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**BRICS Digital Conclave**  
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The Observer Research Foundation in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs organised the BRICS Digital Conclave on April 28-29 2016, in New Delhi. Thirty experts from BRICS countries, representing government, civil society, the private sector and academia participated in the event.

The Conclave brought together stakeholders to generate discussion on four themes related to Internet policies: *Institutional Cooperation in Cyberspace, Access and Inclusion, Internet and Pluralistic Governance and the Digital Economy.*

The Conclave sought to explore ways in which technology could be used to promote socio-economic inclusion for the “next billion” internet users. Participants emphasised the importance of securing the rights of internet users while respecting data sovereignty.

The BRICS Digital Conclave was convened to create a roadmap for digital diplomacy among the BRICS economies.

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