



**14th Annual Internet Governance Meeting
25 – 29 November 2019
Berlin, Germany**

Post-Meeting Report for Funded Participants

Please submit the report no later than 15 December 2019 to Ms. Lima Madomi from the IGF Secretariat at: lima.madomi@un.org

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

First, would like to thank the UN for the opportunity not only to participate for the first time at an IGF but also to allow me to participate on the panel about IoT. My participation at the IGF 2019, was interesting, It made me feel like i was part of a large famiuly of people striving daily to allow affordable access to the internet and special with no restrictions and controls over what one can and cannot do online. From a researcher prespective was interesting to connect with Jane Coffin and Nick Bidwell but at the same time as a regulator i felt that there should be more regulators allowed to participate on the panels. There is much to be said about what is to regulate the emergence of new technologies and trends such as community networks and other issues.

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

There were several benefits, from knowing and linking with new people.

I think the most important is the possibility of combining the existing regulatory framework and approach we have to provide universal access to the internet, with people who are working towards the same issue for several years. The people I manage to talk they have experimented and deploy community networks in many other countries and are eager to do the same thing in Mozambique.

We aim to deploy a network in the Gaza, Limpopo region following a R&D approach whereas no one from the community pays for the network and the regulator using the USF finance the activity.

Other benefits were mostly related to research projects around the internet bringing in people from companies to support our struggle to deploy and provide access to the internet for education sector.

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

- 1- We need to prepare a regulation or guidelines to allow community networks to be deployed having minimum spectrum resources;
- 2- We must do research and development with technologies that we can create;
- 3- We must enrich our curriculum and education sector to be more proactive and active when it comes to the rules and guidelines on how to use the internet and provide a safe environment for everyone.
- 4- DNS is an important resource for the internet and must have redundancy and better coordination with the AFRINIC.

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

The pace at the IGF is really fast, I would like to have more Mozambicans on key sectors related to the internet participating. The Brazilian and Portuguese delegation were well represented if we are to make something about education regarding the usage of internet would be very difficult as our contexts are different. It was interesting to participate and demonstrate to the ministers of the European Union about the challenges. They have imposed on the duty cycle for IoT that it only benefits Europe and not the rural Africa which represents 70%

Of the continent. The knowledge attained during the event is more on perceptions and also where your mind stands, if you wear the hat of research you have a wider understanding while when you are a regulator you have a narrow vision on issues but a wider view on the market. It is difficult and we need people from the parliament attending these issues. The UN must directly invite them otherwise we come home and we talk to the wind.

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