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CSTD 2017–2018 Inter-Sessional Panel on
“The role of science, technology and innovation to increase substantially the share of
renewable energy by 2030” and
“Building digital competencies to benefit from existing and emerging technologies, with
special focus on gender and youth dimensions”
Room XXI, Palais des Nations, Geneva
6-8 November 2017

Draft Provisional Programme

As of 2 November 2017

Day One (Monday, 6 November 2017)

Morning session

10:00 - 10:20

- Welcoming remarks by Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the CSTD Secretariat, UNCTAD
- Introductory remarks by H.E. Mr. Plácido F. Gómez Ramírez, Viceminister for Science and Technology, Dominican Republic and Chair Designated of the CSTD
- Opening remarks by Ms. Isabelle Durant, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

Theme 1: The role of science, technology and innovation to increase substantially the share of renewable energy by 2030

Moderator: H.E. Mr. Plácido F. Gómez Ramírez, Chair Designated of the CSTD

10:20 - 10:35

- Introduction of the Issues Paper by Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne Director, Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the CSTD Secretariat, UNCTAD

10:35 - 13:00

- Presentation by Mr. Jim Watson, Professor of Energy Policy at SPRU - Science Policy Research Unit, The Sussex Energy Group and Director of the UK Energy Research Centre
- Presentation by Mr. Kohei Uosaki, Professor, Fellow of National Institute for Materials Science and Professor Emeritus of Hokkaido University
- Presentation by Mr. Rubén D. Cruz, Chief Innovation Officer, CIDET, Colombia
- Presentation by Ms. Olasimbo Sojinrin, Nigeria Country Manager of Solar Sisters
- *Questions for panellists and interactive discussion*

13:00 - 15:00

Lunch break

Afternoon session

Presentation of country cases	
Moderator: Mr. Angel Gonzalez-Sanz, Chief of Science, Technology and ICT Branch	
15:00 - 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations by member states and other stakeholders <p>Confirmed speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jan Dusik, Director, Europe Office, UN Environment • Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary of the UNECE Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, Sustainable Energy Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe <p>Confirmed countries: Mexico, Pakistan</p>
16:00 - 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group discussion on the Issues Paper on "The role of science, technology and innovation to increase substantially the share of renewable energy by 2030", and recommendations for the Report of the Secretary-General and the twenty-first session of the CSTD

Day Two (Tuesday, 7 November 2017)	
Morning session	
Theme 2: Building digital competencies to benefit from existing and emerging technologies, with special focus on gender and youth dimensions	
Moderator: Mr. A Min Tjoa, CSTD Vice-Chair	
10:00- 10:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of the Issues Paper by the CSTD secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:15 - 13:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Ms. Xiaolan Fu, Founding Director of the Technology and Management Centre for Development (TMCD) and Professor of Technology and International Development, University of Oxford • Presentation by Ms. Marcia Varela, Deputy Director for Transfer of technologies, Division on Technological Capabilities, National Development Agency-CORFO, Chile • Presentation by Mr. Manpreet S. Manna, Director, Administration & Swayam, All India Council for Technical Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development, India • Presentation by Ms. Valentina Dagiene, Professor, Vilnius University Institute of Mathematics and Informatics • <i>Questions for panellists and interactive discussion</i>
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch break
Afternoon session:	
Presentations of country cases	
Moderator: Mr. Angel Gonzalez-Sanz, Chief, Science, Technology and ICT Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD	
15:00 - 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations by member states and other stakeholders <p>Confirmed speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. David Atchoarena, Director, Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems (ED/PLS), Education Sector, UNESCO <p>Confirmed countries: Cuba, Portugal, Poland</p>
16:00 - 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group discussion on the Issues Paper on "Building digital competencies

to benefit from existing and emerging technologies, with special focus on gender and youth dimensions", and recommendations for the Report of the Secretary-General and the twenty-first session of the CSTD

Day 3 (Wednesday, 8 November 2017)

Morning session

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to WSIS outcomes at the regional and international levels

Moderator: Mr. Peter Major, CSTD Vice-Chair

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| 10:00 - 10:15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction by Mr. David Souter, Managing Director, ict Development Associates |
| 10:15- 12:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Ms. Scarlett Fondeur Gil, Economic Affairs Officer, ICT Policy Section, Science, Technology and ICT Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD • Presentation by Ms. Doreen Bogdan-Martin, Chief , ITU's Strategic Planning and Membership Department • Presentation by Ms. Helani Galpaya, Chief Executive Officer, LIRNEasia • <i>Questions for panellists and interactive discussion</i> |
| 12:00 - 13:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefing by Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne Director, Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the CSTD Secretariat, UNCTAD • Briefing by Mr. Chengetai Masango, Programme and Technology Manager, United Nations Secretariat for the Internet Governance Forum • <i>Questions for panellists and interactive discussion</i> |
| 13:00 - 15:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch break |

Afternoon session

Discussion on key themes and recommendations for CSTD 21st Session

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| 15:00 - 17:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remarks by H.E. Mr. Plácido F. Gómez Ramírez, Viceminister for Science and Technology, Dominican Republic and Chair Designated of the CSTD • Presentation by Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne Director, Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the CSTD Secretariat, UNCTAD • Questions and interactive discussion |
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