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## BPF on BPFs

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## Objectives of the BPF on BPFs

*(as per MAG ToRs)*



‘document lessons learned, outputs, and where possible outcomes of BPFs organised between 2014 and 2019 and inform the process for evaluating, proposing and approving BPFs from 2021 onwards’



‘develop a systematised evaluation tool, with proposals for metrics by which the MAG could assess BPF proposals and outcomes, as well as provide guidance for best practices on organising and leading a BPF’

## Activities

- Outreach to the coordinating teams and key participants of the 26 BPFs organised in 2014-2019;
- Exchange of experiences and observations
  - > dedicated mailing list
  - > 3 virtual meetings
- Feedback on draft versions of the report

## Participants

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## Structure of the Report

## Main outputs

### Introduction

IGF Best Practice Forums

A BPF on BPFs

Making BPFs future proof

### Documenting experiences

BPFs 2014-2019: themes and topics

BPFs 2014-2019: achievements and successes

### Organising BPFs: observations, challenges and recommendations

BPF definition and purpose

Selection of topics and BPF modalities

BPF cycle versus BPF 'active' period

Participation and outreach

Expectations and goal

Cooperation with other IGF activities and work streams

Sharing and disseminating BPF outputs / BPF impact

### Towards a mechanism supporting the selection of BPF topics

### Draft BPF Modalities document

Annexe 1 Overview BPF topics 2014-2019

Annexe 2 ToRs BPF on BPFs

Annexe 3 BPF Toolkit, practical tips and tricks to organise a BPF

Annexe 4 Draft Template for BPF Proposals

Recommendations  
and suggestions

BPF modalities  
document

Metrics to evaluate  
BPF proposals and  
outcomes

## Examples of observations and recommendations

*"There is no consolidated document that explains BPF definitions, procedures and modalities."*

*"Targeted outreach is of key importance for a BPF"*

*"It's challenging for a BPF to work through an ambitious program in a short time frame of less than six months."*

*"The participation of relevant institutions and key stakeholders can give a boost to the BPF."*

*"BPFs have proven to be successful when their focus coincides with relevant policy discussions"*

*"BPF participants should be stimulated to take ownership of the BPF."*

## The assessment and selection of BPF proposals

The BPF on BPFs developed a framework with metrics to assess proposals on three dimensions:

- Is the topic relevant and suitable for a BPF?  
(e.g. will it be possible and does it still make sense to collect best practice on the topic?)
- Is a community driven multistakeholder discussion realistic?  
(e.g. will the BPF be able to gather sufficient community interest and stakeholder involvement?)
- Predicting the BPF's potential to contribute to enhancing the IGF's impact on Internet governance and policy.  
(e.g. Is there a realistic outreach strategy to involve organisations or initiatives outside the traditional IGF community?)

## Review and Feedback

The report is available at

<https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/bpf-on-bpfs>

Feedback can be submitted to [bpfs-info@intgovforum.org](mailto:bpfs-info@intgovforum.org)

*We would welcome feedback by 15 September.*



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