***Renewal of the UN IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)***

***Process and timeline leading to recommendations of representatives of the technical community***

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**Context**

Under-Secretary-General of UNDESA, Mr. Wu Hongbo, has issued a [public request for nominations](http://www.intgovforum.org/cms/magabout/mag-renewal-announcement) for the 2016 Multistakeholder Advisory Group, which will advise the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the programme and schedule of the IGF 2016 meeting.

The deadline for submissions is **1 February 2016.** The objective is to **rotate at least one third** of its members (i.e. 3 or 4 representatives from the technical community).

The Internet Society (ISOC) is coordinating the process leading to recommendations from the Internet Technical Collaboration Group for the renewal of the MAG.

**Individuals interested in being suggested by the Nominating Committee (NomCom) are invited to fill in a** [**Submission Template**](http://wp.internetsociety.org/internetcollaboration/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2016/01/2016-MAG-Nomination-Form_TC1.docx) **and** [**Supplementary Questions Form**](http://wp.internetsociety.org/internetcollaboration/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2016/01/Supplementary-Questions-Form-EL-LatestDraft.docx) **and send them to** **information.itcg@gmail.com** **by 22 January 2016.**

The **current MAG Members** representing the Internet technical community are:

* Xiaodong Lee (NIC CN, China)
* Peter Dengate Thrush (Counsel, Barrister, New Zealand)
* Lynn St. Amour (Internet Matters, USA)
* Izumi Okutani (JPNIC, Japan)
* Susan Chalmers (Independent Consultant, USA)
* Baher Esmat (ICANN, Egypt)
* Constance Bommelaer (ISOC, France)
* Flavio Wagner (CGI.br, Brazil)

**Process and timeline leading to recommendations of nominations:**

1. 8 January: Dissemination of the call inviting for expressions of interest to represent the technical community until 22 January.
2. 12 January: Formation of a NomCom for the 2016 MAG Renewal
3. 22 January: Expressions of interest compiled by the Internet Society
4. 22-31 January: NomCom reviews expressions of interest, finalizes its selection and presents it to the Internet Technical Collaboration Group.
5. 1 February: ISOC submits names to the Secretariat.

**Selection and Operation principles stated by the UN:**

(i) MAG members are selected to achieve a balance among all stakeholder groups, while retaining regional and gender representation, according to established procedures;

(ii) All MAG members serve in their personal capacity but are expected to have extensive linkages with their respective stakeholder groups;

(iii) The main task of MAG is to provide advice on the programme and main themes of the next meeting of the IGF;

(iv) MAG members are expected to attend two to three MAG meetings, held typically in Geneva, Switzerland, in addition to the annual IGF meeting. They should participate actively in the preparatory process throughout the year, through engagement in the online multilateral dialogue among MAG members;

(v) MAG meetings are open to Intergovernmental organizations.

**Criteria used by the NomCom**:

Any suggestions of names are welcome. Among the criteria necessary for
the function it would make sense for the candidates to:

* Respect the “Principles for the technical representation in the formulation and implementation of effective Internet governance”: <http://www.internetcollaboration.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2014/02/ITCG-Participation-Principles.pdf>
* Enjoy the respect of the community as a technical expert and/or technical community representative;
* Have technical expertise, knowledge and understand of the work of the technical community;
* Be experienced with IGF and institutional Internet Governance processes;
* Be experienced in meeting procedures, effective communication and productive participation;
* Have the ability and willingness to travel to MAG meetings;
* Contribute to the MAG’s gender and geographical balance.