1. **Title of the Session**

The NETmundial Statement and the Evolution of the Internet Governance Ecosystem

2. **Length**

120 minutes

3. **Brief Description/Objective**

The NETmundial Multistakeholder Statement covers a wide range of Internet Governance issues that are of great relevance to the IGF. In particular, the Statement highlighted the need for a strengthened IGF in its mandate of serving as the focal point for the discussion of many issues, according to the Tunis Agenda, including some that may not yet be fully addressed in existing organizations, processes and fora.

The session has two main objectives:

a) To take stock of the evolution of the Internet Governance ecosystem with regard to the principles and roadmap contained in the NETmundial Multistakeholder Statement.

b) To review the current and future impact of the NETmundial Statement on Internet Governance processes.

This main session aims at taking stock of how those issues are being advanced by the broader Internet governance community 18 months after the São Paulo meeting, by means of concrete examples provided by various players of the ecosystem dealing with different governance issues at national, regional, or international levels.

4. **Agenda and format**

The session will have an initial, very brief presentation of the NETmundial process and Statement, made by the moderators, to set the scene and provide a baseline understanding across all participants.

The main part of the session will be organized in five consecutive blocks. The three initial blocks will correspond to the discussion of the three policy questions (see item 5 below). In each of these blocks, a main speaker will have 10 minutes to address concrete examples that show the advancement of the Internet Governance ecosystem, as appropriate for each of the policy questions. A debater will have 5 minutes immediately after the main speaker to discuss his/her contribution. The fourth block will bring three debaters that will address all three policy questions together. The fifth and final block will be entirely reserved for the interaction with the audience, from a global perspective regarding all policy questions.

As in NETmundial, four microphones will be arranged in the room, corresponding to the four main communities – governments, private sector, civil society, technical community / academia. Four remote queues will be arranged similarly, but, depending on the interest of the different communities, there will be a smaller number of remote queues. Questions and contributions from the on-site and remote audiences will rotate among the communities, considering both the on-site microphones and the remote queues.

5. **Policy Questions**
a) How is the Internet Governance community advancing towards the NETmundial proposal of strengthening IGF to better serve as a platform for discussing longstanding and emerging issues that are not being fully addressed by the current IG ecosystem with a view to contributing to the identification of possible ways to address them – or to better help provide information where those issues are being addressed?

b) Are organizations, processes and fora that form the IG ecosystem working according to the principles of Internet Governance as proposed in the NETmundial Statement? How do their operating principles align to these principles? Are there efforts to improve alignment where needed?

c) How are the items in the NETmundial roadmap being covered by the current Internet Governance ecosystem? Are those items being covered by processes that align to the NETmundial principles? What else should be done / initiated by the community in this regard?

6. Chair

Percival Henriques, CGI.br [provided by the Host Country]

7. Moderators and facilitators

On-site moderators will be Demi Getschko (NIC.br) and Raúl Echeberría (ISOC). Remote moderator will be Rafael Prince (Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs). The three moderators will work together to set the pace of the session and to allow for an adequate interaction with on-site and remote participants.

MAG facilitators are Flávio Wagner (CGI.br, Brazil) and Ana Neves (FCT, Portugal).

8. Panelists

Policy Question 1
Speaker: Benedicto Fonseca, Brazil [Ministry of Foreign Affairs, government]
Debater: Jacquelynn Ruff, US [Verizon, private sector]

Policy Question 2
Speaker: Anne Carblanc, France [OECD, intergovernmental organization]
Debater: Carolina Rossini, US [Public Knowledge, civil society]

Policy Question 3
Speaker: Jeanette Hoffman, Germany [WZB Berlin Social Science Center, academia]
Debater: Chris Painter, US [State Department, government]

Other Debaters:
Nii Quaynor, Ghana [University of Cape Coast, academia]
Anja Kovacs, India [Internet Democracy Project, civil society]
Markus Kummer, Switzerland [ICANN, technical community]

9. Remote moderator/Plan for online interaction?

Remote hubs shall be used to allow more lively interaction with remote participants. Four remote queues will be arranged corresponding to the four main communities – governments, private sector, civil society, technical community / academia. Questions and contributions from the on-site and remote audiences will rotate among the on-site microphones and remote queues. More details still to be defined.
10. ‘Feeder’ workshops (if applicable) and/or connections with other sessions?

The theme of the High-Level Meeting on Day 0 will be “The Evolution of the IG Ecosystem post-2015”. It is expected that many leaders from different stakeholder groups will bring contributions to this High-Level Meeting that have a direct link to the policy issues of this main session. A direct link may also exist with discussions that will take place in the WSIS+10 main session, which will also address the evolution of IGF, among other issues.

11. Desired results/output

The main session aims to deliver, to the extent possible, a document describing, with examples, the evolution of the Internet Governance, at national, regional and international levels, subsequent to the Sao Paulo meeting, with regard to both (a) the principles for Internet Governance that have been defined by the NETmundial Statement and (b) the NETmundial roadmap, as well as places where improvements may be considered.

The output shall be prepared by two designated rapporteurs, Diego Canabarro (NIC.br) and Rafael Prince (Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs), who will work closely with the moderators and MAG facilitators and will also seek feedback from the panelists.