

Decision

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Participation of non-governmental organizations and civil society entities not accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society in the work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development regarding the discussion about the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit

At its 44th plenary meeting, on 26 July 2011, the Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006:

(a) Requested the secretariat of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development to propose to the Economic and Social Council lists of non-governmental organizations and civil society entities not accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society that had expressed the wish to participate in the work of the Commission for consideration and approval by the Council in a timely manner, to enable such organizations and entities to participate until 2015, on an exceptional basis, in the work of the Commission in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Council;

(b) Decided that, while using the multi-stakeholder approach effectively, the intergovernmental nature of the Commission should be preserved;

(c) Also decided that every effort should be made by the Commission, in collaboration with relevant United Nations bodies and other interested parties, to mobilize and ensure the meaningful and effective participation, including by providing assistance on a voluntary basis, of all stakeholders from developing countries, including non-governmental organizations, small and medium-sized enterprises, industry associations and development actors.