

# IGF 2021 NRIs Virtual Meeting IV

## 31 May 2021, 15:00 UTC

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### AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. NRIs Call for thematic inputs: preliminary results and next steps
3. IGF 2021 preparatory phase and NRIs engagement
4. Approving NRIs brochure for briefing of parliaments
5. How does the NRIs landscape look like for 2021? Update from the Secretariat
6. AoB



# IGF 2021 NRIs Call for Thematic Inputs

## *Preliminary Results and Next Steps*

*31 May 2021, IGF Secretariat*

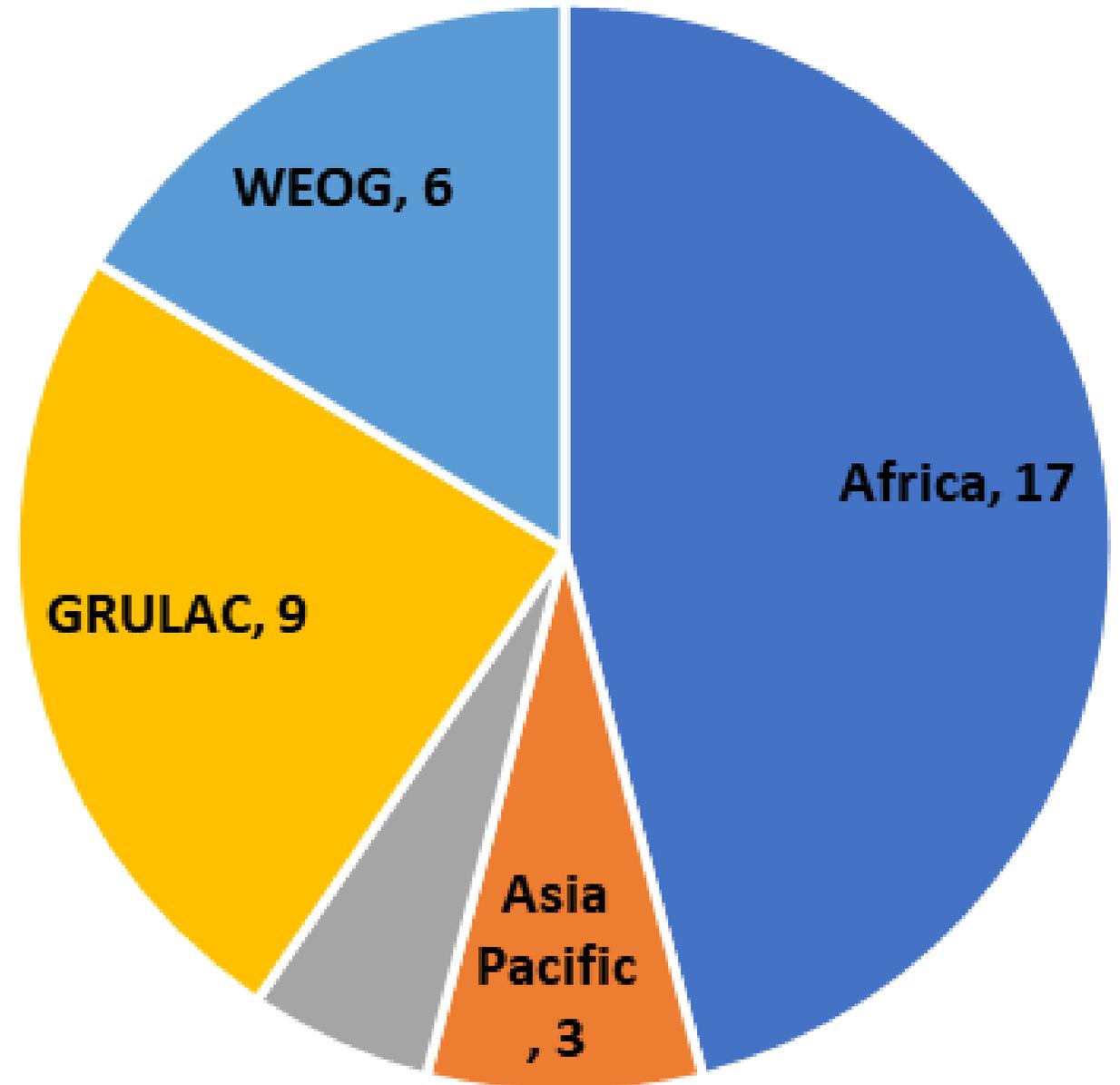
# IGF 2021 Call for NRIs Thematic Inputs

- IGF 2021 NRIs call for thematic inputs was open for **almost 11 weeks: 12 March until 26 May 2021.**

<https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2021-nris-call-for-issues>

- **Objective of the call:** to define the topics in a bottom-up manner for the NRIs main session, up to six collaborative sessions and NRIs coordination session
- **37 NRIs responded** (*1 duplicate removed*)
- **114 issues** submitted

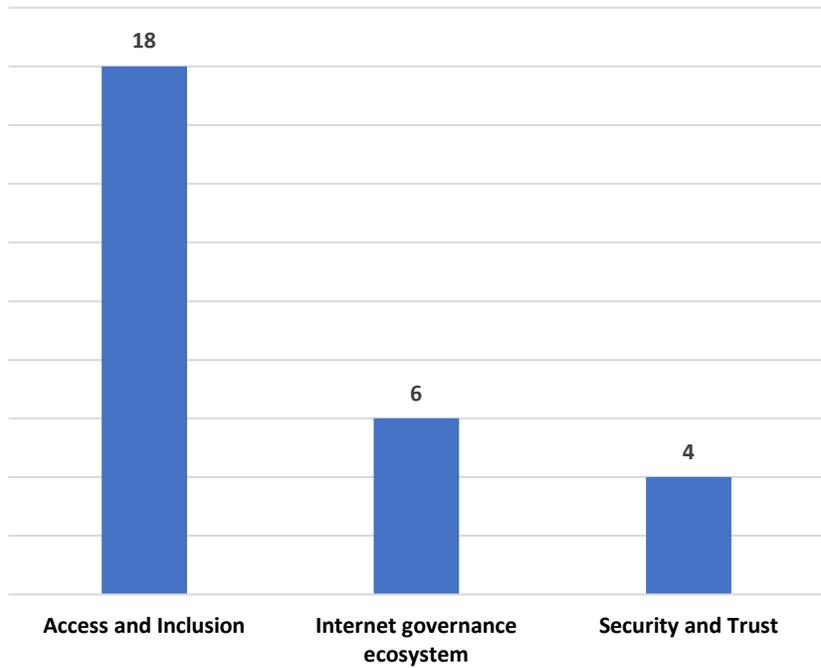
# Regional balance



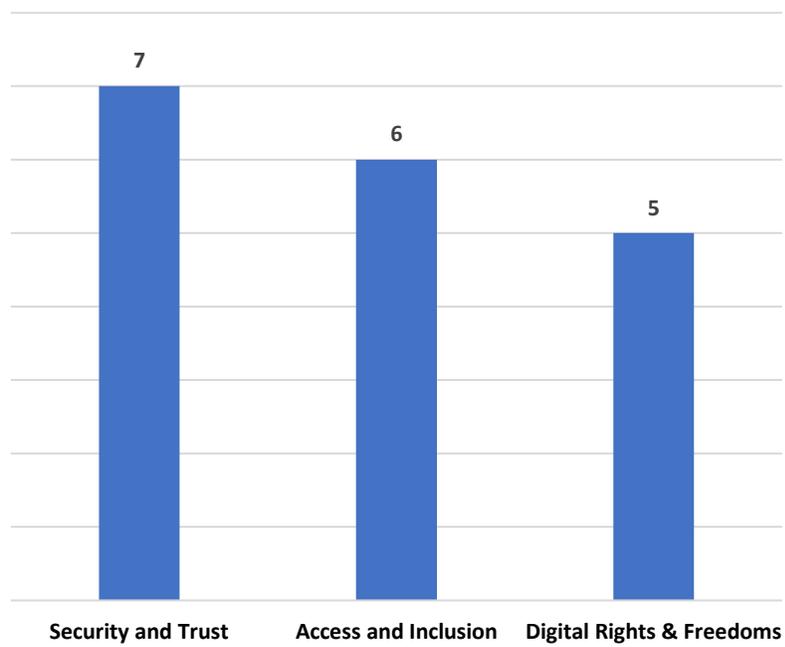
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# Thematic priorities

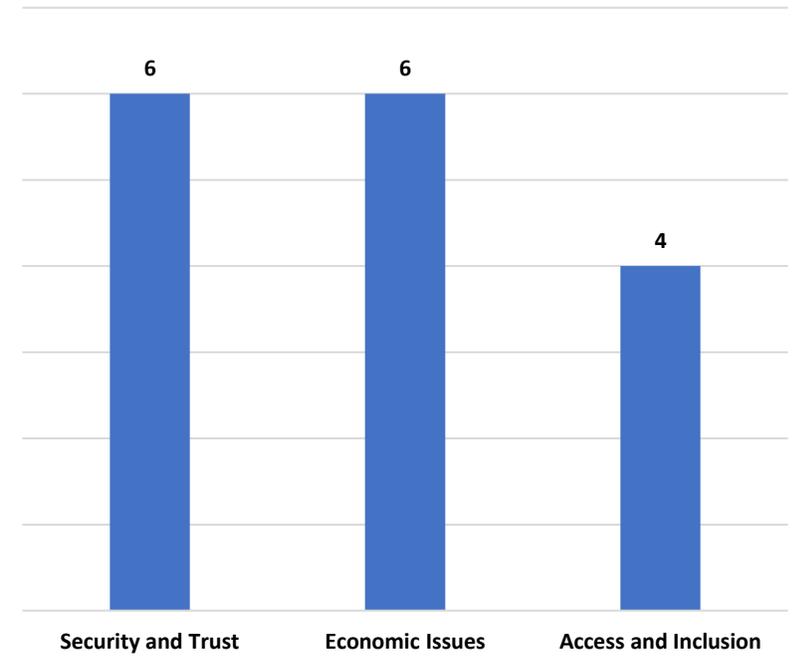
### 1st Priority Issue



### 2nd Priority Issue



### 3rd Priority Issue



# **IGF 2021 Preparatory Phase**

## **Overview of the concept**

# IGF 2021 Preparatory Phase

## I. A build up phase from roughly July to September consisting of engagement with IGF intersessional activities

- Sessions linked to the IGF 2021 issue areas organised by BPFs, DCs, PN s and other intersessional activities on a voluntary basis
- Introductory or ‘stocktaking’ sessions on the IGF2021 issue areas organised by the MAG
- Strategic discussions linked to the IGF 2021 issue areas and policy questions organised by the MAG, MAG working groups, and the MAG chair
- High level track and parliamentary track linkages collaborating with Poland
- Capacity building events (see below for more detail)

## II. An intersessional event possibly linked to a 3rd MAG and OC in September consisting of optionally the following

- BPF sessions on their work (not linked to the IGF issue areas)
- DC sessions on their work (not linked to the IGF issue areas)
- **NRI session (not linked to the IGF issue areas)**
- Issue team/MAG led sessions on main focus areas and issue areas

# IGF 2021 Preparatory Phase

## III. Capacity development activities

- **Series of capacity development workshops on engagement in the IGF**  
**Target historically unrepresented countries**  
IGF Secretariat to develop training materials and a module and to engage MAG facilitators for particular programme components
- **How to effectively host and participate in a hybrid IGF 2021**  
**Training for session organizers and developing countries stakeholders**  
Materials to be developed
- **BPFs, PNs and DCs work development**  
**Open consultations on their work with substantive focus**
- **Strategic sessions in cooperation with other stakeholders**  
Example: IGF Secretariat in cooperation with Microsoft to host capacity development workshops on digital transformation and cybersecurity: “My Digital Future”.

# **NRIs Brochure to inform MPs and Governments**

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## INTERNET GOVERNANCE FOURM

### NATIONAL, REGIONAL, SUB-REGIONAL AND YOUTH IGF INITIATIVES



The Internet Governance Forum (IGF) is a global multistakeholder platform that facilitates the discussion of public policy issues pertaining to the Internet governance. The IGF was one of the most important outcomes of the United Nations World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), that requested the United Nations Secretary-General to formally convene the Forum on 18 July 2006 as a multilateral, multistakeholder, democratic and transparent platform for discussions on Internet governance issues.

Institutionally, the IGF is supported by the IGF Secretariat, administered by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), while the programme of the annual IGF meeting is developed upon advice from the IGF's Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG), appointed annually by the Secretary-General.

So far, fifteen annual meetings of the IGF were hosted by various governments<sup>1</sup>. The 2021 annual meeting of the IGF will be hosted by the Government of Poland in Katowice from 6 to 10 December<sup>2</sup>. The IGF 2022 is planned to be hosted by the Government of Ethiopia, IGF 2023 by the Government of Japan, while the IGF 2025 will be hosted by the Russian Federation. The Host for IGF 2024 is yet to be confirmed.

#### IGF is a process

The IGF functions as a year-long process including annual meetings and intersessional activities. Each year, the IGF annual meeting brings together stakeholders from around the world to discuss some of the most pressing Internet governance issues. Participants represent governments, intergovernmental organisations, the private sector, the technical community, and civil society. The meeting's programme is developed through active involvement of all interested stakeholders.



IGF 2019 in Berlin: Opening by the UN Secretary-General and the German Chancellor

In between the two annual IGF meetings, the community works on several substantive activities and discusses them at the annual IGF meeting. These typically include the best practice forums, dynamic coalition and policy networks focus

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/funding>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/>

- Is it effective?
- Is it enough?
- What else to develop?

# **NRIs landscape in May 2021**

# NRIs landscape in May 2021 (137 NRIs)

**IGF**<sub>ελ</sub>

- National IGF of Greece  
<https://igfgreece.eu/>

**SEAIGF**  
*Southeast Asia Internet Governance Forum*

- Southeast Asia IGF  
<https://seaigf.id/>

# NRIs landscape in May 2021 (137 NRIs)

- 48/137 NRIs confirmed exact dates to host their onsite or hybrid meetings
- 2 informed to convert to online hosting: EuroDIG and West African IGF

**Thank You!**