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CSTD 2014–2015 Inter-sessional Panel

Room XVIII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

26-28 November 2014

Programme Timetable

(Draft as at 25 November 2014)

Day One (Wednesday, 26 November 2014)

Morning session

10:00 - 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Welcome and opening statement by Dr. Omobola Johnson, Chair of the CSTD, including a brief overview of CSTD activities for 2014-2015 ○ Remarks by Ms. Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD and Head of the CSTD Secretariat ○ Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
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Theme 1 Panel: Strategic Foresight for the Post-2015 Development Agenda

Moderator: Dr. Omobola Johnson, Chair of the CSTD

Strategic technological foresight consists of studying and evaluating future trends (and “megatrends”) in global development, and especially new technologies, together with their potential social, environmental and economic impacts, to help policymakers and all stakeholders improve their related decisions. It involves the usage of horizon scanning methodologies to identify these trends and related scientific and technological issues. Following ECOSOC Resolution (E/RES/2014/28), the panel discussion will assist the CSTD in executing its responsibilities to articulate the important role of STI, engineering and ICTs in the transition from MDGs to SDGs in 2015 and beyond in the post-2015 development agenda by acting as a forum for horizon scanning and strategic planning, providing foresight about critical STI trends and calling attention to emerging and disruptive technologies that can potentially affect the achievement of that agenda over the next 5-15 years.

10:45 - 11:10	Introduction of the Issues Paper by Ms Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD and Head of the CSTD Secretariat
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11:10 - 12:30	<p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Ozcan Saritas, Research Professor, Higher School of Economics, National Research University - Moscow ○ Ms. Kristel Van der Elst, Senior Director, Head of Strategic Foresight at World Economic Forum ○ Mr. Carl Benedikt Frey, James Martin Fellow, Oxford Martin Programme on the Impacts of Future Technology ○ Mr. Abel Olajide Olorunnisola, Professor & Dean of the Postgraduate School, University of Ibadan, Nigeria
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12:30 - 13:00	Questions for Panelists, Discussion
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13:00 - 15:00	Lunch break and Bureau meeting
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Afternoon session: Strategic Foresight Café

Moderator: Chair/Vice Chair of CSTD

The purpose of the Foresight Café is to provide participants of the CSTD inter-sessional panel with the opportunity to discuss key questions related to Strategic Foresight in breakout groups. The discussions will take place under three themes. The chairs of these themes will rotate between the breakout groups to exchange ideas and share experiences. Participants will compare and reflect on the outcomes of the discussions in the plenary.

15:00 - 15:30	○ Intervention by delegates on Theme 1, Group picture
15:30 - 15:45	○ Presentation on the format of the Strategic Foresight Café by Mr. Vicente Carabias-Huetter, Lecturer of Technology Foresight at Institute of Sustainable Development, ZHAW Zurich University of Applied Sciences
Split into breakout groups for World Café	
15:45 - 17:45	Chairs of each theme will rotate at specified intervals. <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Theme 1: STI and ICT trends, implications for MDG/SDGs transition and post-2015 development agenda○ Theme 2: Foresight: Sharing of national experiences and methodologies○ Theme 3: Regional and international collaboration in foresight
17:45 - 18:00	Short break
18:00 - 19:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Presentation of thematic findings by the Chairs in the plenary○ Group discussion of findings and suggestions to be addressed at the eighteenth Session of the CSTD, to be held in Geneva in May 2015

Day Two (Thursday, 27 November 2014)

Morning session

Theme 2 Panel: Digital development

Moderator: *Dr. Omobola Johnson, Chair of the CSTD*

The digital development landscape has been witnessing profound changes since the beginning of the millennium. These changes call for a re-evaluation of how we perceive the interaction between ICT and development. ICT should no longer be seen as one tool among many that enables particular aspects of development, but as a human and physical infrastructure and platform that fosters development, empowers and leverages S&T, engineering and innovation. In this context, the panel will also discuss the role of emerging technologies such as whitespace, rural wifi, next generation nanosatellites, as well as the multipliers of big data, analytics, mobile applications and social networking in digital development.

10:00 - 10:15	Introduction of the Issues Paper by Ms Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, CSTD Secretariat
10:15 - 11:30	<p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prof. Dr. Richard Heeks, Director, Centre for Development Informatics, University of Manchester ○ Dr. Apurva N Mody, Chairman, Whitespace Alliance ○ Ms. Angela Oduor, Director of Community Engagement, Ushahidi Inc ○ Dr. David Souter, Managing Director, ict Development Associates and President, the Global Connectivity Group for Sustainable Development ○ Ms. Victoria Alonsoperez, Co-Chair Space Generation Advisory Council and co-Founder at IEETECH (video message)
11:30 - 13:00	○ Country case studies and discussion
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch break and Bureau meeting
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15:00-15:45	○ Country case studies and discussion (continued)
Mapping and gap analysis of international Internet public policy issues	
<i>Moderator: Chair/Vice Chair of CSTD</i>	
<p>In its resolution 2014/27 of 16 July 2014, ECOSOC notes the work initiated by the WGEC to <i>review</i> the identified public policy issues pertaining to the Internet, <i>list</i> where there are existing mechanisms addressing these issues, <i>identify</i> the status of mechanisms, if any, and whether they are addressing the issues, and <i>attempt to identify gaps</i> in order to ascertain what type of recommendations may be required. The Council further recommends that this work may be further continued by the secretariat of the Commission with a view to the submission of findings to the Commission at its intersessional meeting for further discussion and their integration into the 10-year review of the progress made in the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit.</p>	
15:45 - 16:00	Presentation by the CSTD Secretariat - Ms Mervi Kultamaa, WSIS Coordinator, CSTD Secretariat
16:00 - 16:30	<p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Peter Major, Chair of the WGEC ○ Mr. Phil Rushton, Co-convener of the WGEC Correspondence Group ○ Dr. Jovan Kurbalija, Director of the DiploFoundation
16:30 - 18:00	Discussion
18:15 - 20:00	Reception (Hosted by Nigeria), Restaurant des Délégués, 8 th Floor, Palais des Nations

Day Three (Friday, 28 November 2014)

Morning session

WSIS follow-up, including the ten-year review of the implementation and preparations for the 18th session of the Commission

Moderator: *Dr. Omobola Johnson, Chair of the CSTD*

The session will focus on the CSTD ten-year review of progress made in the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit as mandated by ECOSOC in its resolution 2014/27 of 16 July 2014. It will address the implementation of WSIS outcomes in light of the draft ten-year review report prepared by the CSTD secretariat. The session will also address the way forward in the preparation for the CSTD ten-year review of the implementation of WSIS outcomes. Following the mandate of ECOSOC, the results of this review will be submitted, after the 18th session of the Commission, through the Council, to the General Assembly.

10:00 - 10:30	Introduction by Ms. Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD and Head of the CSTD Secretariat
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This part of the session provides opportunity to discuss the implementation of the outcomes of the Geneva phase of WSIS and the respective chapters of the draft ten-year review report.

10:30 -10:45	<u>Panelist:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Mr. Adama Samassekou, President, Preparatory Committee of the Geneva phase of WSIS
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10:45 -11:45	Discussion
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This part of the session provides opportunity to discuss the implementation of the outcomes of the Tunis phase of WSIS and the respective chapters of the draft ten-year review report.

11:45 - 12:00	<u>Panelist:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Mr. Janis Karklins, President, Preparatory Committee of the Tunis phase of WSIS
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12:00 - 13:00	Discussion
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13:00 - 15:00	Lunch break and Bureau meeting
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Afternoon session

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WSIS follow-up, including the ten-year review of the implementation and preparations for the 18th session of the Commission	
15:00 - 16:00	Discussion of the way forward on the CSTD ten-year review of WSIS
16:00 - 16:15	Short break
16:15 - 17:30	Group discussion of findings and suggestions to be addressed at the eighteenth Session of the CSTD, to be held in Geneva in May 2015
17:30 -18:00	Closing remarks