The Multistakeholder Preparatory Process for the WSIS+10 High Level Event

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WSIS+10 HIGH-LEVEL EVENT
Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt
13-17 April 2014
The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Outcome Documents and the UN General Assembly Resolution 60/252 resolved to conduct an overall review of the implementation of the Summit outcomes in 2015.

The modalities for the Overall Review are expected to be developed in the 68th Session of the UN General Assembly.

Following the guidance of its Membership (PP-10 Resolution 172 and ITU Council Resolution 1334 (Mod. 2013), ITU has initiated the preparatory process leading towards the WSIS+10 High-Level Event to be held in April 2014.
The WSIS+10 High-Level Event will be an extended version of the WSIS Forum to:

- address the progress made in the implementation of the WSIS outcomes related to the WSIS Action Lines under mandates of the participating agencies
- provide a platform for multi-stakeholder coordination of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes, with involvement and participation of all WSIS action line facilitators, other UN agencies and all WSIS stakeholders.
Objectives

• The WSIS+10 High-Level Event will review the WSIS Outcomes (2003 and 2005), in particular, related to the Action Lines with a view to developing proposals on a new vision beyond 2015, potentially also exploring new targets.

The meeting will be organized taking into account decisions of the 68th Session of the UN General Assembly (negotiations on modalities started on 23 October 20013)
WSIS+10 High-Level Event: Expected Outcomes

1) WSIS+10 Statement on Implementation of WSIS Outcomes

2) WSIS+10 Vision for WSIS Beyond 2015 under mandates of the participating agencies
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- Open and inclusive, multistakeholder consultation process in six phases with engagement of all UN Agencies mandated to facilitate implementation of the WSIS Outcomes
- Three physical meetings with remote participation
- Ongoing online consultations based on formal submissions and online discussions
- Background and input documents for reference
### WSIS+10: Preparatory Process

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Background Documents

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WSIS+10 Visioning Challenge

WSIS Forum 2013 Outcome Document

2012 & 2013 Identifying Emerging Trends and a vision beyond 2015

WSIS+10 Event: Towards Knowledge Societies for Peace and Sustainable Development: Final Statement

Measuring the Information Society Report 2013 (official launch on 7 October 2013)
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Call for Action: Regional Level

- **Series of Regional Development Forums (RDF) held back to back with six WTDC-14 Regional Preparatory Meetings** provide a platform for collecting regional views on implementation of the WSIS outcomes and WSIS+10.
  - Submitted Reports: Asia-Pacific, Africa, Americas, CIS, Arab States and Europe

- **Regional activities, relevant to the WSIS+10 process**
  - ECLAC: IV Ministerial Conference (April 2013, Uruguay)
  - UNECA: Workshop on WSIS process (February, Ethiopia)
  - ESCWA/ECA: WSIS+10 Regional Meetings for Arab States (November, Tunisia)
  - ECA: WSIS+10 Regional Meeting for Africa (November, Tunisia)
  - Tunisia: ICT4All Forum and Exhibition (November, Tunisia)
  - Others
Calls for Action
Towards the Second Meeting

All WSIS Stakeholders
- Written inputs/official submissions
- Participation in all physical meetings and regional forums
- WSIS Stocktaking reporting
- WSIS Project Prizes

Member States
- 10 Years Country Reports
- WSIS Targets Survey
- UN General Assembly
- WSIS and MDG/SDG

WSIS AL Facilitators
- 10 Years Action Line Reports
Principles for the inputs to the first draft of Statement, Vision

- Focus on the WSIS Action Lines and measurement of their implementation.
- Develop a vision upon existing framework of Action Lines, identifying emerging trends, challenges and priorities for new decade, without making existing framework of Action Lines obsolete.
- Geneva Declaration and Geneva Plan of Action still remain valid until further decisions by General Assembly.
- Restrict the proposals on Action Lines, under the responsibility of the respective UN Agencies, to the Geneva Plan of Action.
- Avoid proposals referring to the outcomes of the Tunis phase of WSIS on the following, implementation mechanism, follow up, internet governance (other than internet issues relevant to action lines), IGF, enhanced cooperation, CSTD.
- Avoid prejudging the outcomes of the 68th Session of the General Assembly on modalities of the Overall Review.
- Respect mandates given by Tunis Agenda and respect for the multi-stakeholder principles.
WSIS+10 Statement

Agreement on the structure of the Statement, consisting of three parts as follows:

A) Preamble

B) Overview of the implementation of Action Lines

C) Challenges-during implementation of action lines and new challenges that have emerged
WSIS+10 Vision of WSIS Beyond 2015

Agreement on structure of the Vision of WSIS Beyond 2015 consisting of five following sections:

A) Preamble
B) Priority areas
C) Action Lines
D) Other issues not covered by Action Lines above [, if any]
E) [Accountability and] Measurement of the WSIS Action Lines beyond 2015, targets and Indicators for an open and inclusive information/knowledge society for all beyond 2015
UN Focal Points, based on the inputs received so far tasked to prepare the Consolidated Texts for all WSIS Action Lines

- Introductory vision statement (max 100 words)
- Forward looking pillars in the form of sentences (max 10)
- Proposal of Targets linked to AL
- Inputs from stakeholders grouped by content/relevancy
## A. PREAMBLE

Preamble

## B. OVERVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTION LINES

Overview of the Implementation of Action Lines

## C. CHALLENGES

Challenges during implementation of action lines and new challenges that have emerged

## INPUTS

*Inputs extracted from the Submissions received during the Open Consultation Process for the Draft WSIS+10 Statement on the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes*

## A. PREMABLE

Preamble

## B. PRIORITY AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WSIS BEYOND 2015.

Priority areas to be addressed in the implementation of WSIS Beyond 2015.

## C. ACTION LINES

- **C1.** The role of public governance authorities and all stakeholders in the promotion of ICTs for development
- **C2.** Information and communication infrastructure
- **C3.** Access to information and knowledge
- **C4.** Capacity building
- **C5.** Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs
- **C6.** Enabling environment
- **C7.** ICT applications: benefits in all aspects of life
  - E-government
  - E-business
  - E-learning
  - E-health
  - E-employment
  - E-environment
  - E-agriculture
  - E-science
- **C8.** Cultural diversity and identity, linguistic diversity and local content
- **C9.** Media
- **C10.** Ethical dimensions of the Information Society
- **C11.** International and regional cooperation

## D. OTHER ISSUES

Other issues not covered by Action Lines above [if any]

## E. [Accountability and] Measurement

[Accountability and] Measurement of the WSIS Action Lines beyond 2015, targets and indicators for an open and inclusive information/knowledge society for all beyond 2015
Towards Second Physical Meeting

Deadline for Consolidated Texts on ALs by UN Focal Points: Published on 25 October 2013

Deadline for publishing the document for second meeting: Published on 29 November 2013

25 OCT 17 NOV 29 NOV 16-18 DEC 2013

Deadline for all submissions and comments on all documents: 17 November 2013 (non-extendable)

Second Meeting of the Open Consultation on the WSIS+10 High Level Event: 16-18 December 2013
## World Summit on the Information Society

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Second Physical Meeting: 16-18 DEC 2013

• Chair and Vice-Chairs:
  Russia, Egypt, Switzerland, Saudi Arabia
• Participation: Onsite and Remote
• Objectives
  – Take note on outcomes of UNGA on modalities
  – Consider 10 year country reports
  – Consider 10 year Action Line reports
  – Consider Targets for Action Lines
  – Review consolidated texts with comments

• Expected Outcome: FIRST DRAFTS of OUTCOME DOCUMENTS
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10 Year’s Country Reports


• Objective of Country Reports
  • Self-evaluation of 10 year achievements
  • Reference in the WSIS+10 Statement
  • Background Document at Country Workshops at the WSIS+10 High-Level Event
  • Integral part of the WSIS Stocktaking Process

• Deadlines
  – a draft version of the report to the First Physical Preparatory Meeting of the WSIS+10 High–Level Event (7-8 October 2013);
    • Received submissions from: Rwanda, Belarus and Poland
  – a final version of the report to the Second Physical Meeting of the WSIS+10 High–Level Event

• Deadline: 14 December 2013
Towards Accountability

Consensus on set of targets to ensure accountability of the WSIS process beyond 2015

Towards Final Assessment

- A metadata questionnaire: *Measuring the WSIS Targets - A statistical framework* publication.
- A full data collection of the actual data for each of the WSIS Target indicators is being conducted.
- *Final quantitative Assessment Report on the Achievements of the WSIS Targets*, to be

*Measuring the Information Society Report 2013 (official launch on 7 October 2013)*
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Call for Action: Quantitative Assessment

- The ITUs ICT Data and Statistics Division continues to play a leading facilitation role in the Partnership on the Measuring the ICTs for Development.

- A metadata questionnaire was coordinated by the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development, and was sent in October 2012 to countries by the Regional Commissions. This questionnaire aims at collecting information on data availability for the WSIS Target indicators as outlined in the *Measuring the WSIS Targets - A statistical framework publication*.

- A full data collection of the actual data for each of the WSIS Target indicators is being conducted.

- The data collected in 2013 will be used to prepare the *final quantitative Assessment Report on the Achievements of the WSIS Targets*, to be launched on the occasion of the WSIS+10 High-Level Event in 2014 (http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/intlcoop/partnership/followup.asp)
C2. Information and communication infrastructure

Access to broadband telecommunication networks, and the gaps

a) By 2020, XX % of households should have Internet access (World, developing countries)

b) By 2020, Internet user penetration should reach YY% (World, developing countries)
C5. Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs

a) Overall Cybersecurity readiness in all countries should be improved by 40% by 2020 – with specific focus on developing countries, including least developed countries, small island developing states, landlocked developing countries and countries with economies in transition.
C6. Enabling environment

a) **Empower government agencies to mitigate the challenges of the Information Society.**
By 2020, all countries should empower the government agency(ies) in charge of ICT regulation to adopt and effectively enforce relevant regulations.

b) **Make broadband policy universal.**
By 2020, all countries should have a national broadband plan or strategy or include broadband in their Universal Access/Service Definitions.

c) **Boost the competitiveness of broadband markets.**
By 2020, all countries should have effective competition in the main broadband market segments (mobile, DSL, cable modem, fixed wireless, leased lines, Internet services, international gateways and Voice over IP (VoIP)).
The outcome document of the 2010 MDG Summit requested the Secretary-General to initiate thinking on the global development agenda beyond 2015. The outcome document of the 2012 Rio+20 Conference on Sustainable Development initiated an inclusive process to develop a set of sustainable development goals. There is broad agreement that the two processes should be closely linked and should ultimately converge in one global development agenda beyond 2015 with sustainable development at its core.

**Work Streams**

- Open Working Group
- The UN System Task Team on the Post-2015 UN Development Agenda
- A High-level Panel of Eminent Persons
- Eleven global thematic consultations and national consultations in over 60 countries facilitated by the United Nations Development Group.
- Sustainable Development Solutions Network
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Link between WSIS and Post 2015 Development Agenda

• Taking into account ongoing dialogue on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (MDG Review Process) and WSIS+10 review process it is important to note the possible interaction between both processes to ensure that efforts across the UN System are coherent, connected and coordinated to achieve maximum, sustainable impact.

• ICTs are key enablers of development, and are critical components of innovative development solutions.

• The recent joint statement of the UN Group on the Information Society on the Post 2015 Development Agenda draws attention to the above and is available at www.ungis.org.
• **WSIS Stocktaking: Regional Reports**
  - The propose of regional reports is to serve as the information document for ITU-D Regional Development Forums (RDF) and Regional Preparatory Meeting in order to provide the examples of activities related to the implementation of WSIS outcomes in the region and to enrich discussions related to the overall review on the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and upcoming WSIS+10 High Level Event.

  - The sixth edition of the WSIS Stocktaking Report is the continuation of the WSIS Stocktaking Report series and will be prepared for WSIS+10 High-Level Event and Forum 2014.
  - The WSIS Stocktaking Report 2014 will also be shared with ITU-D study Groups in the elaboration of Output Reports and will be submitted as the contribution to the 17th session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD).
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WSIS Project Prizes 2014: www.wsis.org/prizes

• WSIS Project Prizes is a unique recognition for excellence in the implementation of WSIS outcomes.

• The WSIS Project Prizes 2014 contest (www.wsis.org/prizes2014) provides a platform to identify and showcase success stories and models that could be easily replicated; empower communities at the local level; give a chance to all stakeholders working on WSIS to participate in the contest, and particularly recognize the efforts of stakeholders for their added value to the society and commitment towards achieving WSIS goals.

Launch on 5th September 2013 / Deadline Extended: 15 December 2013
ITUs Contribution to the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (2013 Annual Report)

Provides yearly updates on the tasks carried out by the ITU at the operational and policy level, covering all assigned mandates with reference to the WSIS Process, in particular:

- In its capacity as leading facilitator in coordinating the multi-stakeholder implementation of the Geneva Plan of Action. (para 109 of TAIS) and primary organizer and host of the annual event in May, i.e. the WSIS Forum
- Facilitator of Action Lines C2 (Information and communication infrastructure) and C5 (Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs); as well as C6 (Enabling Environment)
- Co-facilitator of Action Lines C1, C3, C4, C7, and C11
- Partner in Action Lines C8 and C9
- Rotating Chair and Vice Chair of the United Nations Group on Information Society (UNGIS) (Para 103 of TAIS)
- Lead of Partnership on the Measuring the ICT for Development (Para 114 of TAIS)
- Facilitator of the WSIS Stocktaking Process (Para 120 of TAIS)
- Organizer of World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (Para 121 of TAIS)
- Lead of the Connect the World Initiative (Para 98 of TAIS)
- Others
Thank you for your attention!

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