

# Messages from Berlin

## Recommendations of the German IGF-D for the NETMundial Meeting

The following messages and recommendations resulted from the briefing and discussion of the proposal of the German government delegation for the NETmundial conference held at the German IGF preparatory meeting:

PP1 Acknowledging the reinforcement of the multistakeholder model as a manifestation of democracy and the governance principle on internet issues;

PP2 Noting the importance of addressing technical aspects since infrastructure has a crucial role to enable and warrant human rights online;

PP3 Endorsing the emphasis of the German government delegation on privacy issues as one of the human rights being at stake in the current digital landscape;

PP4 Recalling that mass surveillance was one of the motives leading to the NETmundial conference,

PP5 Remarking that the mass surveillance issues revealed by the leaks of Edward Snowden are not regulated by data protection principles but by regulation on national security,

The participants of the German IGF pre-event on NETmundial

(1) call upon all conference participants and decision makers:

- To define and precise the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders in accordance with democratic rules;
- To include mechanisms to foster the participation of civil society and youth by including them in the early stages of dialogue and enhancing transparency and information access at a regional, national and international level;
- To provide for checks and balances mechanisms in the envisioned roadmap;

- To provide for alternative and additional implementation mechanisms to national enforcement and interpretation;

(2) Request the explicit inclusion of principles to counter mass surveillance,

(3) Affirm the importance of setting a balance between the rights of privacy and freedom of expression,

(4) Call for programs to strengthening citizens' capability in digital media literacy and interpretation of today's policies

(5) Request the explicit inclusion of the principle of net neutrality,

(6) Recommend the continuance of the work started at NETmundial in the IGF fora.