CCWG-Accountability-WS2

Report on the pros and cons of a public consultation on a unified final report vs individual topic approval

Summary of positions presented during the 22 February plenary (relevant notes at the end of this document):

- Individual approvals (3): Robin Gross, Niels ten Oever, Michael Karanicolas,
- Single final report and approval (7): Jorge Cancio, Mark Carvell, Sebastien Bachollet, David McAuley, Lori Schulman, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Tijani Ben Jemaa
- Split Approach (3): Greg Shatan, Tatiana Tropina, Kavouss Arasteh
 - Individual approval for those topics, such as good faith, which do not have links to recommendations of other sub-groups and grouping of all those sub-groups that do have links in their recommendations.

Pros and Cons for a Single final public consultation:

- Pros:
 - Avoids possible conflicts or gaps between the recommendations of various subgroups.
 - o SO/ACs only have to focus and approve one document
- Cons:
 - Single document will be a long, very diverse and complex document.
 - If one recommendation or topic is rejected could imply the entire unified report is rejected.
 - Cannot publish until the last sub-group has completed its work (when are subgroups closed?)).
 - Energy around a recommendation may dissipate or external events may occur that impact the recommendations the longer we wait the greater the risk.
 - Not all sub-groups have a potential for conflicts between them (split approach)