



CSTD Working Group on Improvements to the IGF Recommendations

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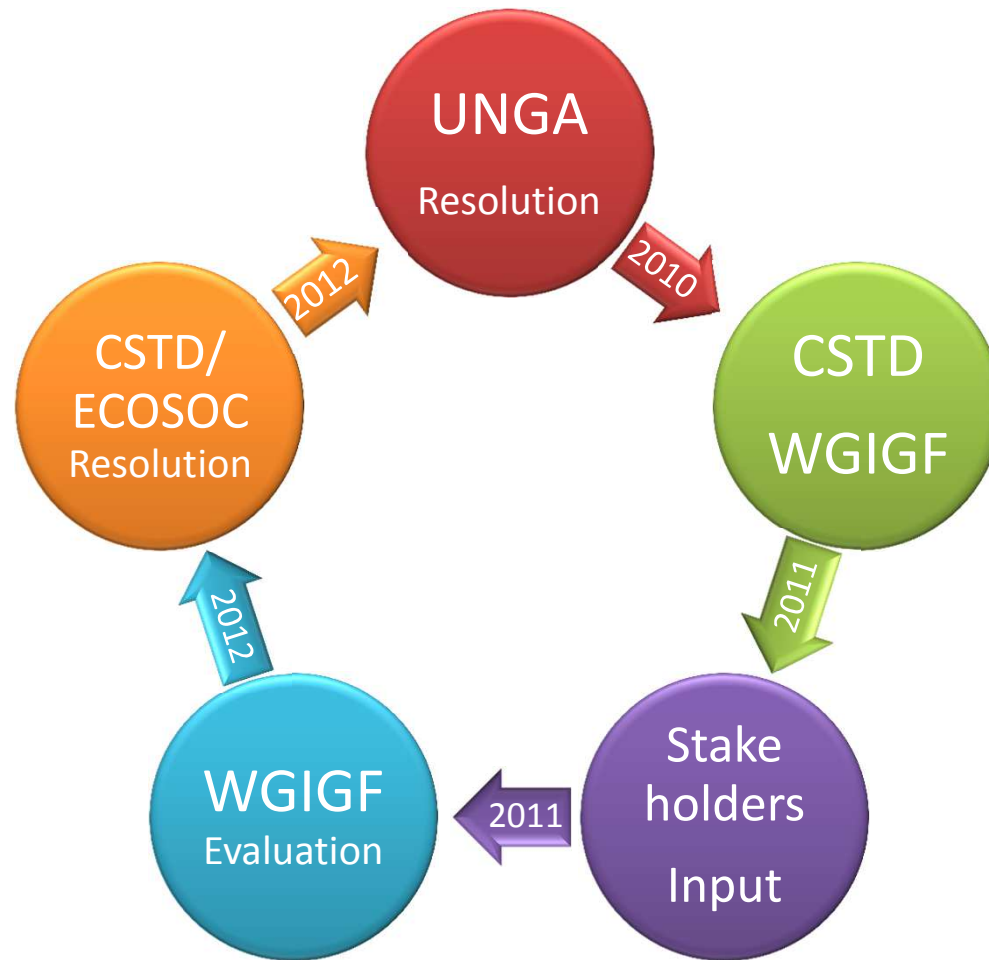


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Background



CSTD Inter-sessional Meeting
2-4 December 2013 Washington



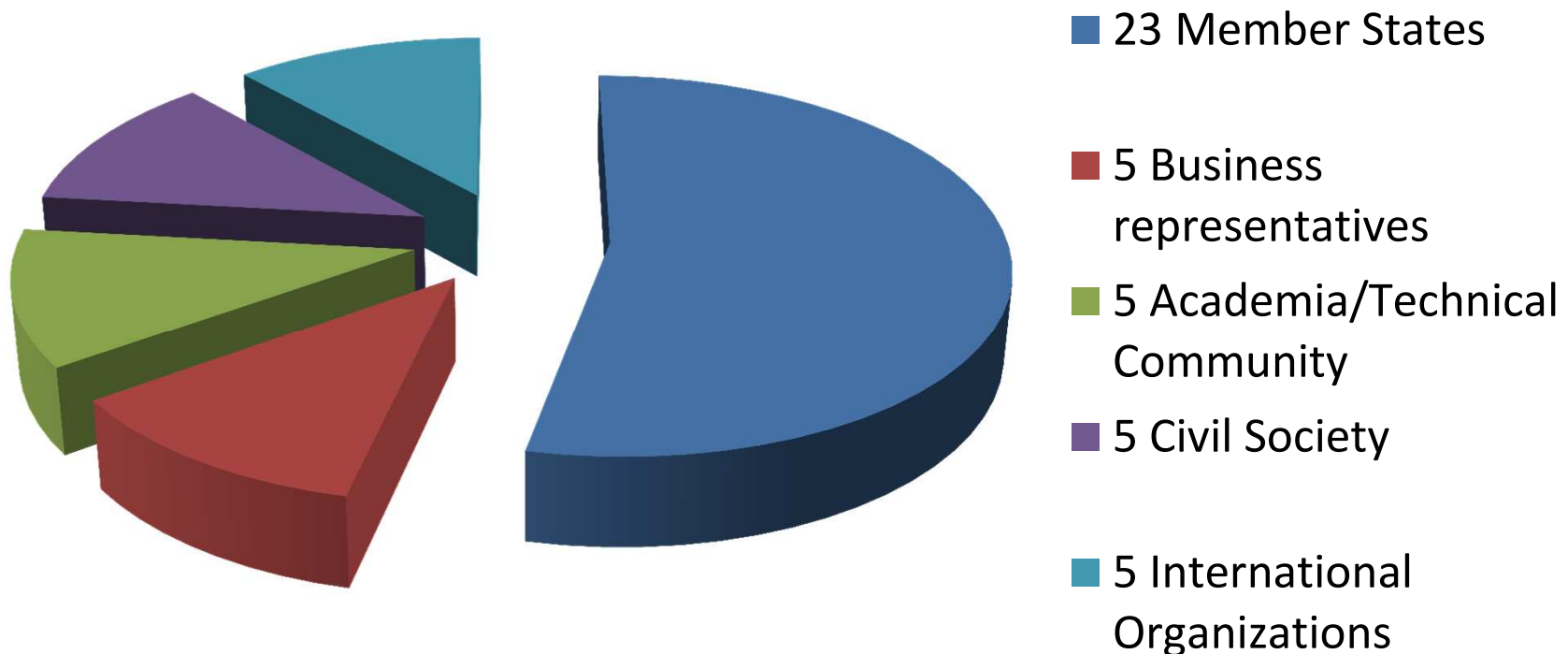
Mandate of the CSTD WGIGF

- established in open and inclusive manner
- to seek, compile and review inputs from all UN member States and all other stakeholders on improvements to the IGF
- to give recommendations for improvements without changing basic features of the IGF:
 - multi-stakeholder character
 - not a decision taking forum
- to report to CSTD



Composition of the Working Group

Multi-stakeholder approach





Results of CSTD WGIGF

- Multi-stakeholder approach
- Disconnected from enhanced cooperation
- Mutual trust and team work
- 39 recommendations grouped by main topics
- Work completed March 2012
- Chair's report & agreed recommendations



Agreed main topics

- I. Shaping the outcomes of IGF meetings;
- II. Working modalities including open consultations, MAG and Secretariat;
- III. Funding of the IGF;
- IV. Broadening participation;
- V. Linking the IGF to other related processes/mechanisms/bodies.



I. Shaping the outcomes of IGF meetings

Recommendations:

1. Develop more tangible outputs
2. Formulate set of policy questions
3. Improve the visibility of IGF outcomes and its accessibility with enhanced communication tools
4. Communication strategy and tools to making available the relevant documents to all the relevant stakeholders and the media.



II. Working modalities

Recommendations:

1. Improve the overall preparatory process of the IGF
2. Improve the structure and working methods of the MAG
3. Strengthen and expand the Secretariat



III. Funding of the IGF

Recommendations:

1. Encourage increased voluntary financial contributions
2. Enhance accountability and transparency
3. Acknowledge the host country's support and in-kind support from other countries, organizations and the UN.



IV. Broadening participation and capacity building

Recommendations:

1. Expand and diversify participation
2. Enhance measures for broader participation
3. Improve the on-line visibility and accessibility of the IGF
4. Enhance all stakeholders' understanding of the IGF and Internet governance issues



V. Linking the IGF to other IG related entities

Recommendations:

1. Ensure the relevance and inclusiveness of annual IGFs
2. Support enhanced communication
3. Empower the MAG and the IGF secretariat to do consistent outreach



WGIGF follow-up

- WG's Chair reported to CSTD 16th session (May 2012)
http://www.unctad.org/meetings/en/SessionalDocuments/a67d65_en.pdf
- CSTD draft resolution on WSIS Follow-up including results of the WGIGF
- Report and recommendations forwarded to UN General Assembly through ECOSOC
- Endorsed by General Assembly of UN 195/2012 & instructs SG to report on implementation



Implementation

- Evaluation:
Tasks, target dates, responsible, cost & status
- Target dates: before Bali IGF & after Bali IGF
- Responsible: Secretariat , MAG & Community
- Cost: yes/no
- Status: Completed, Ongoing, to be Started
- MAG WG interim report May 2013



Evaluation

No.	Category	Status
I.	Shaping the outcomes of IGF meetings	on-going/completed
II.	Working modalities	on-going/completed
III.	Funding of the IGF	uncertain
IV.	Broadening participation and capacity building	on-going/completed
V.	Linking the IGF to other IG related entities	on-going/completed



Conclusion

- Many of the recommendations implemented
- Implementation of some ongoing
- Some need to be started
- Funding of IGF needs further improvements
- Importance of IGF recognized - linkage to other IG related mechanisms enhanced
- Report of IGF Secretariat to CSTD in January 2014



Thank you for your attention

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