



# Synthesis Document

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# Background

- The concept was first raised and discussed by the MSG at the previous APrIGF in New Delhi 2014
- Began as an experiment at the APrIGF in Macau 2015 (then in Taipei 2016 and Bangkok 2017)
- Purpose was to document items of common interest relevant to Internet Governance in the Asia-Pacific region and it provides another opportunity to project the voices, views and thoughts of the region on Internet Governance issues that are relevant to us.
- It is not meant to be representative of the diverse views of the region but represents the combined views of those attending the APrIGF and in relation to the topics that were discussed at the meeting
- 2017 APrIGF Synthesis Document was shared with the IGF community at the Global IGF in Geneva.

# APrIGF 2018 – Port Vila, Vanuatu

*Empowering communities in Asia-Pacific to build an Affordable, Inclusive, Open and Secure Internet*

**Subthemes:** Access and Empowerment, Cybersecurity, Digital Economy and Emerging Internet Technologies, Diversity and Inclusion, Multi-stakeholder Participation in Internet Governance.

- In order to get more input from regional participants (F2F & remote)
  - Last year, WEBINAR to introduce people to the synthesis document
  - Regular meetings of the DRAFTING COMMITTEE
  - FRAMING DOCUMENT is online – [DRAFT ZERO](#) - initial text based on the conference theme and its various sub-themes (taken from accepted workshop text & in a google doc.)
  - SUB-THEME LEADERS from the APrIGF community have volunteered to coordinate the comments that come in as part of the synthesising process
  - A FORMAL PLATFORM will be provided online for comments to be inserted during the conference
  - **\*\*TOWN HALL SESSION** each end of day – open mike - public contribution to the conference topics