Re: USAID International Digital Democracy Initiative

lmeils@usaid.gov Lorri Anne Meils Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 2:12:51 PM Eastern Daylight Time
To: [redacted]@fb.com Amy Singh
Cc: [redacted]@fb.com Flavia Alves, [redacted]@fb.com Payton Iheme

Hi Everyone,

Thanks so much for your response. We are very keen to get your thoughts on the proposed global initiative we've been brainstorming about, loosely based on the NSCAI's International Digital Democracy Initiative.

Wednesday at 11AM PT (2PM EST) works well for our side. Many thanks in advance!

Best,
Lorri

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On Thu, Aug 19, 2021 at 1:54 PM Amy Singh <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:

> Hi Lorri! Hope you are well
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> I have listed Miranda's availability for next week, please let me know if either of these would be suitable times for you as well:
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> [30 mins, all in PT]
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> Tues 24th: 10:30am
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> Wed 25th: 11am, 12pm
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> Kindly Regards,
>
> **Amy Singh** | Administrative Specialist
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> Hours: 8:30am – 5:30pm CST

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From: Miranda Sissons <[redacted]@fb.com>
Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 1:47 PM
To: Flavia Alves <[redacted]@fb.com>, Amy Singh <[redacted]@fb.com>
Cc: Payton Iheme <[redacted]@fb.com>
Subject: Re: USAID International Digital Democracy Initiative

Yes! @Amy Singh let's make sure Flavia is there – and Payton too if she's interested. M

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From: Flavia Alves <[redacted]@fb.com>
Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 10:31 AM
To: Miranda Sissons <[redacted]@fb.com>
Cc: Amy Singh <[redacted]@fb.com>, Payton Iheme <[redacted]@fb.com>
Subject: Re: USAID International Digital Democracy Initiative

Miranda, it would be great if I can be added to the meeting. as we think through our strategy for the Summit for Democracies, this call will be valuable.

Amy let me know if you find a time that works for Miranda and I can move my schedule around to make it happen too.

Payton, let us know if you want to be on it too.

From: Miranda Sissons <[redacted]@fb.com>
Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 1:07 PM
To: "Popken, Betsy (Colleen)" <[redacted]@orrick.com>, Lorri Anne Meils <lmeils@usaid.gov>, Amy Singh <[redacted]@fb.com>, Zvika Krieger <[redacted]@fb.com>, Ben Olsen <[redacted]@fb.com>, Payton Iheme <[redacted]@fb.com>, Flavia Alves <[redacted]@fb.com>
Subject: Re: USAID International Digital Democracy Initiative

HI Betsy – thank you so much, and I apologize I missed your earlier email!

Lorri – yes, of course, happy to be in touch and to talk. I'm adding @Amy Singh to help schedule something for early next week. (I'm in PDT timzeone, BTW).

@Zvika Krieger and @Ben Olsen, I'll move you to Bcc. @Payton Iheme and @Flavia Alves for vis.

Best, Miranda

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From: Popken, Betsy (Colleen) <[redacted]@orrick.com>
Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 9:46 AM
To: Miranda Sissons <[redacted]@fb.com>
Cc: Lorri Anne Meils <lmeils@usaid.gov>
Subject: RE: USAID International Digital Democracy Initiative

Hi Miranda,

We just finished a call with another big tech company on the International Digital Democracy Initiative and it was very fruitful. I wanted to follow up with you on this because I think it's important that you and Facebook have a seat at the table. Please feel free to invite any colleagues you think should also be in the meeting (I have separately reached out to Zvika Krieger and Ben Olsen from your Responsible Innovation team).

All the best,

Betsy

From: Popken, Betsy (Colleen)
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 10:50 AM
To: 'Miranda Sissons' <[redacted]@fb.com>
Cc: 'Lorri Anne Meils' <lmeils@usaid.gov>
Subject: USAID International Digital Democracy Initiative

Hi Miranda,

I hope this email finds you well; it was good to see you at the Women's Tech & Human Rights happy hour last week. I'd like to introduce you to Lorri Meils, Authoritarianism Advisor at USAID, who is coordinating an International Digital Democracy Initiative across U.S. agencies in preparation for the Democracy Summit with heads of state in December.

Lorri and her colleagues are seeking input from expert practitioners—like you—on a vision for international coordination of regulatory frameworks and digital infrastructure investments that align with democratic and human rights values, on AI but also across the full digital ecosystem.

Their budget meeting is August 30, so Lorri and her colleagues would welcome a call with you before then. I will also plan to join the call if I am able. Please let us know if you have any questions.

All the best,
Betsy

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