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Global multistakeholder meeting on the future of internet governance

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Background

- Reactions of the international community due to the revelations of mass surveillance by the NSA, such as the Montevideo Declaration and Dilma Roussef's speech at the 68th UNGA
- The idea of the need to develop a framework and set principles for the governance and use of the internet arised strongly
- Conversations were held among the Brazilian government and ICANN CEO

Process

- It led to a global multistakeholder meeting organised by the CGI.br and 1net and held in Brazil on April 23 – 24, 2014
- Two multistakeholder committees were created to perform key tasks:
 - HLMC to oversee the overall strategy
 - EMC to develop the format and agenda, call for participants and manage the content contributions

Process - successes

- A key legacy of the event is its success in crafting an open and participatory process that produced an outcome document in a multistakeholder and bottom-up way
- 180 online contributions which was the basis for the first draft outcome document
- More than 300 comments to the draft
- Points raised from the floor and through remote participation during the meeting
- Synthesis by expert group through drafting sessions open to the public

Process - shortcomings

- Lack of clearly defined and transparent process for the meeting itself left lots of process steering power to the host
- Spontaneous and ad-hoc decisions on the drafting process allegedly gave some parties influence beyond the public contribution process
- Some governments felt the process did not allow them to review, participate and approve outcomes effectively and in ways that are consistent with formal and informal established negotiation processes

Outcome

- A document which proposes a set of principles and a road map for the way in which the internet is used and governed, endorsed by the majority of participants

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1. Internet Governance Principles

-Human Rights and Shared Values:

- Freedom of Expression
- Freedom of Association
- Privacy
- Accessibility
- Freedom of Information and access to information
- Development

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- Protection of Intermediaries
- Culture and Linguistic Diversity
- Unified and Unfragmented Space
- Security, Stability and Resilience of the Internet
- Open and distributed architecture
- Enabling environment for sustainable innovation and creativity

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-Internet Governance Process Principles

- Multistakeholder
- Open, participative, consensus driven governance
- Transparent
- Accountable
- Inclusive and equitable
- Distributed
- Collaborative
- Enabling meaningful participation
- Access and low barriers
- Agility

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-Open Standards

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2. Roadmap for the Future Evolution of The Internet Governance
 - I. Issues that deserve attention of all stakeholders in the future evolution of Internet governance
 - II. Issues dealing with institutional improvements
 - III. Issues dealing with specific Internet governance topics
 - IV. Point to be further discussed beyond NETMundial