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and Technology for Development**

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21–25 May 2012

Provisional Organization of Work¹

Monday, 21 May

**10:00-
11:00** **Opening Ceremony**

- **Welcoming remarks by:** Mr. Fortunato de la Peña, Chair of the CSTD
- **Opening statement by:** Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- **Address by:** Dr. Hamadoun Touré, Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
- **Address by:** Prof. Dr. Richard Robert Ernst, Nobel Laureate, ETH Zurich
- **Address by:** Mr. Subramanian Ramadorai, Vice Chairman, Tata Consultancy Services, on behalf of ICC-BASIS
- **Address by:** Mr. Daniel Reed, Corporate Vice President, Technology Policy Group, Microsoft
- **Address by:** Ms. Marilia Maciel, on behalf of Civil Society

Item 1

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

**11:00-
13:00** **Item 2**

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels

Introduction of the report of the Secretary – General on WSIS Follow-up by: Mr. Mongi Hamdi, Head of the CSTD Secretariat

Ministerial round table on ■ **Moderator:** Dr. Hamadoun Touré, Secretary-

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“Review of progress made in the implementation of WSIS outcomes”

General of the ITU

■ **Confirmed Ministers from:** Angola, Guinea, Lesotho, Libya, Mauritius, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia

Introduction and general discussion

15:00-18:00

Item 3

Priority themes

Ministerial round table on “Beyond the Millennium Development Goals: Harnessing science and technology to address development challenges”

■ **Moderator:** Dr. Gretchen Kalonji, Assistant Director-General for Natural Sciences, UNESCO

■ **Confirmed Ministers from:** Angola, Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, El Salvador, Ghana, Latvia, Oman, Pakistan, Togo, Viet Nam

18:00

Cocktail reception at the Restaurant des Délégués (8th floor of the A-Building, Palais des Nations)

Tuesday, 22 May

10:00-12:00

Item 2

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels

Overall review of the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (WSIS + 10)

Speakers:

■ Dr. Hamadoun Touré, Secretary-General of the ITU

■ Mr. Janis Karklins, Assistant Director-General for Communication and Information, UNESCO

■ Mr. Ali Ghodbani, Chairman and CEO, Tunisie Telecom

■ Dr. David Souter, ict Development Associates

General discussion

12:00-13:00

Item 2

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the

<p><i>CSTD Working Group on improvements to the Internet Governance Forum</i></p>	<p>Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels</p> <p>Report of the CSTD Working Group on the improvements to the Internet Governance Forum by: Mr. Peter Major (Chair of the Working Group)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ms. Marilia Maciel, Project Leader and Researcher, Center for Technology and Society Fundação Getulio Vargas ■ Mr. Baher Esmat, Manager, Regional Relations Middle East, ICANN ■ Ms. Marilyn Cade, Principal and CEO, mCADE LLC ■ Ms. Anriette Esterhuysen, Executive Director, Association for Progressive Communications <p><i>General discussion</i></p>
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<p>15:00-16:00 <i>CSTD Working Group on improvements to the Internet Governance Forum</i></p>	<p>Report of the CSTD Working Group on the improvements to the Internet Governance Forum</p> <p><i>General discussion (continued)</i></p>
<p>16:00-18:00 <i>Open consultation on enhanced cooperation on public policy issues related to the Internet</i></p>	<p>Briefing on the open consultation on enhanced cooperation on public policy issues related to the Internet by: Mr. Fortunato de la Peña, Chair of the CSTD</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ms. Emily Taylor, Internet Governance Consultant ■ Mr. Parminder Singh, Executive Director, IT for Change ■ Ms. Theresa Swinehart, Director, Global Internet Policy, Verizon Communications <p><i>General discussion</i></p>

Wednesday, 23 May

10:00-
13:00

Item 3

*Extending Rural Access-
Universal Service and
Rural Build Out – Version
2.0
(Panel on Broadband)*

Priority themes

Introductory statement by: Mr. Andrew Reynolds,
Senior Advisor, Space and Advanced Technologies,
U.S. Department of State

Moderator: Mr. Darrell Owen, USAID's Global
Broadband and Innovations (GBI) Program

Speakers:

- Mr. Kofi Attor, CEO Ghana Investment Fund for
Electronic Communication
- Mr. Parvez Iftikhar, Former CEO, Universal
Service Fund Company
- Mr. Guillermo Cruz, Former CEO, COMPARTEL
- Mr. David Townsend, Universal Service
Consultant

15:00-
18:00

Item 3

*(a) Innovation, research,
technology transfer for
mutual advantage,
entrepreneurship and
collaborative
development in the
Information Society*

*(b) Open access, virtual
science libraries,
geospatial analysis and
other complementary
information and
communications
technology and science,
technology, engineering*

Priority themes

**Introduction of the reports of the Secretary-
general on the priority themes:** Mr. Mongi Hamdi,
Head of the CSTD Secretariat

Statements by:

- Dr. Rolf-Dieter Heuer, Director-General of CERN
- Dr. Shirley Malcom, Head of the Directorate of
Education and Human Resources, American
Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

Presentations by:

- Dr. Dominique Foray, Full Professor, Chair in
Economics and Management of Innovation, École
Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)
- Mr. Adel Torjmen, Vice-President, Tunisian
Association for Communication and Technology
(TACT)

Presentations by:

- Dr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director of the Division for
Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special
Programmes, UNCTAD
- Mr. Espen Volden, Group on Earth Observation
(GEO) Secretariat
- Mr. Emanuele Gennai, ESRI Geneva

and mathematics assets to address development issues, with particular attention to education.

General discussion

Thursday, 24 May

**10:00-
13:00**

Item 4

STIP reviews

Presentation of reports on science, technology and innovation policy (STIP) reviews

Introductory Statement by: Ms. Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD

Presentation of the STIPs reviews by: Mr. Ángel González Sanz, OiC, Policy Review Section, Technology and ICT Branch, UNCTAD

Statements by:

- H.E. Ambassador Mr. Miguel Palomino de la Gala, Director for Science and Technology, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Peru
- Mr. Mario Roger Hernández, Vice Minister of Economy, El Salvador

Closing remarks by: Mr. Mongi Hamdi, Head of the CSTD Secretariat

**15:00-
18:00**

Informal consultations on draft proposals, including on the priority themes of the 16th session of the CSTD, and the key issues to be addressed in the post-2015 global development agenda

Friday, 25 May

**10:00 -
13:00**

Informal consultations on draft proposals (as required)

Election of officers

Item 5 Election of the Chair and other officers for the sixteenth session of the Commission

Action on draft proposals **Item 6 Provisional agenda and documentation for the sixteenth session of the Commission**

Adoption of the draft provisional agenda

15:00-18:00 *Adoption of the report*

Item 7 Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifteenth session

Closure of the session