IGF 2025 Second Open Consultation and MAG meeting

Technical Community Coalition for Multistakeholderism

Statement

- A Technical Community Coalition for Multistakeholderism (TCCM) is made up of 35 members of the Internet's technical community, including registries, TLD regional groups, registrars, registries for internet numbers and registry service providers. As technical operators, we rely on the multistakeholder model of internet governance to establish policies and coordinate implementation for the global Internet. The global nature of the multistakeholder model mirrors the structure of the global Internet, and is crucial to ensuring it remains open, free, global, secure, resilient and interoperable for all.

- TCCM is focused on WSIS+20, which we see as an opportunity to assess progress towards achieving the goals set during the first WSIS, and decide on the future of the IGF. The review also provides the opportunity to reaffirm and reiterate principles of - and support for - the MSM of Internet Governance, and an extended - or ideally permanent - mandate for the IGF.

- To date, our engagement on WSIS+20 has included submitting responses to two consultations: the Council Working Group on WSIS and SDG's Call for Inputs on the WSIS+20 Review, and the WSIS+20 HLE 2025 Open Consultation Process - with many of our TCCM members signing onto these. In our responses we have continued to make the case for the multistakeholder approach to internet governance, and the level of diversity, expertise, accountability and transparency that this inspires.

- We also have a WSIS Taskforce within TCCM, looking to develop policy positions on key issues, with a view to consulting the wider membership in late May and early June, and finalising these positions by the time of global IGF in Norway. As part of this work we are considering things like our position on the Action Lines, and how to communicate the value of IGF as well as recommendations for how to strengthen it, particularly in terms of its sustainability, effectiveness and inclusivity. We are also developing thinking on how different parts of the UN system can best integrate (for example, how to link the SDGs, WSIS, and GDC implementation, thereby strengthening the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines). We are also developing materials to support TCCM members in having discussions on WSIS+20 with key stakeholders, including governments.

- We look forward to working with all parts of the system in the coming months as we develop our policy positions and keep pace with what is set to be a busy

process. ICANN Prague and global IGF in Norway will provide further opportunities to come together and share ideas and insights.