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**Second Meeting of the Working Group on Enhanced Cooperation  
(WGEC)**

6-8 November 2013

Geneva, Switzerland

**Chairman's summary of the meeting**

1. The second meeting of the Working Group on Enhanced Cooperation (WGEC) was held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland on 6-8 November 2013. It was chaired by Mr. Peter Major (Hungary). Remote participation and live transcription of the meeting were made available to facilitate participation from stakeholders.

2. The Chair opened the meeting with a presentation that summarized the outcomes of the first meeting of the WGEC. The main outcome of the first meeting was an agreed questionnaire that was sent to members of the Working Group and Member States. It was also made available on the website of the Working Group to all stakeholders. There were 69 responses to the questionnaire by 17 of September 2013. These were posted on the website of the WGEC by questions and by respondents. A summary of the responses was also made available to the Working Group and posted on its website.

3. The Working Group adopted the agenda and the time management plan in the agreement that observers may take the floor after the members of the group and observer Member States. The Chair suggested to work on the basis of the five groups identified in the summary. The proposed groups were the following:

- a. Replies related to the implementation of the Tunis Agenda (Questions 2 and 3);
- b. Replies related to public policy issue and possible mechanisms (Questions 4, 8 and 9);
- c. Replies to the role of stakeholders (Questions 5, 6, 7, 14 and 17);
- d. Replies to the role of developing countries (Questions 10 and 15);
- e. Replies to barriers for participation in enhanced cooperation (Questions 11, 12, 13 and 16).

4. The group agreed to discuss the responses to the questionnaire following the grouping suggested by the Chair. After the adoption of the agenda the discussion started. All the questions

were discussed. Members of the group expressed their views and comments. The summary provided to the Members was appreciated and it was generally expressed that it facilitated the work of the group.

5. Members suggested to start a mapping exercise to identify the issues raised in their responses and to find existing mechanisms, if any, where the issues are being dealt with. A draft spread sheet was elaborated by some participants containing 483 issues identified and was later reduced to some 200 issues. It was suggested to create a correspondence group to follow on the exercise started in the Working Group to identify categories, mechanisms, and status. The terms of reference for the work of the correspondence group were formulated and agreed by the Working Group. Mr. Philip Rushton volunteered to coordinate the correspondence group. Ms. Joy Liddicoat volunteered as well to be the co-coordinator of the correspondence group. Several members volunteered to contribute to the mapping exercise. The final terms of reference for the correspondence group are annexed to this report.

6. India presented a possible framework for the final outcome document of the Working Group and this contribution will be made available on the group website once the contribution has been received in a written form by the Secretariat. The framework will be discussed in the third meeting of the Working Group.

7. Several members of the Working Group submitted contributions of draft recommendations to be considered by the group. The contributions will be made available on the website of the Working Group and will be discussed in the third meeting.

8. The Members of the Working Group decided to have its third meeting on 24-28 February 2014 in Geneva.

## ANNEX 1

### Final Terms of Reference for the Correspondence Group of WGEC

1. The correspondence group will work electronically. If necessary, conference calls will be held, but the main method of working will be emails.
2. The correspondence group is open to all stakeholders.
3. The correspondence group will provide three update reports to the WGEC Chair and Mailing List at: End of November 2013, beginning of January 2014 and End of January 2014.
4. The Correspondence Group will provide an initial output in the first week of January 2014 and a final document for consideration by the WGEC by the 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2014.
5. The Correspondence Group will:
  - (a) Review the identified international public policy issues pertaining to the Internet in the spreadsheet that has been developed in the second meeting of the WGEC.  
*(NB) Additional issues may be added to the identified public policy issues if agreed by the WGEC.*
  - (b) List where there are existing international mechanisms addressing the issues in the list
  - (c) Identify the status of mechanisms, if any, whether they are addressing the issues
  - (d) Attempt to identify the gaps in order to ascertain what type of recommendations may be required to be drafted by the WGEC.
6. Any issue that cannot reach consensus in the Correspondence Group will be referred to the Working Group, with the options that represent the range of opinions expressed in the Correspondence Group. The final decision on such issues will be made by the WGEC.
7. This Correspondence Group does not replace the WGEC and will not take any decision pertaining to the mandate of WGEC.

As agreed by the Working Group on Enhanced Cooperation,

8 November 2013.

## ANNEX 2

### List of Participants

#### States Members of the Working Group

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##### **Dominican Republic**

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