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DiploFoundation's capacity building approach in
Internet governance

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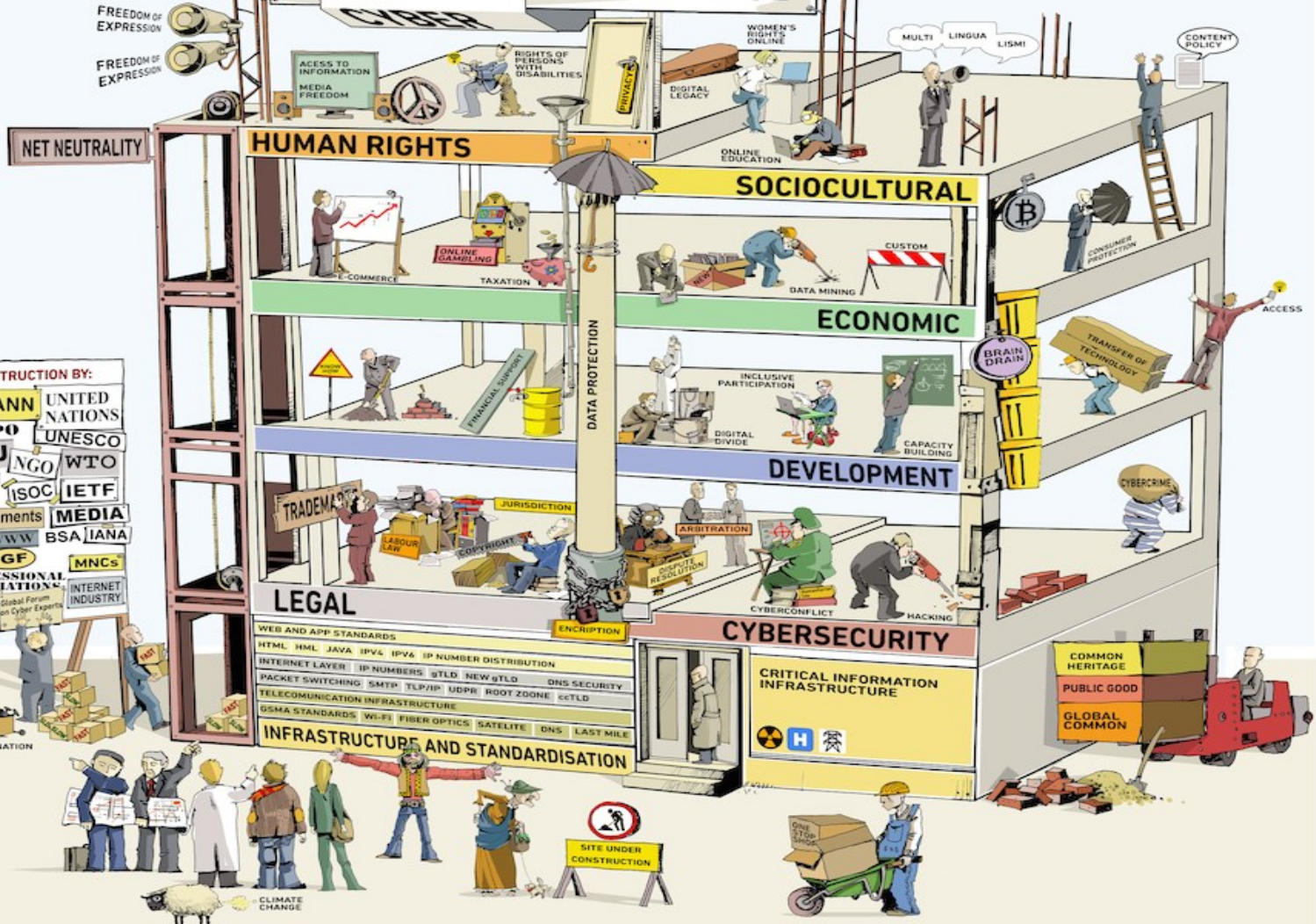
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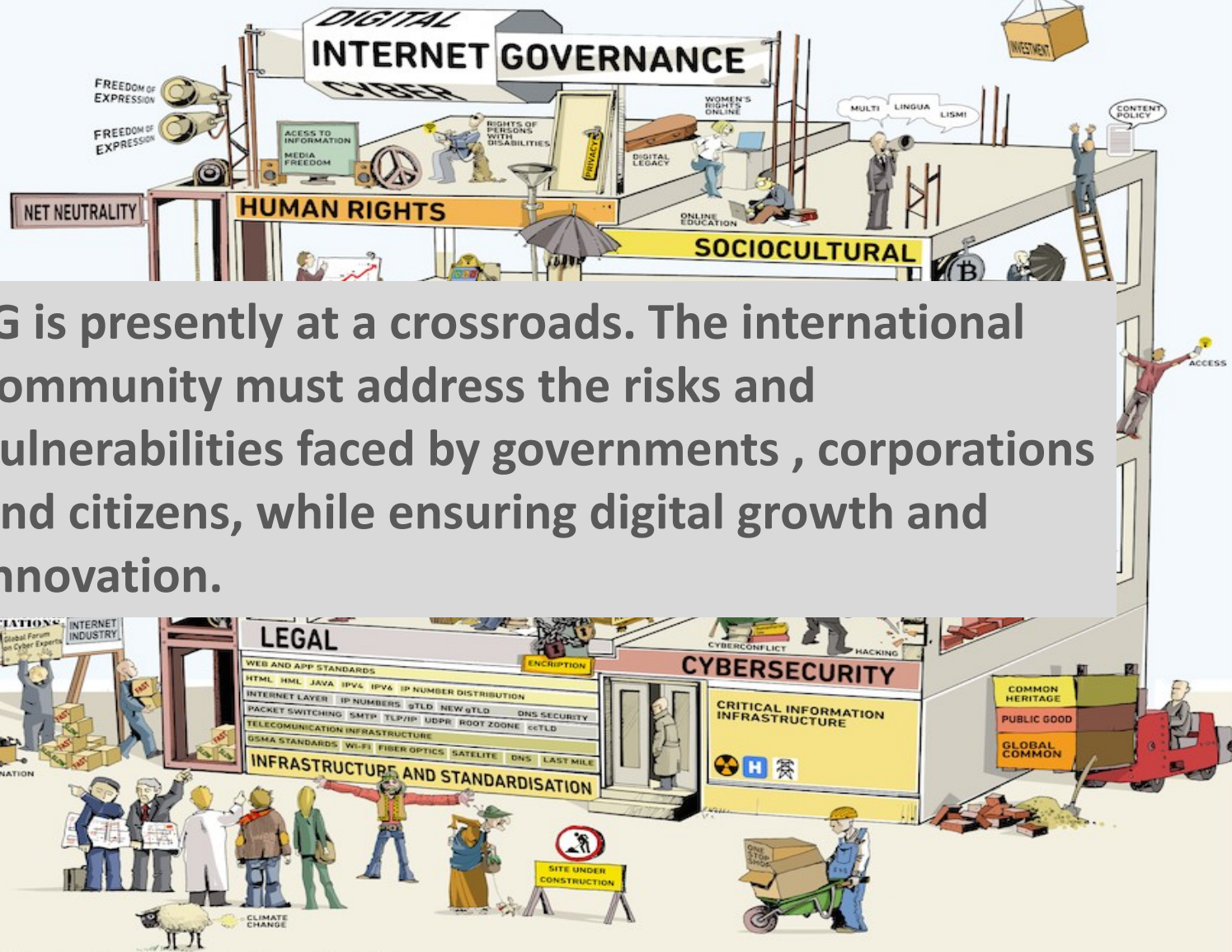
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DIGITAL INTERNET GOVERNANCE



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IG is presently at a crossroads. The international community must address the risks and vulnerabilities faced by governments , corporations and citizens, while ensuring digital growth and innovation.

Geneva Message: Strengthening Internet Governance

1. Mapping Internet governance in a comprehensible and dynamic way
2. Bridging policy silos
3. Harvesting and harnessing IG complexity
4. Developing innovative legal approaches to the Internet
5. Strengthening genuine participation in IG processes
6. Ensuring holistic capacity development
7. Aiming for full transparency, accepting occasional translucency
8. Using subsidiarity effectively
9. Drafting IG policies in open consultations
10. Prioritise evidence and data collection

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a capacity
building centre
(online and in
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a centre for discussion

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About

The GIP serves permanent missions based in Geneva with tailored briefings on developments in Geneva IG politics. Special focus is on missions from small and developing countries, and even for countries, which - because of limited resources - have no permanent representations in the city. The support is tailored for the needs of these players, including individual consultations, including online meetings to maximise resource use.

GIP Digital Watch observatory

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The **GIP Digital Watch** observatory, developed in partnership with the Internet Society, follows developments in digital policy and Internet governance.

Visit the observatory to browse through explanatory texts, live updates, events, resources, research, data-mining analysis, and more.

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IG capacity building - contributions

General – Diplo ...

- assisted individuals and organisation in expanding their outreach in the global debates through contributions to the global IGF, WSIS, the IGC, and other global policy processes
- provided training and research in digital policy issues as one of the key players in the WSIS process
- worked in groups such as WGIG, IGC, IGF, MAG, and others
- trained more than 2000 professional from more than 16 countries

IG capacity building - contributions

Participation: Officials from developing countries now play a greater role in creating IG policy. Several members of the IGF's Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) are alumni of Diplo's IG programmes.

Innovative participation: Diplo assisted alumni members to initiate and run 'remote hubs' for participation at IGF meetings in Hyderabad (2008), Sharm el Sheikh (2009), Vilnius (2010), and Nairobi (2011), allowing many interested individuals and groups who could not travel due to cost or other reasons to contribute actively and influence the outcome of these meetings.

IG capacity building – lessons learned

We believe that good capacity development support

- goes far **beyond training**
- recognises the complexity of processes which it aims to influence and the need for multiple knowledges (topical, political, societal, traditional, etc.);
- provides practical and immersion opportunities to help participants bridge the gap between theory and practice; and
- requires a large component of **communication and follow-up** to foster the emergence of vibrant and self-sufficient networks.

IG capacity building – lessons learned

Therefore, our long-term programmes combine:

- practice-oriented **learning activities** adapted to the context;
- collaborative **policy research and immersion**;
- facilitation and support for **communities of practice**;
- **support for partner and beneficiary initiatives**, projects and interventions; and
- **inclusion of programme participants** as partners and co-designers in future capacity development.

IG capacity building – lessons learned

Diplo's capacity development has the following specific features:

- **context-sensitive implementation** (adjusted to specific national, organisational, and professional needs);
- **multiple levels of delivery**, from individual to organisation, network and system;
- **support for international processes** and preparations for important international summits and conferences;
- **promotion of sector-wide coherence** by involving various government departments and professionals; and
- **a multistakeholder approach** involving governments, civil society, business, academia, and other actors.

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