



CSTD Working Group on Enhanced Cooperation 3rd Meeting

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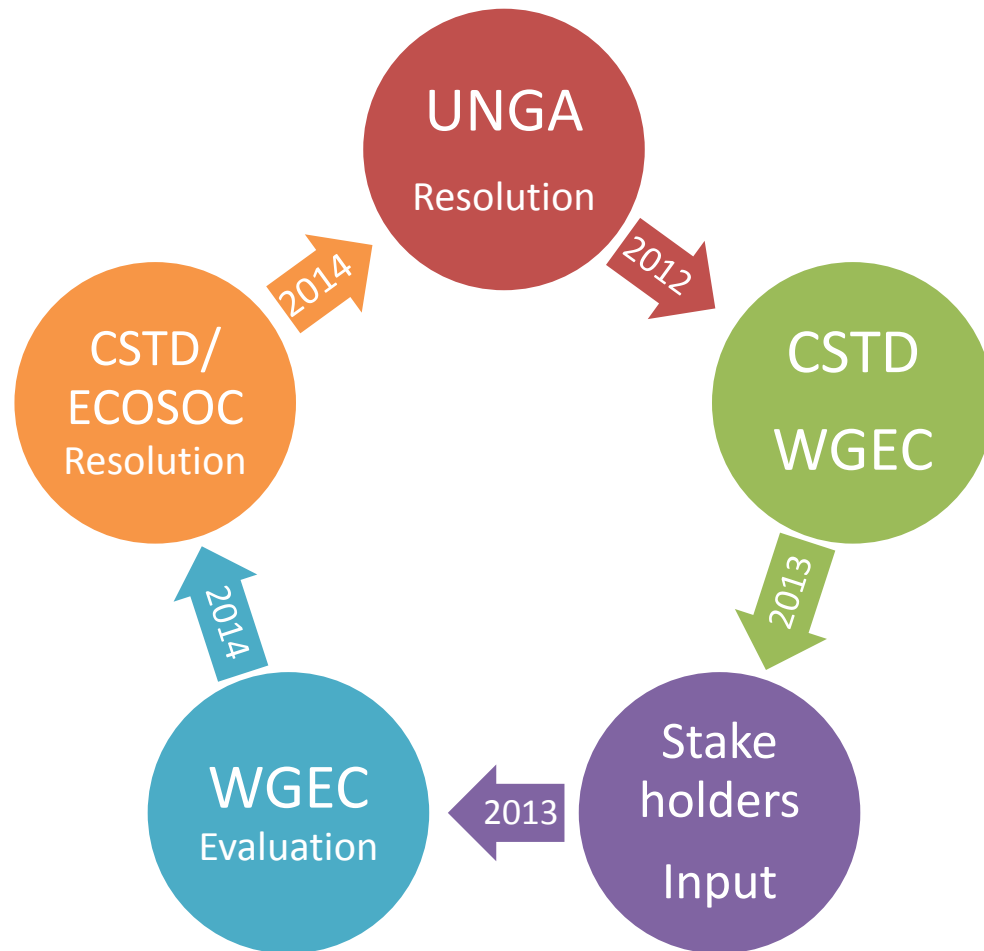
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Mandate: UNGA Resolution A/Res/67/195 (2012)

- “invites the Chair of CSTD to establish a working group on enhanced cooperation to examine the mandate of WSIS regarding EC, through seeking, compiling and reviewing inputs from all Member States and all other stakeholders, and to make recommendations on how to fully implement this mandate;”
- report to CSTD in 2014
- Mandate reiterated in UNGA Resolution A/RES/68/198 (2013)



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WGEC Working Modalities

- Compliance with the mandate
- Multi-stakeholder approach/mutual trust
- Results based on consensus
- Observers - ECOSOC rules apply - agreement from WG
- Constraints (time, resources, venue, etc.)
- Information sharing with stakeholders



WGEC Schedule

- Physical meetings in Geneva:
- 1st meeting: 30 May (P.M)-31 May 2013
- 2nd meeting: 6-8 November 2013
- 3rd meeting 24-28 February 2014
- WGEC report & recommendations:
beginning of March 2014
- Presentation of report & recommendations to
17th session of CSTD



WGEC 1st Meeting

- Excellent collaboration of participants
- Decision on procedural issues
- 2 breakout groups – led by Brazil and India identified categories – suggested questions
- Plenary - finalized questionnaire based on results of breakout groups
- Decided on next steps



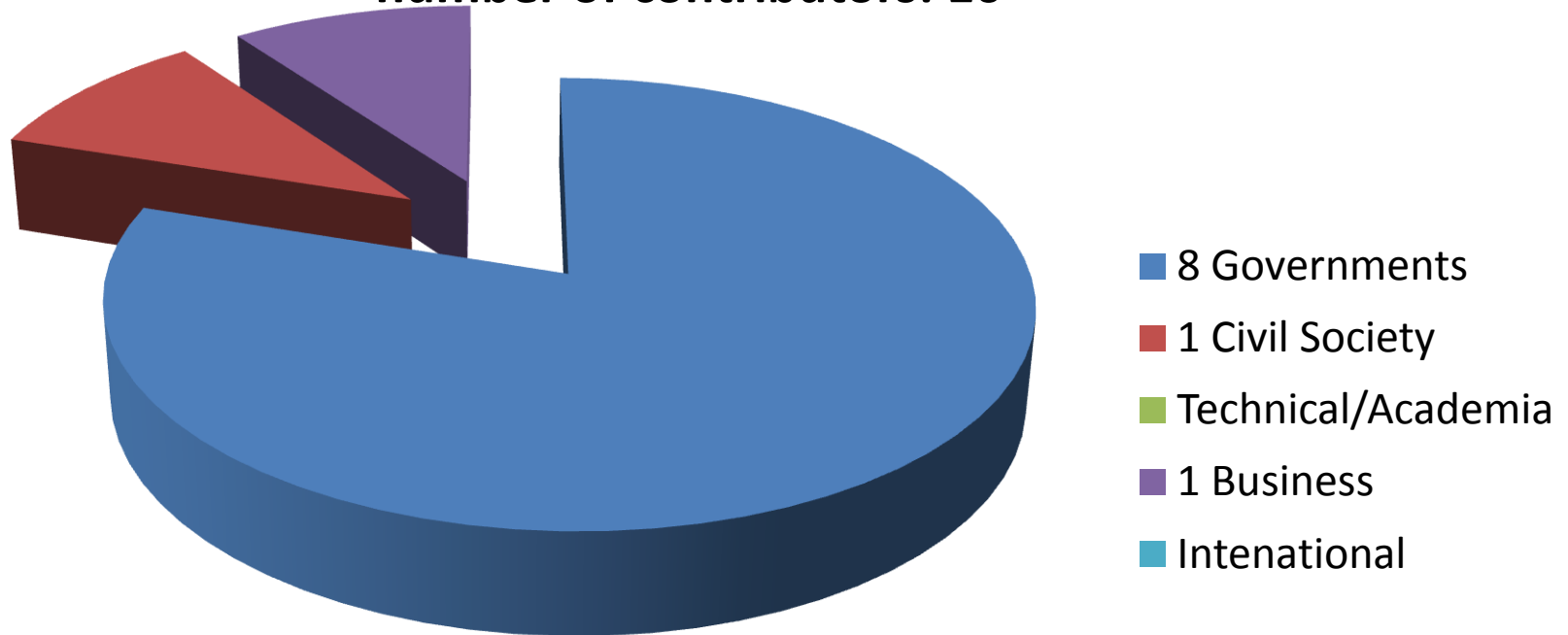
WGEC 2nd Meeting

- Logistics
 - audio recording /streaming
 - captioning and transcripts
- Discussion of responses to questionnaire
- Responses grouped into 5 groups
- Submission of draft recommendations
- Proposal for the structure of report
- Correspondence Group - mapping of existing mechanisms to international fora
- Excellent collaboration of participants



Contributions to 3rd WGEC Meeting

**Draft Recommendations:
number of contributors: 10**





Input from the CG to WGEC 3rd Meeting

- Correspondence Group on “Public policy issues and possible mechanisms”
- Worked according to Terms of Reference
- Acknowledge the excellent work
- Results
 - report from the Chair of CG
 - compilation of the contributions



Further contributions

- deadline extended for draft recommendations
- submissions after deadline
- reflected in the updated rolling document
- information about other events

WSIS+10 MPP (preparation in ITU)

IGF (preparation for 9th IGF in Istanbul)

NetMundial (Brazil event)



WGEC 3rd Meeting: Resources

- Draft recommendations - contributions from WGEC members
- Proposals for structure of the report
- Correspondence Group
 - report from the Chair of CG
 - compilation of the contributions
- WGEC web page:
<http://unctad.org/en/pages/MeetingDetails.aspx?meetingid=425>



WGEC 3rd Meeting: Organization

- Agree on agenda and time management
- Discussion of Topics A, B, C, D and E in plenary (2 break-out groups - results in plenary)
 - objective - proposals for recommendations
N.B: more time for Topic B
 - proposals for the structure of report
- Reflect results of discussions in rolling document
- Drafting - to finalize recommendations
- Consolidate report



Expected results and how to achieve them

Recommendations

- Concentrate on substantive discussions
- Create a set of recommendations

Report

- factual description of the meetings
- suggestion: chair's report
- allows more time for discussions

Find

- points of agreement

In case of no agreement on some issues

- difference of views reflected in an annex to the report



Suggested time management

- Morning 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
 - observers' segment 11.15 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
 - coffee break 11.30 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.
- Lunch break 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
- Afternoon 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
 - observers' segment 4.15 p.m. - 4.30 a.m.
 - coffee break 4.30 p.m. - 4.45 p.m.



Suggested working method

- Discussions in plenary (Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday morning)
- Two break-out drafting groups (Wednesday afternoon, Thursday & Friday morning) alternating with plenary)
- Finalizing list of accepted recommendation (Friday afternoon)
- Guidance of WGEC for the report



The role WGEC

We contribute to WSIS process recommending ways and means of cooperation

We know the importance and the complexity of the issues and our tasks

We seek points of agreement and compromise (in the unlikely case of difference of opinions)

We are motivated, ambitious and realistic



Thank you!

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