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Intellectuals in IGF

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The four panellists for this IGF workshop, Athens, 2 Nov 2006

(in order of appearance)

BILL GRAHAM

Bill Graham is Director, International Telecommunications Policy and Coordination in the federal government department, Industry Canada. Bill has been with the Telecommunications Policy Branch since 1999. He is responsible for coordinating Canadian participation in multilateral organizations including the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), APEC Telecommunications and Information Working Group, the Inter-American Telecommunications Commission (CITEL), participation in ICANN GAC, and for Canadian bilateral relations on telecommunications policy issues. Bill was Canadian co-chair in charge of Canada's participation in the UN World Summit on the Information Society. He has been appointed a member of the Advisory Group to the UN Secretary General on convening the Internet Governance Forum.

Bill joined the Canadian government in 1988, and has held a number of management positions in program evaluation, strategic planning, promotion of community networking and of internet use and adoption in Canada, as well as international business development, all in the spectrum, information and communications technology sector. Following two years experience as Director, Government Relations, for Teleglobe, Inc., he rejoined Industry Canada to manage Canada's term as Chair of the APEC Telecommunications Working Group. He holds a Masters of Public Administration and a Bachelor's degree in Pacific and Oriental Studies from the University of Victoria, British Colombia.

PENG HWA ANG

A lawyer by training, Professor Ang was a member of the Working Group on Internet Governance. His teaching and research interests include internet law and policy, censorship, and social impact of media.

His most recent book, *Ordering Chaos: Regulating the Internet* (Thomson, 2005), argues that the internet can be, is being and should be regulated. His articles have appeared in the International Journal of Public Opinion Research, New Media and Society, Cyberpsychology and Behaviour, as well as trade publications such as the Asian Wall Street Journal, and the Singapore Straits Times.

In 2000, he was awarded a Fulbright fellowship and held a visiting position at Harvard University's Harvard Information Infrastructure Project at the Kennedy School of Government. In 2001, he was a visiting fellow at the Programme in Comparative Media Law and Policy, Oxford University.

He is interviewed regularly by the Singapore media and has also appeared in articles in the Christian Science Monitor, USA Today, and the Economist magazine's Marketplace.

Ang currently holds the chairmanship of the Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC). He also serves on the Board of Governors of the Mudra Institute of Communication, Ahmedabad.

He has served or serves on the editorial boards of Asian Journal of Communication, New Media and Society, Global Media and Communication and the Journal of Interactive Advertising and Journalism Studies.

In Singapore, he is president of the Fulbright Association (Singapore), vice-president of the Consumers Association of Singapore (CASE) and legal advisor to the Advertising Standards Authority of Singapore (ASAS).

His doctorate is from Michigan State University, 1993.

JUNG UCK SEO

Professor Seo currently is a Chair Professor of Sunchon National University, Chairman of the Korea Foundation for International Cooperation in Science & Technology, and of the e-Trade Facilitation Committee of the Korea International Trade Association. He is a former Minister of the Ministry of Science and Technology in South Korea. He is the Massey University Foundation fellow. He is a life Fellow of the IEEE and a Fellow of the IET, a member of the National Academy of Engineering of Korea, of the International Board of Texas A&M University and of the Research Advisory Board of the University of Texas at Dallas. Professor Seo has a BS (Seoul National University), a PhD (Texas A&M University), and an Honorary Doctor of Economics (Pukyong National University).

Past positions:
- Minister and Vice-Minister of the Ministry of Science and Technology, Republic of Korea.
- President of the Agency for Defence Development, of the Korea Institute of Science & Technology, and of the Institute of Electronics Engineering of Korea.
- Senior Executive Vice-President of Korea Telecom.
- President and Vice-Chairman of SK Telecom.
- Chairman of the Commission for Radio Communications Development, the Commission for IMT-2000 Development, and the Korea Accreditation Board.
- Member of the IEEE Board of Directors (Region 10 Director for 2003-2004).
- Professor at the Republic of Korea Air Force Academy, Seoul National University, Korea University and Chung-Ang University.

RIK PANGANIBAN

Rik Panganiban is coordinator, "Necessary Knowledge for a Democratic Public Sphere" Program, Social Science Research Council in New York. In this capacity, Rik provides funding and support for new kinds of collaboration between academics and activists working on media and communications policy. He has more than 12 years of experience in international NGO organizing, working with various campaigns related to human rights, peace and security, development and UN reform issues. In 2005, Rik coordinated system-wide NGO consultations on the UN Millennium Development Goals. From 2003-2005 he was a principal organizer of NGOs at the UN World Summit on the Information Society. In 2004 he authored a book on information technology and international politics entitled *e-Democracy and the United Nations* (CURE, 2004). Rik maintains a blog on technology and public policy entitled "The Click Heard Round the World."

Rik lives in New York City with a cat, three Macs and 5 mbps downstream and 384 kbps upstream.