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The Youth IGF (www.youthigf.com) is a recognised initiative.

The Youth IGF is a global movement that operates as a multi-stakeholder platform. It allows the young (15-29 years old) to discuss and take a lead in issues related to Internet governance in the format of local, national or regional debates. These debates are organised by the young on a volunteer basis based on the methodology provided by the Youth IGF. The Youth IGF is based on the principles of the UN Internet Governance Forum (IGF) and full respect for them.

In 2016 more than 15 countries joined the movement and organised national or local debates. The message of the meetings is communicated to the leaders at different levels, among others during the UN IGF 2016.

The platform also serves as a hub to deliver capacity-building sessions to the young via the 'Train the Trainer' approach, and to raise their awareness on a number of Information Society issues.

The main objective of the initiative is to allow the voice of young people to be heard by Information Society leaders on issues related to internet governance and to help young people to take an active part in the decision-making processes.

The initiative also helps to reinforce active citizenship in young people and promote participation in the development of intercultural and intergenerational dialogues.

The concept of the Youth IGF gatherings is based on the idea of providing an inclusive opportunity for young people from both developed countries and developing nations, and particularly those who are facing social problems, to be able to express themselves and to convey their thoughts and concerns about the Internet to the community.

The Youth IGF movement was conceived during the First French Youth and Teenagers IGF, which took place in France in 2011 at the Council of Europe. It is an initiative developed by TaC- Together against Cybercrime International, French Youth and its partners, and supported by ICANN, Afnic and other international and national partners.

OPEN FORUM

Dialogue between decision makers and the young Youth IGF – EU Delegation

Tuesday, December 6, 10:45-11:45

Conference room # 10

Organised by TaC – Together against Cybercrime Int. & EU DELEGATION to the IGF

Key foreword: Pilar DEL CASTILLO, MEP and Megan RICHARDS, European Commission

Moderators: Julie WARD, MEP, EU Parliament and Sabrina ABUALHAIGA, Youth IGF France

Message from: Lambert van NISTELROOIJ, MEP, EU Parliament

Key questions: Stuart HAMILTON, IFLA and Lee HIBBARD, Council of Europe

Remote Moderator: Marilia MACIEL, DiploFoundation

The main goal of the Open Forum is to make it possible for the IGF community to understand what the young of today are happy with in the world of ICTs, what they feel needs to be improved and what they suggest should be done in the field of the Information Society.

These ideas will allow constructive proposals to be made for better inclusive and sustainable growth in today's world and the inclusion of the young from an economic and social perspective.

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Short report

Youth IGF – EU Delegation IGF Open Forum

Over 150 participants attended the Open Forum Youth IGF – EU Delegation on the Day 1 of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum on December 6, 2016. The EU Delegation to the IGF was composed of 12 MEPs from different political groups of the European Parliament with Mrs. Pilar Del Castillo acting as head of the delegation. The European Commission was also present and its representation was headed by Mrs. Megan Richards.

During the Forum it was underlined that the multi-stakeholder model is of particular importance in the field of Internet Governance. Youth represents one of the layers of the multi-stakeholder model, maybe one of the most important. The opinion of young people on different aspects of Internet Governance such as security or the Internet of Things is important to all and of particular interest to the European Parliament. The young are advanced digital users in their daily lives and their vision and Internet habits are crucial. Their vision is the future and should be among the top priorities to be taken into account for the development of legal frameworks and in policy development work.

The arrival of the Internet in our lives over the last 20 years has brought many benefits but also a number of hazards. The young need to ensure that the benefits and advantages of the Internet will dominate in the future. This is their role, which is very important.

The Youth IGF - EU Delegation was underlined as being an important event in providing the opportunity to begin a reflection on how the young can participate more actively in dialogues with decision-makers. Youth IGF events can help to convey to decision-makers the opinion of the young who will determine how things will work in the future. In this sense, the Open Forum was described as unique.

Youth IGF events can be in terms of cooperation and development a reference point in a number of countries for other young people on how to establish their own ICT company. And this can add a lot of value and quality of life, but also in entrepreneurship.

In their messages to the decision-makers, the young underlined the need of the world's youth for capacity-building in different aspects related to the Internet Governance, among them safe and responsible use of the Internet, a culture of cybersecurity, privacy, entrepreneurship, Internet functionality, Internet ethics and on how to distinguish a trustworthy source online from a fake. They underlined the importance of the availability of training sessions in local languages and that these be accessible in different regions of the world. It was also emphasized that media literacy needs to be part of the school curricula.

The young argued that they need the help from leaders not only on how to set up a Youth IGF meeting, but how to make it sustainable. As quite often the young do not have enough influence and they need the different generations to help them, support from decision-makers is particularly important.

The youth of different regions also need to work together, since through collaboration and cooperation the voice of the young will only be stronger. The diversity of youth is really important and needs to be reflected in the sphere of Internet Governance.

It was agreed that Internet has to be a force for good, a force for peace, and has to be a force to bring us together. The Youth IGF could be a step that will help place the Internet in the vanguard of intercultural dialogue, which will help to build a safer and better, more peaceful world and which will allow us to live together in harmony.

COUNTRY REPORTS

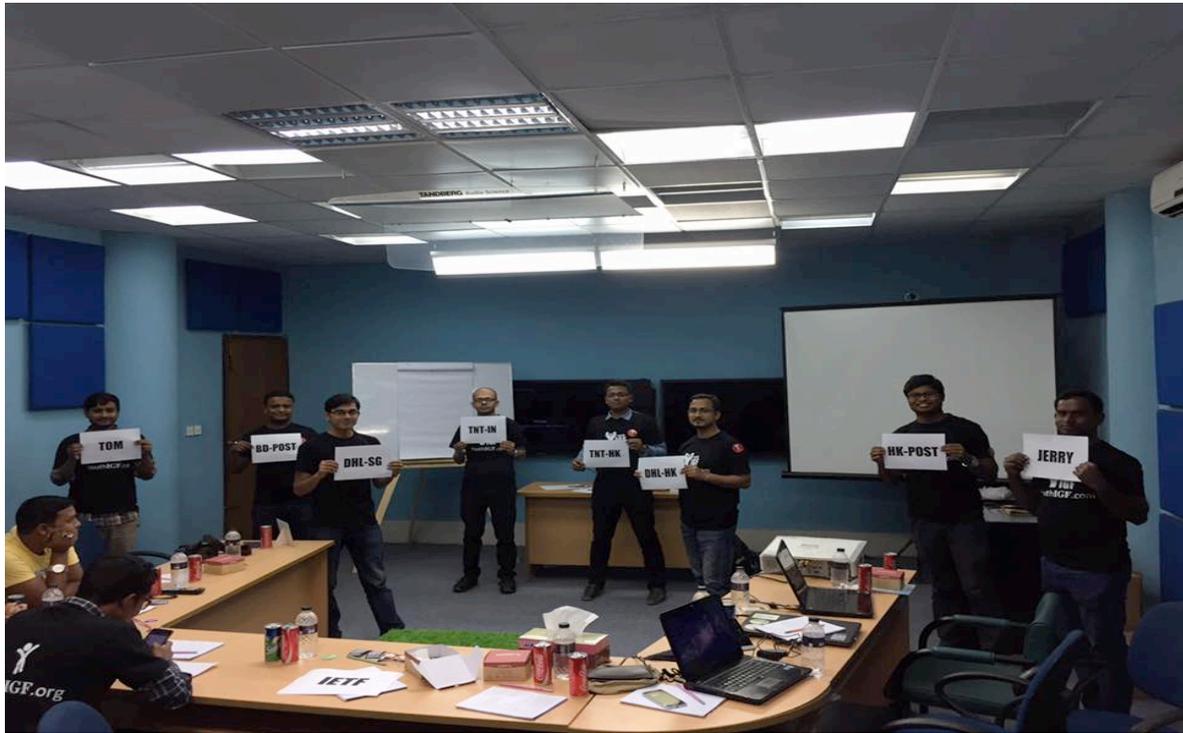
BANGLADESH

Website: www.bdyigf.org

Facebook: @bdYIGF (163 likes on January 16th, 2017) – created on November 2016

Meeting took place on November 25, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassadors: Mr Abdul AWAL (Network Engineer) and
Mr Minhaz Rahman CHOWDHURY (IT Engineer)



MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- We use the Internet intensively day by day for almost every activity
- Privacy and cybersecurity is still a big growing concern
- The Internet is changing our life tremendously in a positive way

2. We need

- Our rural people to be connected to the Internet
- User-friendly applications for unconnected and disabled people
- A more trustworthy and safe Internet for all

3. We suggest

- Multi-stakeholder discussion and an inclusive policy-making process
- Creating more local content in local languages
- Awareness in responsible Internet use in order to be more conscious about privacy and cybersecurity

CHAD

Facebook: @yIGFCHAD (128 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on November 12, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator: IGF Chad, Mr Abdeldjalil Bachar BONG (IT Engineer)

Youth IGF Ambassador: Mahamat Adam SEID (Financial Services professional)



MESSAGE (in French)

Nous, participants à la 1^{ère} Edition du Forum Youth IGF Tchad (YIGF TCHAD 2016) réuni à N'DJAMENA le 12 Novembre 2016, l'ISESCO recommandons au Gouvernement :

- Faire le plaidoyer pour une refonte pédagogique visant à inclure des programmes d'éducation de TIC dans les curricula d'enseignement primaire, secondaire et supérieur
- La Mise en œuvre des TIC dans les systèmes éducatifs nationaux, afin de contribuer à la formation intégrale des nouvelles générations
- Promouvoir l'accès aux nouvelles technologies des secteurs sociaux les plus défavorisés
- La mise en place d'un centre de formation et de recherche dans le domaine de technologies de l'information pour les jeunes
- Demander aux instances internationales de faciliter la participation de la jeunesse tchadienne aux forums mondiaux sur le TIC afin d'avoir des échanges d'expérience pour améliorer la Gouvernance de l'internet à l'échelle nationale
- Faciliter l'accès au financement des projets locaux dans le domaine des TIC
- Promouvoir le renforcement des capacités des acteurs pour une bonne sensibilisation sur la cybercriminalité et la cyber-sécurité
- Formation de 100 jeunes sur la Gouvernance de l'internet et sur l'écosystème de l'internet

CZECH REPUBLIC

Meeting took place on November 28, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassadors: Ms Elodie FREITAG (European Affairs professional)

MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- All the social networks and means of staying in touch with every relative, wherever we are in the world
- The knowledge it can bring us about every topic, and also its ability to open our mind and curiosity
- The easy access to news: we can be aware of what is going on immediately and have some piece of information about everything.

2. We need

- To have better access in every country, without such an expensive network and to improve the speed as well
- To provide more education about the Internet, to children but to parents as well
- To better protect the information shared, to avoid some of the important mistakes (fake news) that are shared

3. We suggest

- Using money concept to convince people to be more aware. For example, for the protection of personal data: if people steal some personal data from you, you may lose money. Our group believes that this is unfortunately the only way to really make people be careful
- To restrict access to some websites in free Wi-Fi (open networks) to make sure your data is safe
- To find a way, maybe also involving money, to let people agree on the use of cookies and allow their personal data to be shared. Indeed, we could be paid to accept that our data is shared

INDIA

Website: www.yigfindia.in (to be developed)

Facebook: @yigfindia (88 Likes on January 16th, 2017) –created in November 2016

Meeting took place on November 9, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassadors: Mr Haziq JEELANI (IT Engineer, PhD Candidate)



MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- To be connected to relatives, friends, and people
- To be always mobile while being in touch with our professional and social circles
- To socialise with friends and keep up on events and trends

2. We need

- Every person in this world to be online and connected so that they are able to make use of the services the Internet has to offer
- To have a safer Internet where people feel safe without being harassed or bullied
- To have a secure Internet where the identities of people are secure without being impersonated or tarnished

3. We suggest

- Capacity building, which will allow people to have a basic idea about the Internet and use it optimally
- Involving the young in decision-making processes because they are the end users
- Training people to use the Internet ethically and train them to carry forward the message

FRANCE

Facebook: @youthigfFR (28 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on November 23, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator: Ms Amélie BARBIER-GAUCHARD, FSEG, University of Strasbourg

Youth IGF Ambassadors: Main Ambassador Ms Sabrina ABUALHAIGA

Team of Ambassadors: Amélie, Axel, Camille, Ted, Thibaut, Quentin



MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- To facilitate our daily lives through use of the internet and new technologies
- To be connected with each other
- To instantly have access to culture and information

2. We need

- A clear understanding of the Internet, and to avoid an amalgam of the internet and social networks
- More confidence in social networks
- More commitment on the part of citizens

3. We suggest

- Laws that protect us better on social networks
- An international best practices guide of rights and obligations on Internet usage
- Raising awareness of Internet issues at school

HAITI

Facebook: @YouthIgfHaiti (74 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on November 17, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinators: Mr Patrick ATTIE and Ms Farah MICHEL, ESIH

Youth IGF Ambassador: Mr Philippe Junior Saint Fleur (IT Engineer)



MESSAGE

1. We discussed

- Misuse of the internet by young people is a major issue
- The gap in internet quality between our country and others is too huge
- Cybercrime needs to be taken into account

2. We need

- E-governance is something we need in our country and we think it would be important for any vulnerable country
- A youth e-learning platform where young people are not only trainees but also trainers
- Youth engagement in the development of communities using ICTs

3. We suggest

- We suggest an entity in ICANN where people can make complaints against websites that are publishing fake information
- We would like the leaders of the Information Society to consider a world standard minimum bandwidth for an affordable price

KENYA

Meeting took place on October 28, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator: Mr Tom OMWENGA, Child Aid Organisation Kenya, Director



MESSAGE

The biggest opportunity they have ever had as a result of using the Internet was:

- A job · A business deal · Interaction · Networking · Making a new friend · Dating · Making money
- Travel · Exposure · Knowledge · Getting sponsors · An invitation to an event

Conclusion

The meeting was very successful and the young people expressed an interest in taking part in future events. They appreciated the fact that this was one area they never thought was important in their lives, yet they now recognise that it is an integral part of their life.

LIBERIA

Facebook: Youth IGF Liberia (470 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on October 7, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassador: Mr Peterking QUAYE (IT Analyst)



MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- Great tool for learning
- Helps us a lot in doing my school assignment
- We can now perform better in our lessons at school

2. We need

- We need Internet at our school
- We hope the government can help to setup ICT centres for us to get access to Internet in our communities
- We need affordable data packages from service providers in Liberia

3. We suggest

- The government should listen more to what the youth want since the Internet is about the youth and their future
- Civil society can advocate for a better ICT Policy for Liberia
- Liberia should have more service providers ensuring quality services

LITHUANIA

Meeting took place on June 20, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassador: Ms Elodie FREITAG (European Affairs professional)



MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- All the communication possible: all around the world we can talk to people, whenever we want to
- All the knowledge and information it can give us: we can do all the research we need and find answers directly, without having to wait
- All the time that it allows us to save each day: we have direct access to some news, to all the questions we have, to people as well

2. We need

- More security: we need to protect our data better
- To have more information about cookies and especially the use of data which is collected afterwards
- To protect people in a better way, especially young people and this new generation, which has been used to the Internet since the beginning, but is not conscious at all of the risks that exist

3. We suggest

- Reducing pornography by fighting more actively and powerfully against it
- To continue all the fights against cybercrime, fraud, and the ways to make people aware of it
- To protect the copyright system and continue to do so by promoting a way to have access to plenty of music, movies or TV shows without being in an illegal situation, and with the advantage of paying the artists

NIGERIA

Facebook: @YIGFNigeria (83 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on October 11, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassador: Mr Oluwadunsin FATUASE (Internet Activist)



MESSAGE

1. We discussed

- Open data and data management
- Privacy
- Internet access and affordability

2. We need

- Awareness and empowerment about the ethics of Internet use
- More affordable means of Internet access, if not totally free
- A system, policy or process that makes it lot more easier for users to dictate what ads they see

3. We suggest

- That browsers and advertisement networks make it pretty simple for users to decide what types of adverts to see, if they choose to see adverts at all
- That some sort of interventions be made for Internet service providers to make internet access much cheaper, if not totally free
- That topic-focused, or niche-focused search engines be available with far stricter rules to increase the quality of content available for users

PAKISTAN

Facebook: @yIGF.Pakistan (95 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on October 20, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator: Mr Imran Ahmed SHAH, IGF Pakistan

Youth IGF Ambassador: Ms Erum ARIF



MESSAGE

1. We discussed

- Cyber security
- Privacy
- Safety and protection (especially on social media sites and apps)

2. We need

- Protection from offensive, abusive and malicious material
- Awareness of cybercrime law
- Training sessions on issues related to Internet governance

3. We suggest

- Expand youth membership and hold frequent meetings
- Conduct awareness training sessions related to Internet governance Issues
- Provide more opportunities for youth to participate in national, regional and global forums and meetings

RUSSIA

Meeting took place on November 1st, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator: Mr Mihail KOMAROV, Higher School of Economics

Youth IGF Ambassador: Ms Margarita PETRUNINA (IT Specialist)



MESSAGE

1. It's fabulous

- We use the Internet for communication with other people from different countries
- We use the Internet for international sales
- We use the Internet for business

2. We need

- High-speed data transfer across Russia
- To improve the population's digital literacy
- Relevant content

3. We suggest

- Reviewing the current law on personal data
- Creating law-enforcement agencies to prevent fraud
- Checking content to ensure it is not plagiarised

SUDAN

Facebook: Youth IGF in Sudan (183 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in September 2016

Meeting took place on August 28, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator: Mr Hago DAFALLA, IT Engineer, University of Gezira



MESSAGE

1. We discussed

- Local engagement of Sudanese communities in Internet governance, and creation of awareness about ICANN, the Global IGF, and the Youth IGF
- How to build capacity in the Sudanese local community for addressing the future challenge of the Internet in Sudan and Africa
- The importance of Rules of the Youth IGF to ensure freedom and privacy online and the provision of secure, stable and fast internet that meets the requirements of citizens to live in dignity and to ensure human rights to freedom and democracy

2. We need

- Lifting of the economic embargo on Sudan, which would help in the growth of ICTs
- Creating strong international laws in the fight against cybercrime and protecting children from the dangers of the internet. Attendees also stressed the importance of ensuring freedom of expression on the Internet and the protection of bloggers on the internet and online platforms
- The right of women to catch up with men in the area of the internet and information technology, and called for young people to find equal opportunities in training and grants to attend conferences and workshops, because Sudan is a developing country that needs financial support

3. We suggest

- Working to find a quick mechanism to ensure financial support for the Sudanese to attend conferences and training programs
- Equitable representation in international committees and ensuring rights and opportunities for young people in developing countries in equality of opportunity
- Breaching the digital divide between the developed world and developing countries for further development and sustainable development and ensuring human rights

UKRAINE

First engagement meeting took place on September 28, 2016

Youth IGF Coordinator Mr Alexander TSARUK, Parliament of Ukraine



MESSAGE

The results of an online poll during the event

The main problems of the younger generation of Ukrainian Internet users are:

- Balance of security and privacy
- Free access
- Internet as tool of e-democracy
- Open learning resources
- Cybercrime and protection of children from online threats

The participants underlined the need for sharing information about the possibilities for youth in Internet governance. In such cases young people can use the Internet Governance Forum as a place to share their experiences and discuss Internet governance.

URUGUAY

Facebook: (95 Likes on January 16th, 2017) – created in November 2016

Meeting took place on November 17, 2016

Youth IGF Ambassadors: Ms Nicolas FIUMARELLI and Mr Federico Rodríguez HORMAECHEA, IT Engineers



MESSAGE

1. We discussed

- Privacy and its perception by children
- Knowledge and information access – correctness and truth
- Security standards and raising awareness about risks and vulnerabilities

2. We need to know about....

- The topic of data protection and privacy for children
- How news generates public opinion. Who has the power to judge whether a story is true or false?
- People are not aware of the vulnerabilities of security protocols and the breaking of the most classic algorithms of cryptography ... people are exposed without education

3. We suggest

- Parental control should be stricter, and in such cases, demonstrate that there is a responsible figure behind that minor. A tutor or representative should be considered to provide a guarantee.
- Generate categorisations of the information and articles cited, generating a label (such as that of transgenic products), a kind of alarm that warns that it does not have sufficient support from the sources. In Wikipedia this already exists, but not in digital media in general. Google could categorise this information in some way.
- Launch a nationwide campaign to let people know about vulnerabilities and possible attacks and theft of information. This should be included in compulsory basic education for children, as well as adult refresher programs. It is important to build trust, but in the meantime through collaborative security approaches, people must know the risks they run when exposing their data on the Internet with vulnerable algorithms.