Seoul Conference on Cyberspace 2013

ICT4Peace Special Session: Norms and CBMs - Moving towards a More Inclusive Agenda

Statement by Daniel Stauffacher, President, ICT4Peace Foundation to the Plenary of the Conference

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentleman,

A number of important interested stakeholders from industry, technical community, civil society, academia and government met to discuss recent progress in the development of cyber norms and confidence building measures.

We agreed that norms and CBM processes need to be underpinned by the principles of shared responsibility, responsible behaviour, inclusion, collaboration and transparency.

We welcomed the fact that UN GGE Report (A/68/98) recognised the importance of drawing on civil society and industry expertise and agreed that industry, civil society and academia should work together to establish a platform to pull together and amplify their views.

We agreed on the importance of ensuring that this process draws on a wide range of geographic perspectives, especially those regions that have been less engaged in the debate to date.

We called on all governments to take advantage of the insights that industry, civil society and academia can provide in order to improve their own policy-making processes.

We noted that ICT4Peace will provide an initial focal point for establishing how this initiative can be developed into a scalable and sustainable process.

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