

We are pleased to forward the following endorsements and selections made by the Internet Governance Civil Society Coordination Group (CSCG) Nomcom for civil society representatives on the NMI Coordination Council.

The voting Nomcom for this task was Jeremy Malcolm (for Best Bits), Virginia Paque (for Diplo Foundation), Robin Gross (for Non Commercial Stakeholders Group), Chat Ramilo (for Association for Progressive Communications), and Deirdre Williams (for Internet Governance Caucus). We report as follows.

CRITERIA AND PROCESS

The CSCG Nomcom carefully examined the suggested responsibilities outlined by NMI for overall selection at <https://www.netmundial.org/coordination-council-nominations>. Additionally, we particularly noted the requirement that “nominees must demonstrate Internet governance thought leadership by providing ...examples of recent contributions and/or involvement in Internet governance policy/development. Examples include papers written on the subject, community leadership positions, etc.

To this we added specific civil society concerns and emphases, namely

- Involvement in global and/or regional civil society networks and capacity/willingness to communicate widely within civil society
- Previous experience and involvement with IGF as the main global forum for discussion of internet governance matters, and an understanding and appreciation of its role in the internet governance ecosystem
- Gender and other balance considerations.

EVALUATION

The Nomcom evaluated the names submitted as civil society candidates under each geographical area and submits as follows.

AFRICA

Candidates:

Baudouin Schombe

John Dada

Ayaovi Olevie Agbenyo Kouami

Mawaki Chango

Anriette Esterhuysen

Endorsement

This region attracted some very high quality candidates, each offering different qualities and skills that would be beneficial to NMI. However, forced to choose one candidate only, and bearing in mind the various criteria for selection, we support the appointment of **Anriette Esterhuysen** as civil society representative from this region.

Anriette is very highly qualified, as a subject matter expert on internet governance, a forceful advocate for civil society perspectives, a person with a strong record of achievement as a leader of a large NGO coalition working in this area, and as an experienced negotiator and networker with affiliations with many internet governance networks and fora. These qualities stand out and lead us to her recommendation

ASIA/OCEANIA

Candidates:

Nabil Bukhalid

Ian Peter

Endorsement

This region did not attract a quantity of nominations to allow for selection of an ideal candidate in terms of gender and other balance criteria. In addition, we felt that one of the candidates, Nabil Bukhalid, coming from the Lebanese Internet Center (LINC) is more appropriate as a technical community representative.

Ian Peter is highly qualified with a trajectory in Internet and Internet governance in different areas, notably including his early involvement of the Internet, his knowledge of Internet history, and his work as a facilitator in IG (e.g. co-coordinator of the Internet governance caucus and the CSCG). While the issue of whether there was a conflict with his role as non-voting chair of the CSCG was considered, we endorse him as the representative from Asia.

EUROPE

Candidates:

Jean Robert Nchekoua Tchoumba

Jean Jacques Subrenat

Endorsement

We support the endorsement of **Jean-Jacques Subrenat** for this region. Jean Jacques has mainly been active on internet governance issues within ICANN, where he has served as a Director and in

several other positions. He has also written extensively on other internet governance issues of concern, and we would welcome the application of his significant expertise and experience to a wider range of issues.

LATIN AMERICA AND CARRIBEAN

Candidates:

Frederico Meinberg Ceroy

Serio Salinas Porto

Renato Blum

João Carlos Rebello Caribe

Endorsement

We support **João Carlos Rebello Caribe** as the civil society representative for this region. Joao is active in a range of civil society fora and within IGF, and his application is endorsed by a number of LAC region activist organisations. We believe that the perspectives he will bring to the table will provide an important contribution to this initiative.

NORTH AMERICA

Candidates:

Eileen Donahoe

Robert Steele

Endorsement

CSCG considered carefully the options for civil society and North America. We are concerned that neither candidate has an involvement with the broad range of civil society networks involved with internet governance, while recognising that both are acknowledged players on issues of concern to us – open source and human rights.

We believe that the selection of **Eileen Donahoe** would assist gender balance within the civil society representatives, as well as helping to address what looks to be a substantial gender balance problem overall.

We also note that in the academic categories there are candidates well connected with civil society and other constituencies whose selection would overcome some of our concerns for a more comprehensive approach to internet governance issues. While we have no role whatsoever in these selections, we do suggest that broad overview of the complex range of issues involved will be important to NetMundial's success.

As the CSCG Nomcom representing civil society for appointments to the NMI Coordination Council, we commend these nominations to you.

Robin Gross (for Non Commercial Stakeholders Group)

Jeremy Malcolm (for Best Bits)

Virginia Paque (for Diplo Foundation)

Chat Ramilo (for Association for Progressive Communications)

Deirdre Williams (for Internet Governance Caucus)