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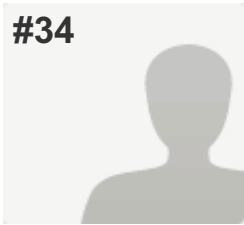## Contribution to the CSTD ten-year review of the implementation of WSIS outcomes

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Q6: Which stakeholder category do you belong to?	Technical or Academic Community

Q7: To what extent, in your experience, has the "people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society", envisaged in the opening paragraph of the WSIS Geneva Declaration of Principles, developed in the ten years since WSIS?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8: How far do you consider the implementation of specific WSIS outcomes to have been achieved?

As for IGF :
We think its purpose has been achieved to some meaningful extent.
Some of the meaningful achievements include :
(1) Various stakeholders cooperate with each other in carrying out the IGF, from agenda setting to discussion itself.
(2) IGF has become to deal with issues that widely and deeply matter to human activities, while in early days CIR management from political background was the big controversial issue.

Q9: How has the implementation of WSIS outcomes contributed towards the development of a "people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society"?

Respondent skipped this question

Q10: **What are the challenges to the implementation of WSIS outcomes? What are the challenges that have inhibited the emergence of a "people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society"?**

As for the level of stakeholders' participation in IGF :
Evolution of remote participation environment is very much appreciated in enhancing participation of those who have difficulties in joining the IGF activities physically in person.

Discussion in IGF are intensively conducted by various stakeholders. We think the language barrier, however, still hinders some participants to join at full.

Involving participants other than UN official language speakers is important especially when we think about the people who are to become Internet users in the days to come. While we need to maximize the balance among cost, speed, and level of participation, we should try to seek and implement the ways to enhance the level of participation of all stakeholders who speak various languages.

Q11: How are these challenges being addressed? What approaches have proved to be effective in your experience?	*Respondent skipped this question*
Q12: What do you consider the most important emerging trends in technology and other aspects of ICTs which have affected implementation of WSIS outcomes since the Summit? What has been their impact?	*Respondent skipped this question*
Q13: What should be the priorities for stakeholders seeking to achieve WSIS outcomes and progress towards the Information Society, taking into account emerging trends?	*Respondent skipped this question*
Q14: What role should information and communications play in the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda?	*Respondent skipped this question*

Q15: **Please add any other comments that you wish to make on the subject of the review that you believe would be helpful.**

The expansion of IGF activities, from global to regional and national arena, is a favorable trend. However we have to be careful not to regard regional IGF's and national IGF's as subordinate body of global IGF. Each region or country has their own structure of organizations and activities, which reflects its unique characteristics and circumstances.
We should respect "one size doesn't fit all" in that sense.

For example, in Japan, we recognize at least two fora that deal with Internet Governance per se. They are called "IGCJ (Internet Governance Conference Japan)" and IGF-Japan, both of which have their characteristic value. They have different approaches of gathering participants, setting topics, and possibly the purpose of the forum.

Therefore, we should not use the term "regional IGF or national IGF" when we refer to local activities. Instead, we should use the term "regional or national organization/forum to discuss Internet Governance".

Q16: We would also welcome any documents, reports, etc. that you can forward which you think will provide useful evidence for the review. Please send these to cstd-wsis10@unctad.org. It would be helpful if you could list these in this box, together with any URL which enables access to them on the World Wide Web.

Respondent skipped this question