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Post-Meeting Report for Funded Participants

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1. **How would you describe your participation at the IGF meeting? (max. 150 words)**

I would say my participation is of great importance for me personally and for my organization and Government. The Internet Governance is a relatively new concept for a small nation like Kiribati and therefore none or a few people have knowledge of it.

As we are gradually getting more and more connected to the Internet, we obviously seen issues that catch our attention yet we do not know how to address them. My participation in this year's IGF meeting allowed me to learn more of the different approaches to the Internet Governance but also the role of the Government in facilitating the dialogue among stakeholders in the Government.

2. **What is the most important benefit you have gained at the meeting? (max. 300 words)**

I would say the most important benefit is that I get to know important people who can help in building the environment needed for the Internet Governance dialogue my country.

The other benefit is that I get to learn of the experience of different countries on how they approach the Internet governance locally, regionally and globally. This knowledge is important because it gave the idea of what works and what does not work, why and how to make it work in your own context.

I also benefitted from building the connection with my Pacific colleagues who have been around for quite some times in the Internet governance space. Last but not least, I also got in touch with UNESCO to discuss the Internet Universality Indicators which I believe it is very fundamental in understanding the Internet environment in a country and one that can lead to the birth of the Internet Governance Forum in Kiribati.

3. **What inputs do you plan to bring to your community from the meeting? (max. 300 words)**

Since I work for the Government and also voluntarily leading Kiribati Computer and Internet Society as Chairman, I have quite a number of interesting activities in the plan.

First, for the Government we are going to work with UNESCO to deploy the Internet Universality Indicator study based on the ROAM-X principles. This will allow the Government to get a better understanding of the Internet environment in Kiribati and sort of identifying the gaps and way forward to address them. This is also believed to be a step in the establishment of the environment needed for the Internet Governance dialogue or form in the country.

I brought back with me loads of resources in the form of materials such as books, flyers etc. In our KCIS circle, I know a lot of people with different backgrounds that potentially would be interested in learning more of the Internet governance. I plan to distribute this material to them so they can use it to get more understanding of how their nature of work and background is relevant to the Internet governance.

4. **Briefly outline your participation at the IGF meeting, including attended sessions, gained   knowledge, networking, recommendations for improvements. (max. 500 words)**

There are 23 in total the number of sessions I was able to attend during the 5 day meeting.

The highlights sessions for me are:
- Pre-Event 3 – Improving evidence-based Internet Policies: UNESCO national assessments using the R.O.A.M.-X Indicators
- Pre-Event 18 – Children's Rights in the Digital World – A Case for Internet Governance
- NRIs Collaborative Session on Cybersecurity: National and Regional experiences in approaches and cooperation for cyber-security
- Deliberating Governance Approaches to Disinformation
- Opening Ceremony
- NRI Collaborative Session on Data Protection
- Closing the Digital Gap for marginalized communities
- Online Protection of underage users
- Making Global Data Governance work for Developing countries
- Digitally skilling our youth: varied Global approaches
- DC on Small Island Developing States in the Internet Economy

I learned new perspectives on Cybersecurity in relation to Online Child Protection and international, regional and national experiences in approaching cooperation for cybersecurity and resilience. I also learned important things on Data Governance and Protection and I also joined the Dynamic Coalition Group on small island developing states. The other important thing I learned is the important of equipping today's youth with digital skills and the lessons from countries on a number of different approaches.

Last but not least is the UNESCO R.O.A.M.-X Indicator which I found very interesting and one that I will ensure to work with UNESCO on its implementation the coming months in my country.

The 5 days was intensive but it was also fun and offered me an opportunity to meet new people, establish connections especially with my fellow Pacific Islanders who are passionate and active members of the Internet Society.

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