Internet Governance Panel

Public Policy Questions for Internet Governance

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Today's Global Communications Sector

- **Industry Deregulation**
  - Competitive suppliers operating in an open market
  - Reserve national regulatory powers to ensure open market behaviour and fairness outcomes consistent with national objectives
- **Private Sector activities**
  - Market dynamics of providers and consumers
  - Moderation of the market through competitive supply disciplines
  - Demand determines supply
  - Few international regulatory levers
- **Public Sector activities**
  - Balancing of national interests in a common framework
  - International Agencies
  - Inter-Governmental Treaties
  - Coordinated Regulatory Recommendations

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The Big Policy Question

- Do the institutions and roles that already populate this public inter-governmental space collectively form the best vehicle to support this international public policy setting role going forward?

or

- Is there sufficient momentum and interest to consider fundamental changes to this model that more accurately reflect the evolving roles and aspirations of both the public and private sectors?

or

- Should we stop looking for instant answers and continue to work within a framework of many players with intersecting interests for some time yet?

On the Road To Tunis …

- What are the spectrum of expectations related to the outcomes from WSIS?
- What expectations represent achievable outcomes?
- What is the most appropriate way to balance local or national requirements and expectations against conflicting expectations and broader common constraints?
- What is "fairness" and "balance" in this context?
- What are the risks and opportunities when considering changes to the current structure?

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