommunication services
vote & not consensus!!!
- **ITRs**
 - do not address the content-related aspects of telecommunication
 - unsolicited bulk electronic communication
 - charging and accounting
- **Resolution:** To foster an enabling environment for the greater growth of the Internet



ITU Forums: WCIT-12 Outcome

WCIT2012

World Conference on International Telecommunications 3-14 December 2012 - Dubai, UAE



Signatories of the Final Acts: 89 (in green)

AFGHANISTAN	ALBANIE	ALGÉRIE	ALLEMAGNE	ANDORRE	ANGOLA	ARABIE SAOUDITE	ARGENTINE	ARMÉNIE	AUSTRALIE
AUTRICHE	AZERBAIDJAN	BAHREÏN	BANGLADESH	BARBADE	BÉLARUS	BELGIQUE	BELIZE	BÉNIN	BHOUTAN
BOTSWANA	BRÉSIL	BRUNÉI DARUSSALAM	BULGARIE	BURKINA FASO	BURUNDI	CAMBODGE	CANADA	CAP-VERT	RÉPUBLIQUE CENTRAFRICAINE
CHILI	CHINE	CHYPRE	COLOMBIE	COMORES	RÉPUBLIQUE DU CONGO	RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE	COSTA RICA	CÔTE D'IVOIRE	CROATIE
CUBA	DANEMARK	DJIBOUTI	RÉPUBLIQUE DOMINICAINE	EGYPTE	EL SALVADOR	EMIRATS ARABES UNIS	ESPAGNE	ESTONIE	ETATS-UNIS
FÉDÉRATION DE RUSSIE	FINLANDE	FRANCE	GABON	GAMBIE	GÉORGIE	GHANA	GRÈCE	GUATEMALA	GUYANA
HAÏTI	HONGRIE	INDE	INDONÉSIE	RÉPUBLIQUE ISLAMIQUE D'IRAN	IRAQ	IRLANDE	ISRAËL	ITALIE	JAMAÏQUE
JAPON	JORDANIE	KAZAKHSTAN	KENYA	KOWEÏT	LESOTHO	LETTONIE	LIBAN	LIBÉRIA	LIBYE
LIECHTENSTEIN	LITUANIE	LUXEMBOURG	MALAISIE	MALAWI	MALI	MALTE	MAROC	ILES MARSHALL	MAURICE
MEXIQUE	MOLDOVA	MONGOLIE	MONTÉNÈGRE	MOZAMBIQUE	NAMIBIE	NEPAL	NIGER	NIGÉRIA	NORVÈGE
NOUVELLE-ZÉLANDE	OMAN	OUGANDA	OUBÉKISTAN	PANAMA	PAPOUASIE-NOUVELLE-GUINÉE	PARAGUAY	PAYS-BAS	PÉROU	PHILIPPINES
POLOGNE	PORTUGAL	QATAR	KIRGHIZISTAN	SLOVAQUIE	RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE	ROYAUME-UNI	RWANDA	SAINTE-LUCIE	SÉNÉGAL
SERBIE	SIERRA LEONE	SINGAPOUR	SLOVÉNIE	SOMALIE	SOUDAN	SOUDAN DU SUD	SRI LANKA	RÉPUBLIQUE SUDAFRICAINE	SUÈDE
SUISSE	SWAZILAND	TANZANIE	THAÏLANDE	TOGO	TRINITÉ-ET-TOBAGO	TUNISIE	TURQUIE	UKRAINE	URUGUAY
VENEZUELA	VIET NAM	YÉMEN	ZIMBABWE						



ITU Forums: WCIT-12 Consequences

- ITU - ICANN SG & CEO declarations on complementary activities
- Cleavages on IG
 - multi-stakeholder model
 - state control
 - in between
- Signatories - 89 countries out of 144 (193)
- Follow-up
 - WTPF in May 2013
 - WTDC /WSIS+10 March-April 2014
 - ITU PP14



ITU Forums: WTPF

- WTPF - ITU - May 2013 Geneva
- Secretary General's report
- Independent Expert Group - 3 meetings
- 6 draft opinions agreed
 - Promoting Internet Exchange Points (IXPs)
 - Capacity-building for the deployment of IPv6
 - IPv6 Adoption/deployment; transition from IPv4
 - Enabling environment for Broadband and development
 - Support for multi-stakeholderism in IG
 - Operationalizing the Enhanced Cooperation Process



ITU Forums: WTDC, PP-14, WRC-15

- WTDC - 31 March - 11 April 2014, Sharm-el-Sheikh
- PP-14 - 20 October - 7 November 2014, Busan
- WRC-15 - 2-27 November 2015, Geneva



Conclusion

- Internet Governance – reconciliation of different interests
- Maintain multi-stakeholder model
- Cooperation rather than confrontation
- Beyond WSIS+10 - proactive approach: principles, EC, improvements to the IGF, sustainable goals
- Work towards enhanced Internet Governance



Thank you!

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