IGF 2020 Sessions on the Theme of Trust – 6 November

Some of the acronyms used in the list are detailed below:

Acronym	Name spelled out in full
DC	Dynamic Coalition
OF	Open Forum
NRI	National, Regional, Sub-regional and Youth IGF initiatives
WS	Workshop

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6 November 2020	
8:00-9:00 UTC	**OF #32 Trustworthy internet technologies against COVID-19** Technology has played a key role in the COVID-19 global health crisis outbreak and it will play an even more important role in supporting countries and citizens to overcome the crisis. This session will look at how effective technology-based measures have been in tackling the spread of the virus; how they have ensured the respect of laws and fundamental rights; and what lessons can be learned for the development of trustworthy internet technologies and their use for public policy purposes. https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-of-32-trustworthy-internet-technologies-against-covid-19
8:00-9:00 UTC	**OF #27 Promoting Trust on the Internet through Osaka Track** The Internet space is the foundation of the digitalised activities in society and economy. In order to strengthen inclusive and sustainable development, it is critical to maintain the free, open and secure Internet space where the maximum benefits of innovation are realised. Therefore, Fostering "trust" in the Internet space is essential to promote "data free flow with trust". *Policy questions:* 1. How we foster Trust in the Internet space?

	2. How the Internet Governance could be improved and help Digital Economy flourish? 3. What would be the roles and responsibilities of different stakeholders and how the Multi-stakeholder approach would work better? https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-of-27-promoting-trust-on-the-internet-through-osaka-track
9:10-10:40	**Launch of DC Internet Standards, Security & Safety** This session includes: an opening presentation on the DC-ISSS objectives; formal presentations; presentations on the working Groups: i) security by design; ii) education and skills; and iii) procurement models for driving the deployment of security standards; an interactive discussion. https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-launch-of-dc-internet-standards-security-safety-dc-isss
10:20-11:20	**OF #40 Multitude of initiatives, single objective: stability** Over the recent years, various stakeholders launched initiatives on cybersecurity. Such rise of initiatives will inevitably influence the security and stability of cyberspace not necessarily by competing against one another, but forming a joint effort. This Open Forum will aim to be a platform to share information and develop common responses and find common denominators to build confidence among stakeholders, in order to contribute to the stability of cyberspace. https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-of-40-multitude-of-initiatives-single-objective-stability
19:30-20:30 UTC	**OF #42 Personal Sovereignty: Digital Trust in the Algorithmic Age** This session will explore dimensions of the challenges and opportunities in identifying innovative approaches to promote and use technologies for sustainable development. It will address how the shared goal of sustainable development can be realized by harnessing technologies, while at the same time minimizing their disruptive and adverse effects. https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-of-42-personal-sovereignty-digital-trust-in-the-algorithmic-age
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6:00-7:30 UTC	**WS #317 DNS-Abuse in the Age of COVID-19: Lessons Learned** *Policy questions:* 4. What actions can users and other stakeholders take to mitigate the impact of DNS fraud and abuse? 5. How can policy and collaboration contribute towards the protection, prevention and defense against cyber threats?

7:40-9:10 UTC	**WS #53 Right to Play?---Online Gaming and Child Rights** *Policy questions:* 6. What is the impact of online gaming in the exercises of rights of the child? Whether online games have a positive or negative influence on children and their development? 7. What are the roles of the industry, public authorities, parents, caregivers and children themselves in regulating access, behaviors and contents for healthy play in online games? How can they cooperate with each other? 8. To what extent can online gaming industry mitigate the risks posed by online games while assuring the best interest of the child/ without (disproportionately) restricting children's rights? What are the good practices? How could we facilitate communications within the industry? 9. How to empower children as active right holders in online gaming? Why is it essential to involve the perspective of children and their rights in online gaming? 10. Are there any ethical implications/concerns/questions of business/monetization models/strategies targeted at children deployed by online gaming companies? (e.g.'data for access'model; F2P) If any, what could be done to offer a more ethical solution?
11:00-12:00 UTC	**WS #57 E-Human Trafficking: Understanding, Challenges, Opportunities** *Policy questions:* 11. How can technology be developed, harmonized, and deployed to help combat all forms of human trafficking? 12. What economic, political, social conditions would need to be met for this to occur? 13. In particular, how can big data assist in stopping traffickers and hold them accountable? What are the challenges and concerns big data present in this realm? 14. How can both national and international legal and institutional frameworks be improved to allow scalable replications of good practices?
12:10-13:40 UTC	**WS #43 Trusted Digital Space via PRIDA–Informed Transformed Africa** Session focus is trust & CBM in cyberspace in the context of Africa. Space to discuss issues of trust that hinders the use & utilization by AUC member states of the advanced data-driven digital services, such as IOT, big data, AI & ML. Challenges & opportunities presented by the global processes of digitalisation & datafication will be highlighted including the role of stakeholders in developing governance frameworks for a safe & trusted online space ie Ratification of Malabo Convention.

15. What is the role of continental organizations such as the African Union Commission in building trust in the Cyberspace for member states to confidently engage? What is the role of the member states? How can African Member States be cyber resilient and develop cyber defense policies, strategies and capabilities? How can we build and improve trust among the African stakeholders in the Cyberspace?
16. With the exponential growth of digital technologies globally, how can African states reap maximum benefits while trying to remain sovereign? What more can be done to build the necessary trust which is a prerequisite to reap the benefits of the digital space?
17. Africans' active presence and participation in the global digital space and related processes is relatively low. Notwithstanding, Africa has a pool of knowledgeable and educated human capacity that can play a critical role in the development of Internet public policy and technical standards. Why the disconnect? What role can AUC and other regional organizations play?
18. Could ratification of Malabo Convention be the panacea for a united continent with shared norms, standards and principles, providing a common voice and a base for trust building across the continent?
19. Use of digital currencies ranging from mobile money to credit cards has been a lifeline during the COVID-19 pandemic, what structures should African States put in place, including policies and strategies for continuity in a trusted digital space.
20. What Confidence Building Measures (CBMs) should stakeholders in cyberspace advance to reduce and eliminate causes of mistrust, fear, misunderstanding, misinformation and miscalculation that may stem from the use of Digital technologies? What are the responsibilities of public authorities in regulating or policing content, and where and how should the balance be struck between freedom of expression and public safety?
21. How do we draw the line between freedom of expression, privacy and security?
22. What should be the norms, standards and principles of responsible behavior in cyberspace? Is there a need for oversight on the application of the rules to ensure conformation across the Continent? Should these norms, standards and principles be contextualized to address the local environment?
23. Children are at more risk when exposed to the digital space without adequate and comprehensive policies and strategies to safeguard their interests. The risks include sexual exploitation, radicalization and distribution of extremism materials. What possible measures can mitigate their plight?

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17:20-18:50 UTC	**WS #342 People vs machines: collaborative content moderation** *Policy questions:* 24. How can policy support participative, collaborative content moderation that creates trust in platforms and the internet?

	25. What kind of architectures promote people's ability to address disinformation, incitement to violence, and other types of content that can harm society?
	26. Where do users need to be supported through tools to address harmful content without being harmed themselves?
	https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-ws-342-people-vs-machines-collaborative-content-moderation