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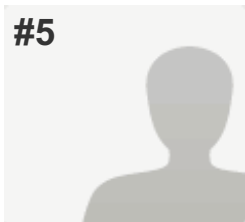
**Contribution to the CSTD ten-year review of the implementation of WSIS
outcomes**

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Q6: Which stakeholder category do you belong to?

Government

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?

The World Summit of Information Society Geneva Declaration Principles could give all people the ability to create, access utilize and share information and knowlegde using ICTs

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

The WSIS implimentation outcomes is being achieved as evident in the increasing success of fostering the use of ICTs to improve peoples' lives and to bridge digital divide.

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

The WSIS implimentation is contributing to:

- i. Development of knowlegde societies,
- ii. Enhanced freedom of expression,
- iii. Quality education for all, and
- iv. Universal and non-discriminatory access to information and knowlegde

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"?

The Challenges include:

- i. Lack of affordable access to ICTs, information and knowledge to many people, particularly in the rural communities and less developed countries.
- ii. Low level cooperation between the developed and developing countries in the area of technology utilization which could facilitate the transition of the poor countries to digital economy and ensure poverty reduction.

Q11: How are these challenges being addressed? What approaches have proved to be effective in your experience?

The challenges are being addressed in a way through the implementation of MDGs, particularly the declaration of universal basic education for all, and poverty reduction. Others include the provision of adequate infrastructure such as electricity and encouraging North-South and South-South cooperation to enhance technology utilization and trainings.

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?

What is probably the most important emerging trend is the greater awareness on the need for collaboration among governments, all relevant stakeholders in ensuring confidence, security privacy, and personal data protection and trust in the use of ICTs.

Q13: What should be the priorities for stakeholders seeking to achieve WSIS outcomes and progress towards the Information Society, taking into account emerging trends?

There is the need for international and regional cooperation and capacity building to ensure information security in the use of ICTs

Q14: What role should information and communications play in the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda?

Information and Communication should play the role of facilitator and development enabler in the implementation of post 2015 development agenda.

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

There is the need for more emphasis on infrastructure development; access to quality education with particular attention in developing countries so that the vision of people centered, inclusive and development oriented global information society could be achieved.

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.

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