Report of the dynamic coalition on Child online safety at the IGF, Sharm El Sheikh,

Attendees: Members of the Dynamic Coalition on Child Online Safety

New attendees: NSPCC, Representative of Mauritius government delegate,

New Member : ITU representatives

The session of the dynamic coalition started with the presentation from ITU who was the new member to the Coalition and presented their COP initiative. The idea of the COP and how it can link with the work of the coalition was presented. Four guidelines that was created under the initiative was also presented to the members and possible inputs requested. The ITU also offered to provide technical solutions to the coalition if such need arose.

The INSAFE network announced the upcoming Safer Internet Day and invited the other members to take part and contribute with their expertise in that given event. Positive feedback from the other members who had earlier participated in the event was received.

The chair of the Coalition ECPAT International proposed to start working on the agenda items of the next IGF and invited the members to throw in their ideas as to how the session at the next IGF could benefit by providing some concrete outcomes such as toolkits and guidelines that could be used by members to advance the work on child protection online. It was also mentioned that the Brazilian members had worked on developing specific guidelines on working with ISPs which could be shared with other members. Private sector involvement was sought eagerly by the chair, which was seconded by the representative from Family Online Safety who mentioned that the private sector is more than happy at the moment to advance the work on child safety and work in collaboration with the other stakeholders . It is important to shape the nature of the collaboration and have clear ideas at the start on what the collaboration would be based on and the deliverables and outcome of such joint work.

The members shared some of the key areas of work that they were involved in such as education and awareness building, working with the law enforcement, policy making and also working directly with children who are affected by the exploitation carried out through the internet. They also discussed an those efforts could be enhanced by bringing learning from other regions. Mauritius representative shared interest in the work done by the coalition at the IGF and expressed that the government of Mauritius was planning for an event that could lead to a discussion

on Child safety issues and ways of incorporating such mechanisms in their national plan.

Members of the coalition expressed strong desire to expand the work in other regions as predominantly the western countries were represented in the coalition. It was indicated that the groups should start focusing on the event in Kenya in two years time, which would allow not only to connect to agencies in such countries but start identifying issues that are relevant in such regions and bring it to the forefront during the IGF in Africa. It was felt that the dynamic coalition should go beyond the workshops convened at the IGF and allow the members to bring critical thinking and analytical observations from the regional work to an international platform, which would in turn allow the policy makers to be aware of such issues and design relevant policies and implement suitable measures in consultation with International experts.

It was agreed that the members would continue to share information within themselves, including good practices, models and case studies and also keep each other updated on any new initiatives. The members expressed strong desire to convene again at the next years workshop with specific topics of discussion and present key findings in their work at the next IGF. The coordinator of the coalition will submit the proposal on behalf of the coalition and communicate with the IGF secretariat about such workshop agenda.