## IGF 2025 Second Open Consultation and MAG meeting

## DotAsia

## Statement

- DotAsia update for 2nd OC / MAG meeting
- DotAsia Organisation is the Registry operator of the generic top level domain .ASIA. Dot Asia is a not-for-profit membership based org, our governance structure includes the ccTLDs in the region as well as AP I\* and regional organizations. Our domain name proceeds go to our Community Projects contributing to Internet education and advancement in Asia with a core mandate is to promote Internet development in the region.
- We share the community calls to strengthening the IGF as an institution with a permanent mandate, and particularly the 176+ National, Regional, Sub-regional and Youth Initiatives (NRIs) to help deliver and implement GDC commitments, and for multistakeholder input into the WSIS+20 review.
- Two key projects in Internet Governance we would like to highlight:
  - EcoInternet Index (https://ecointernet.asia) this index measures carbon footprint or eco-friendliness of the Internet. The index is built around 3 axes: Energy, Efficiency and Digital Economy. In 2025, we will be looking to refine the methodology and index, as well as expand to over 20 jurisdictions across Asia Pacific.
  - Netmission (<u>https://netmission.asia/</u>) one of the longest running youth capacity building and leadership program in Internet Governance since 2009, alumni have been nominated to the IGF MAG, started their own national and subregional youth IGFs and are actively engaged and contributing to the global youth network, including the Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy.
- Our four streams of on-going and anticipated IGF intersessional work, and inputs into the WSIS+20 review:
- As the Secretariat for Asia Pacific regional IGF <u>https://aprigf.asia/</u>, and fully supporting the AP youth IGF (<u>https://yigf.asia/</u>) to be held 11-14 October 2025 Kathmandu, Nepal
- The regional Parliamentary track will be hosted (following the inaugural regional track first held during the Brisbane meeting)
- The regional youth IGF will be part of the global youth track, hosting the topical session "Age verification and social media regulation"

- A WSIS+20 working track is being set up for the APrIGF community.
- NetMission+ will be activating the APAC youth alumni networks in conjunction with regional governments for opportunities for substantive youth input into respective economies/national consultations and other channels to the WSIS+20 review.
- AP\* a community of Asia Pacific Internet Organizations- is looking to contribute to the WSIS+20 review, and plan to have an intersessional right after the zero draft of the elements paper is published.
- A Technical Community Coalition for Multistakeholderism (<u>https://www.tccm.global/</u>) - a group of critical Internet infrastructure operators dedicated to strengthening the multistakeholder approach to Internet governance (see separate detailed update from TCCM).