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Accreditation of non-governmental organizations and private sector entities to the World Summit on the Information Society

1 UN General Assembly resolution A/RES/56/183 encouraged effective contributions and the active participation of all relevant UN bodies, in particular the ICT Task Force, and encouraged other intergovernmental organizations, including international and regional institutions, non-governmental organizations, civil society and the private sector to contribute to, and actively participate in, the intergovernmental preparatory process of the Summit and the Summit itself.

2 It is envisaged that the general arrangements for accreditation and participation in the preparatory process and the Summit of relevant non-governmental organizations and business sector entities will be decided at PrepCom-1 in Geneva 1-5 July 2002.

3 In order to make participation of private sector entities and civil society organizations nevertheless possible at PrepCom-1, the Secretary-General of ITU, in his capacity as Head of the High-Level Summit Organizing Committee (HLSOC), after consultation with the Geneva-based permanent missions, opened up the Accreditation process on a provisional basis. It is understood that the applications of private sector organizations/business entities and civil society organizations will be subject to review and approval by the World Summit Preparatory Committee, based on a decision regarding the Arrangements for Accreditation and Participation, to be decided by the Preparatory Committee.

5 It is further understood that the rights of participation by private sector organizations/business entities and civil society organizations will be determined by the Rules of Procedure that will be decided by the Preparatory Committee.

6 The Executive Secretariat has received and evaluated applications received by 14 June 2002, the deadline by which applications had to be submitted in order to be reviewed at PrepCom-1. A list of non-governmental organizations and private sector entities recommended by the Secretariat for accreditation in this first round is contained in Annex 1 and Annex 2. There are no organizations having sought accreditation, which are not recommended by the Executive Secretariat at this stage.

7 Based on the assumption that the Preparatory Committee, in its decision regarding Arrangements for Accreditation and Participation, will decide that non-governmental organizations being currently in consultative status with ECOSOC as a non-governmental organization may directly register for the preparatory process and the WSIS, without having to apply for accreditation, the attached list Annex 1 does not contain non-governmental organizations currently in consultative statuses with ECOSOC.

8 As the information society is a relatively new phenomenon, several non-governmental organizations were founded during the year 2000 and 2001. They have nevertheless accumulated experience in this field or had previous experience without having legal status. The Executive Secretariat has therefore decided to include in the attached lists organizations and entities which do not fulfil the standard criteria of 2 years of legal existence. It will be up to the Preparatory Committee to decide if the standard criteria for accreditation may be lowered for the preparatory process and the WSIS.

ANNEX 1

Category 1: Non-governmental organizations

Argentina

Fundación Era Digital

<http://www.eradigital.org>

established in 2001

Expertise: Dissemination of ICT use within Latin American society.

Experience: Coordination of the "Book on Telemedicine in the Americas" for CITEC/OAS and ITU
Participation in the Regional Network for Latin America and the Caribbean, the third Working Group of the UN ICT Task Force and the Centres of Excellence Programme for activities relating to the information society.
Collaboration with the Universities of Rosario, Buenos Aires and Tucuman in the development of their ICT programmes.

Contribution: Participation through the provision of information, particularly in relation to ICT-based health projects.

Australia

COIN Internet Academy

under construction

established in 2001

Expertise: Creation of services and products for Community Internet - Research and projects in collaboration with universities.

Experience: Creation of several Community Internet Projects in rural and urban areas - Training in and research about local ICTs applications - Creation of an Exchange Network for expert.

Contribution: Share collaborative methodologies between universities and local community developmental projects - Mobilize Australian and other NGOs active in Community Internet.

Bangladesh

Community Development Library

www.cdlbangladesh.org

established in 1980

Expertise: Developing Knowledge and Capacity of the NGO and the Civil Society through information and knowledge sharing through resource centres in rural and urban areas, training and ...

Experience: Services provided to more than 600 000 people through 28 resource centres: Rural and Urban Information Resource Centre, Libraries, documentation and Information Centre, Audio Visual Program, Research and Publication, training and internship.

Contribution: Knowledge Sharing on large scale projects in Rural and Urban areas in Asia.

Belgium

CIAD - Coalition Internationale des Associations pour les Droits humains de le Développement

www.multimania.com/coalitionciad

established in 2000

Expertise: Creation of international networks of development associations, particularly for refugees - Symposia.

Experience: Information and awareness-building on development issues, operation of a network of international development associations.

Contribution: Exchange of experience on decentralized cooperation practices and ICTs - Mobilization and provision of information to grass-roots associations in countries of the South - Exchange of experience on use of ICTs in assisting refugees.

Belgium

Prospective Internationale

<http://3-1416.org>

established in 1996

Expertise: Website in the field of sustainable development and culture.

Experience: Design and organization of artistic events, participation in sustainable development networks throughout the world.

Contribution: Exchange of experience and observations on the uses of ICTs for development, particularly in countries of the North.

Belgium

Res-e-Net asbl

www.esnet.be

established in 2001

Expertise: Creation of NGO networks in the field of the participative information economy, user platform for civil society.

Experience: Creation and coordination of Belgian and European NGOs specializing in ICTs and the participative economy, financed by the Belgian Ministry of Social Economy.

Contribution: Mobilization of European NGOs that use ICTs - Proposal of viable economic models for the not-for-profit Internet.

- Benin **ORIDEV - NGO**
www.oridev.org
established in 1998 **Expertise:** Publications and research in the field of ICTs for development - Awareness-building through provision of information to the general public - Technical and social training.
- Experience:** Creation of public Internet access facilities - Creation and distribution of publications to the general public - Symposia and other events - Internet training for young people and the general public.
- Contribution:** Exchange of experience on social uses of ICTs in West Africa. Ability to mobilize associations involved in the Internet at the regional level.
- Benin/DRC **CAFEC - Centre Africain d'Exchange Culturel**
established in 1980 **Expertise:** Training.
- Experience:** Training in and access to ICTs with a view to integrated development.
- Contribution:** Exchange of experience on the use of ICTs for development and training.
- Brazil **CERTI Foundation - Fundação Centros de Referencia em Tecnologias Inovadora**
www.certi.org.br
established in 1984 **Expertise:** Foundation operating in academic circles. Research and development on electronic prototypes and products focusing on the human being and improving the quality of life in the countries of the South.
- Experience:** Development of an electronic ballot box tested during the 1998 and 2000 elections in Brazil. Internet/extranet development for federal governments and public institutions. Development of applications in the field of education and large-scale public training.
- Contribution:** Unique experience in the development of products specifically geared to the countries of the South, with a highly inclusive vision of ICTs. Example of local collaboration between public authorities, academic circles and civil society in the area of technological and social innovations.

- Brazil **Rede de Informações para o Terceiro Setor**
<http://www.rits.org.br>
established in 1997 **Expertise:** Creation of networks for exchanges among not-for-profit organizations in Brazil: provision of technology and creation of content.
Experience: Creation of an Internet portal, coordination of a network of associations for the creation of socially useful content.
Contribution: An important player in the implementation of programmes relating to the information society in Brazil, mobilization capacity for the creation of content in Latin America.
- Burkina Faso **Association SONGTAAB-TALGRE**
<http://www.rits.org.br>
established in 1998 **Expertise:** Gender issues, entrepreneurship and education.
Experience: Training, information and communication for women in the fields of health and family planning, small business operation and trade.
Contribution: Sharing of experience in the use of ICTs for rural and urban populations, with a gender perspective.
- Burkina Faso **ISOC - Burkina Faso**
www.zcp.bf/isoc.bf
established in 2000 **Expertise:** Exchange of information between professionals and users - Organization of training events and seminars.
Experience: As the national branch of the Internet Society, supports activities relating to development of the Internet at the national level and establishes contacts between national professionals and technicians and scientists at the international level.
Contribution: Proposals aimed at improving connectivity at the national level, with a particular focus on issues relating to free softwares.
- Burkina Faso **Yam Pukri**
<http://www.yam-pukri.org>
established in 1997 **Expertise:** Research - Information - Awareness-building - Creation of Internet access for young and disadvantaged people.
Experience: Creation of numerous access centres in urban and semi-urban areas and schools - Training - Various events, informing the general public about the advantages of ICTs.

Contribution: Exchange of experience and analyses on strategies for the creation of access facilities in disadvantaged areas. Sharing of the results of research on the social uses of ICTs and their contribution to development.

Cameroon

Anais - AC

<http://Anais-ac.net>

established in 2000

Expertise: Publications and research in the field of ICTs for development - Awareness-building, provision of information to the general public in Central Africa.

Experience: Creation of public Internet access facilities - Creation and distribution of publications to the general public.

Contribution: Exchange of experience on the social uses of ICTs in Central Africa. Ability to mobilize associations involved in the field of the Internet at the regional level.

Cameroon

AGRO-PME

<http://www.chez.com/afriquentrepandre>

established in 1987

Expertise: Research and development on the use of ICTs for development in the food sector in Africa.

Experience: Establishment of specialized information systems for those involved in the food industry (small farmers, small businesses, students, researchers, administration).

Contribution: One of the best African specialists in the use of ICTs for the food industry, an essential element in the fight against poverty.

Cameroon

Association Arc-En-Ciel

<http://www.efrance.fr/arcenciel>

established in 1999

Expertise: Local training, management of development projects, documentation service.

Experience: Leading activities in disadvantaged districts, training of micro-entrepreneurs, community officials and associative movements, management of a public documentation service.

Contribution: Sharing of local experience in the use of information technologies in various development fields.

- Cameroon **CACSCIT - Cameroon Association for Computer Science & Information Technology**
established in 1996 *Expertise:* Technical training and job searches - Assistance for the disabled - Creation of collective access facilities.
Experience: Training for young people in search of employment and for disabled people through collective access centres.
Contribution: Exchange of experience on the creation of access facilities in the South.
- Canada **WFCN - World Forum on Community Networking**
<http://globalcn2002.ca>
established in 2001 *Expertise:* Community movement which implements ICTs for community projects.
Experience: Creation of partnerships between local groups, private enterprises and community networks for the establishment of "smart communities", telecentres, support for local initiatives and the organization of international meetings for the exchange of views and experience.
Contribution: Proposed agenda for local communities and the creation of community Internet uses. Capacity for mobilizing national, international and specialized scientific organizations on multimedia issues.
- Canada **Nile Basin Society**
<http://nilebasin.com/>
established in 2001 *Expertise:* Collection and pooling of environmental information, dissemination of information at the global and local levels on environmental issues.
Experience: Accumulation of information on the Nile Basin, creation of discussion forums and dissemination of information in local languages in some ten countries.
Contribution: Proposed technological and methodological solutions aimed at facilitating access to information in disadvantaged areas on development issues.
- Canada **TakingITGlobal**
<http://www.takingitglobal.org>
established in 2000 *Expertise:* Management of a global online community of young people. - Development of advanced knowledge network software - Coordination of youth media and theme-based networks - Maintenance of "shared resource database" of information including news, organizations, events, projects and other ...

Experience: Creation of community-focused TIG software engine - Creation of TakingITGlobal.org online community now with thousands of members in 150 countries. - Participation in Young PRESS youth media collaboration project around the Special Session on Children. - Launch of TIG country teams in more than 30 countries. - Development of ICTs and Digital Opportunities Youth Network connecting young people active in ICTs for development issues in partnership with International Institute for Sustainable Development and Global Knowledge Partnership. - Coordinating web-components of Youth Employment Summit and Global Youth.

Contribution: Role of young people in the information society, and their input into the Summit. TakingITGlobal is led by young people who have been technology leaders already, in both corporate and non-profit worlds. The Junior Summit movement (www.jrsummit.net) provides a framework for young people's engagement in the issues of the Summit.

Canada

Telecommunities Canada

www.tc.ca

established in 1995

Expertise: Promotion of community-based communications and electronic information services.

Experience: Support local community network initiatives in Canada. Development of Open Source community portal and Network.

Contribution: Mobilize and represent Canadian community networking movement. Share experience on an International level on community development and social change.

Canada

Vancouver Community Network

www.vcn.bc.ca

established in 1993

Expertise: Training, technical support and creation of local multicultural content for the provision of electronic media to the inhabitants of Vancouver.

Experience: Creation of Internet access facilities, coordination and networking of 400 NGOs as part of the implementation of a national strategy.

Contribution: Sharing of experience in the implementation of community access facilities within a town, in the context of public-private-civil society partnership.

Spain **EMA RTV - Asociación de Emisoras Municipales de Andalucía de Radio y Televisión**

www.emartv.com

established in 1984

Expertise: Support for and development of community communication and education projects in Spain and Latin America.

Experience: Research and development in the area of community communication projects, involving in particular radio, television transmission and electronic networks. Cooperation with States, local communities and local organizations.

Contribution: Sharing of experiences and vision on the importance of local communication and education projects for development and democracy. Example of successful cooperation between local authorities, national authorities and grass-roots communities.

Spain **Fundación Directa**

www.fundaciondirecta.net

established in 1995

Expertise: Training and accompaniment of female entrepreneurs with a view to the better use of ICTs.

Experience: Telebalance and e-equality programmes, online services for the promotion of gender equality. Distance training. Organization of seminars.

Contribution: Inputs on the "knowledge society and women's knowledge", in the interests of equality in the use of ICTs in the occupational sphere.

France **Cités Unies France**

www.cites-unies-france.org

established in 1975

Expertise: Coordination of local French communities around decentralized cooperation projects.

Experience: Established in 1975, Fédération Citiés Unies France is currently implementing projects in over 20 countries throughout the world.

Contribution: Mobilization of local authorities around the implementation of financing programmes and mechanisms for the information society in local communities and for decentralized cooperation.

France **CSDPTT - Coopération Solidarité Développement aux PTT**

<http://www.globenet.org/csdptt>

established in 1988

Expertise: Installation of community telephones in rural areas - Support for local associations in the popularization and assimilation of ICTs - Training (telephony, Internet, information technology,...).

Experience: Training for operators in Africa - Installation of community telephones in rural areas.

Contribution: Exchanges of experience and proposals for types of activities aimed at ensuring the provision of telecommunication services in the countries of the South.

France

I3C - Internet créatif, coopératif et citoyen

www.i3c.asso.org

established in 2001

Expertise: Networking of community Internet actors and professionals.

Experience: Creation of projects and joint gatherings. Exchanges of expertise. Publications.

Contribution: Exchange of experience and expertise on ICT uses to promote citizenship in Europe. Focus on activities carried out by European cities in the field of the Internet.

France

IRIS - Imaginons un réseau Internet solidaire

www.iris.sgdg.org

established in 1997

Expertise: Research network on civil liberties on the Internet.

Experience: Publication of numerous reports and studies for public authorities and as food for discussion at the national and the international levels. Mailing list and document base on ICT law and access issues.

Contribution: Provision of research findings and guidance on issues relating to liberties, the protection of private life and public services via the new media.

France

VECAM

www.vecam.org

established in 1996

Expertise: Studies and research on community Internet uses, particularly by local authorities - Participation in collective discussions.

Experience: Representative of French civil society in the context of DOT Force-Organization of numerous forums and international gatherings - Studies and publications, creation of the *Villes Internet* label.

Contribution: Sharing of guidance and research findings on the challenges facing society in respect of these technologies. Focus on social, cultural and democratic initiatives which make use of them.

Germany **Catholic Media Council**

<http://www.cameco.org>

established in 1969

Expertise: Promotion and assistance to community media networks at the national and the international level.

Experience: More than 600 global projects namely in the domain of Community Radio Stations and Journalists. Training, technical support and seminars.

Contribution: Ability to mobilize members of Community Media Networks - Knowledge of media legislation and strategic orientations for the development of community media networks in the World.

Germany **EED - Church Development Service**

<http://www.eed.de>

established in 2000

Expertise: Professional advice to churches, Christian organizations and institutions - Raise the awareness of the church, the general public and politicians to improve the political and economic conditions affecting human development.

Experience: Financial support of worldwide and regional initiatives (NGOs) working toward the democratisation of communication, increased diversity in the media and just means of access to media and information technology.

Contribution: Sharing of information on financing ITCs for Development in the world.

Germany **Transparency International**

<http://www.transparency.org>

established in 1993

Expertise: Advocacy, awareness, research and establishment of monitoring economic and political Systems concerning governance.

Experience: With 86 national chapters, the organization has substantial experience in research, monitoring systems and collecting information regarding the questions of corruption.

Contribution: Proposals concerning governance, the creation of monitoring systems involving governments, private sector and civil society. Tremendous capacity to mobilize public opinion.

Greece

Citizens' Union PAREMVASSI

<http://www.paremvassi.gr>

established in 1995

Expertise: Promotion of Civil Society within the framework of the E.U. - Use of the Internet for the development of a new form of democracy: electronic democracy.

Experience: Development and operation of Internet site containing discussion area on various subjects including "the effect of the Information Society on the average citizen".

Contribution: Sharing of knowledge and network concerning the European Information Society and Democracy.

India

C2N - Community communication Networks, SEWAA

<http://www.sewaa.org>

established in 1994

Expertise: Education and awareness on questions relating to community internet and development Networking, Advocacy and ...

Experience: Participation in several international forums, namely the Global Community Newtork and publication of the results at the local level - Creation of information websites on community NGOs.

Contribution: Mobilization and transmission of the results of the Summit at the national level.

Ireland

Community Media Network

www.cmn.ie

established in 1993

Expertise: Community development and empowerment using video and other audio visual media as a resource and tool - Training - Audio-visual productions - publications.

Experience: Training in community media, including video, internet, radio and photography - Several major projects on media production - Production of programmes for television - Publication of several books, reports and manuals on community media.

Contribution: Proposals to promote links between Internet and Community Media Systems (radio, press, TV) in Europe.

- Ireland **NEXUS Research**
www.iol.ie/nexus
established in 1990 **Expertise:** Studies and research in Social Sciences on Media and Communication.
Experience: Numerous Studies concerning all continents.
Contribution: Knowledge about the United Nations system and on the Communication issues for Civil Society - Strategic orientations on the participation of Civil Society in the preparatory process of the Summit.
- Japan **BHN Association**
<http://www.bhn.or.jp>
established in 1992 **Expertise:** Humanitarian aid - telecommunication.
Experience: Provision of humanitarian aid to developing countries all over the world and to help promote the general welfare of the global community, utilizing resources and experience in the field of telecommunications.
Contribution: Share information about humanitarian aid and telecommunication.
- Japan **GLOCOM - Center for Global Communications**
established in **Expertise:** Scientific institute specialized on ICTs. Technical and social research.
Experience: Research focuses on the social, economic and cultural impacts of new communications technologies. GLOCOM is the Japanese NPO representative to the G8 "DOT Force" and works extensively on ICT and development issues. The centre also studies energy, security, and environmental issues in the Asia-Pacific region, develops public policy tools and software applications, and is creating a new regime for intellectual property rights in the digital era. Development of open source software for developing nations, specifically groupware to enable SMEs to track buying processes, and open source policy development tools for government.
Contribution: Share the experience with DOT Force, help with regional consultations and bring lessons learned from that process to ...

Kenya

AFRICOM - International Council of African Museums

<http://www.african-museums.or.ke>

established in 2000

Expertise: Sharing and exchange among museums and museum professionals in Africa.

Experience: With more than 53 members from 27 countries, AFRICOM operates over the entire African continent:

- Development of a Directory of Museum Professionals in Africa, to be available in hadrcopy, CD-ROM and on the Internet.
- Development of NICT capacity on the continent through installation of dedicated leased line and provision of web hosting for African museums and heritage bodies.
- Promotion of NICTs in museums and heritage bodies.

Contribution: Wide distribution and recognition of the results of the Summit to its members - Knowledge about the culture/heritage sector in ...

Luxembourg

ISOC - Luxembourg

<http://www.isoc.lu>

established in 2000

Expertis: Awareness-raising and education on ICTs.

Experience: National activities to raise awareness on ICTs.

Contribution: Spread the issues of the Summit on the national level.

Mali

AIJF-Mali - Association Internationale des Jeunes Francophones, Section MALI

<http://www.aijf.org>

established in 2001

Expertise: Organization of events - Training for young people in information technology - Studies on the impact of ICTs at the local level.

Experience: Creation and coordination of collective access facilities in urban and rural areas, organization of information technology training.

Contribution: Participation and presentation of the points of view of young people, particularly students.

Mali

AJA - Association Jeunesse Action

<http://www.cyberbamako.org.ml/aja>

established in 1993

Expertise: Promotion of job opportunities for young people, particularly through training in and use of ICTs.

Experience: Creation of a computer centre for young people in the informal sector - Creation of a virtual gallery on the craft industry and the achievements of young entrepreneurs in the informal sector - Creation of content focusing on the needs of young people in search of employment in Mali.

Contribution: Very interesting exchanges of experience on uses of ICTs for disadvantaged young people and young people without schooling.

Mali

Junior Entreprise International

established in

Expertise: Local development, particularly through ICTs.

Experience: Entrepreneurship and micro-finance projects using ICTs.

Contribution: Exchange of experience on uses of ICTs for development in the South.

Mali

The young people of Commune III of the District of Bamako demystify NICTs (the Demystifiers)

<http://www.buroticservices.net.ml/jeunec3/jeunesc3>

established in 2001

Expertise: Organization of collective Internet access points. Training.

Experience: Collaboration with the Bamako City Council within the framework of the CyberBamako project to facilitate access to ICTs for young people.

Contribution: Exchange of experience on use of and access to ICTs in towns and cities of the South.

Mali

NBC - Network Bureautique Communication

www.fragmentsdumonde.org

established in 1999

Expertise: Training in rural areas - Organization of gatherings and seminars - Content creation.

Experience: Participation in the creation of local content within the framework of international programmes.

Contribution: Local experience of content creation by an association in the South.

Mali **Net Students Community - NetSCom**
www.isuisse.com/netscom
established in 2000 **Expertise:** Networking of African students around the uses of ICTs and the challenges they represent.
Experience: Establishment of information cells in school and university establishments in Mali. 250 members.
Contribution: Bringing the vision of young Africans into the Summit process.

Namibia **MISA - Media Institute for Southern Africa**
www.misa.org
established in 1993 **Expertise:** Legal support - Media Freedom Monitoring - Promotion of professionalism - Studies and campaigns.
Experience: Trainings and awards for Journalists - Programs of access to information (funds and legal assistance to media practitioners and institutions).
Contribution: Proposals of orientations and principles on Media in Africa.

Nepal **International Friendship Society Nepal**
www.go-mad.org/ifs.htm
established in 1999 **Expertise:** Development work using ICTs for their actions.
Experience: Using ICT for development programs and training - Participation in international forums on ICTs.
Contribution: Sharing of experience on the applications of Internet in the Asia context.

Nepal **SEWA NEPAL**
established in 1992 **Expertise** Consumer awareness campaign on ICT, ICT and women empowerment.
Experience: Advocay work, training, organization of public information campaigns.
Contribution: Networking of NGOs for the Summit - Sharing the Nepalese experiences.

Niger **Groupe Internet Niger**
www.multimania.com/fianiger
established in 1998 **Expertise:** Organization of events and training activities relating to the Internet.
Experience: Organization of the *Fête de l'Internet* (Internet Fair), operation of community access centres, bringing together of stakeholders to discuss Internet-related issues.

Contribution: African point of view on the uses of ICTs, by an association bringing together public, private and associative stakeholders.

Niger

RJDH - Réseau des Journalistes pour les Droits de l'Homme

www.rjdh-niger.org

established in 1998 **Expertise:** Use of ICTs in the promotion of human rights and to facilitate the work of journalists.

Experience: Training of journalists, maintenance of a website containing useful information for journalists.

Contribution: Exchange of experience on the use of communication for journalists, the democratization of ICTs.

Nigeria

Fantsuam Foundation

www.fantsuam.com

established in 1996 **Expertise:** Working with women in rural communities in Nigeria to use ICT and microcredit as tools for poverty alleviation.

Experience: Establishment of Village information shops, a one-stop shop for information from variety of sources, relevant to the community, and provided in the local language - Provision of email postal service for rural communities using a Linux Server - Provision of internet access and services to NGOs in Nigeria.

Contribution: To contribute the perspective of a pioneer NGO working to improve information access at grass roots level in Nigeria.

Nigeria

HURINET - Human Rights Information Network

established in 1997 **Expertise:** Access to effective use of knowledge and information - promotion of research work in the fields of Human Development, Human Rights, Women Empowerment, Child Rights, Environment, Information Management and other relevant disciplines, with a view to advocating for vulnerable people.

Experience: Training for network members on the use of Information and Communication Technology - Research in ICTs and the Right to information, Communication and Development.

Contribution: Sharing of information on ICTs and Human Rights - Mobilisation of a broad network of NGOs.

- Nigeria **Leadershipwatch**
established in 1999 **Expertise:** Advocacy to promote the cause of democracy and good governance.
Experience: Networking and Capacity building, Leadership development/training.
Contribution: Experience Sharing.
- Nigeria **WANGONeT - West African NGO Network**
www.wangonet.org
established in 2000 **Expertise:** Internet services and training for not-for profit organizations, media, cultural and educational institutions in West Africa.
Experience: Currently, there are about 150 NGOs on the Wangonet network spread across Nigeria and Ghana: Provision of internet access - training of school children - Training of various NGOs to acquire ICT competencies and comprehension and utility of the internet as a tool for development.
Contribution: Technical and methodological proposals for the democratization of Internet in Africa.
- Nigeria **YIELD - Youthful Initiatives for Economic, Environmental, Educational and Large-scale Deelopment**
www.yieldevelopment.8m.net
established in 1996 **Expertise:** Youth training on ICTs - Website creations for development - Seminars and meetings organization.
Experience: In partnership with Global Knowledge Partnership and other international networks, monitoring of several projects on social and economical ICTs applications (Health, Business, Education, etc.).
Contribution: Share of experience - Mobilize Youth on Summit issues.
- Peru **Asociación de Comunicadores Sociales Calandria**
<http://www.caland.org.pe>
established in 1983 **Expertise:** Studies and surveys on social media - Creation of content in the political and social spheres - Organization of networks for professionals in the field of social communication and for journalists.
Experience: Training activities in social communication - Local information campaigns on social issues - Opinion surveys and methodological handbooks.
Contribution: Exchange of experience on the ways in which social communication can contribute to local development.

Russia

CCNS - The Centre of Community Networking and Information Policy Studies

<http://www.communities.org.ru>

established in 2001

Expertise: Research centre for programs and practical work in Information and Communication Technologies for development of civil society in the regions of Russian Federation.

Experience: Fields of research:

- Analysis of using ICTs in Russian nonprofit sector.
- Analysis of ICTs influence on community development.
- Provision of independent research and expertise of local and regional information policy in Russian Federation.
- Development of Russian community networkers society.

Contribution: Mobilization of the Russian Civil Society - facilitate the process of creation of regional and nationwide network.

Santo Domingo

FUNREDES - Fundación Redes y Desarrollo

<http://funredes.org>

established in 1993

Expertise: Research - Creation of electronic networks and document bases for research - Organization of networks of social science researchers specializing in ICTs.

Experience: Activities throughout Latin America, the Caribbean and Africa. Creation of an observatory to monitor the social impacts of ICTs and an observatory to monitor Latin languages Internet - Development of research methodologies associated with electronic networks bringing together 300 researchers in Latin America (MISTICA project).

Contribution: As a specialist on the social impact of information technologies and on multilingualism on the Internet, FUNREDES is able to mobilize its research network and present finalized research findings as an input to the discussions of the Summit.

Senegal

FORUT - Sénégal

www.forut.sn

established in 1997

Expertise:

Telework and the disabled - Training of young professionals in occupations involving social communication and new information and communication technologies.

Experience:

Management of a training centre for occupations in the field of digital television (the Dakar Media Centre). Programme on ICTs and the socio-occupational integration of the disabled (deaf and dumb people and those with motor and visual disabilities), with a pilot teleworking facility for the disabled.

Contribution:

Exchanges of experience, particularly on teleworking for the disabled in the South.

Senegal

GARENTIC - Groupe Africain de Recherche et d'Etudes sur les Nouvelles Technologies de l'Information

<http://www.garentic.com>

established in 2001

Expertise:

Research and development. Transfer of know-how and technologies. Training activities for young people.

Experience:

Training activities for young people.

Contribution:

Exchange of experience and research findings in the areas of ICT and development.

Senegal

Institut Panos Afrique de l'Ouest

www.panos.sn

established in 2000

Expertise:

Support for the written press, radio and the new media in the countries of West Africa - Training/assimilation activities in the field of ICTs for media professionals.

Experience:

Creation of content designed to assist professionals through the creation of directories of professional bodies, compilations of laws and regulations, document bases - Creation of networks of professionals and training activities.

Contribution:

Mobilization of the media in the South through a major network covering all the ECOWAS countries. Proposals relating to the plurality and diversity of information.

South Africa **ARTICLE 19**

<http://www.article19.org>

established in 1987

Expertise: Advocacy, campaigns, research, litigation and the building of partnerships.

Experience: Strengthen legal, institutional and policy frameworks for freedom of expression, access to information and access to the means of communication - Engage with civil society actors to build global, regional and national capacities to monitor and shape the policies of governments, corporate actors, professional groups and multilateral institutions with regard to freedom of expression, access to information and access to the means of ...

Contribution: Proposals on set of Principles on Internet Free Expression.

South Africa **SACOD - Southern Africa Communications for Development**

www.sacod.org.za

established in 1988

Expertise: Empowerment of the makers and distributors of videos and films dealing with social development issues.

Experience: Develop and support filmmakers - collaborate with other media entities including government, commercial and independent organizations to establish a viable sustainable and capable independent production sector that is oriented towards regional development issues.

Contribution: Proposals for the formulation of policy around public broadcasting, community media and ICTs.

Switzerland **ETIC Nord Sud**

established in 2001

Expertise: Training activities and awareness-building - Participation in research networks.

Experience: Training activities and participation in university research symposia and groups.

Contribution: Mobilization of African Internet stakeholders and dissemination of the results of the Summit.

Switzerland **InfoSud - Agence de presse**

www.infosud.org

established in 1993

Expertise: Specialized journalism on development issues. Making the public in the North aware of the challenges in the area of international solidarity through the dissemination of press articles.

Experience: Journalistic activities in association with correspondents in countries of the South. Training and creation of dossiers for awareness-building.

Contribution: Strengthening the role of the media, particularly those of the South, in the Summit process.

Suisse

International Conference Volunteers

www.icvolunteers.org

established in 1998

Expertise: Offering support to organizers of humanitarian and social conferences and projects.

Experience: Preparation of the Least Developed Countries for WSIS, in partnership with UNITAR, Media Action International and the Graduate Institute for Development Studies.

Contribution: Volunteer interpreters for PrepCom 1 - Co-organize workshops parallel to the inter-governmental sector.

Switzerland

Media Action International

www.mediaaction.org

established in 1998

Expertise: Humanitarian information - Support for the media in the least developed countries - Training activities - Creation of content.

Experience: Training activities for the LDCs, organized in collaboration with UNITAR - Intervention in countries in crisis to support the media - Electronic information platform on these issues.

Contribution: Support for the media in LDCs to facilitate their participation in the Summit. Organization of training and symposia in preparation for the Summit.

Switzerland

Pain pour le prochain - Bread for all

<http://www.ppp.ch>

established in 1961

Expertise: Support for development, information and awareness-building projects on North-South issues, particularly "Communication for Development" issues.

Experience: 350 development projects in 57 countries of the South. Organization and management of public campaigns on North-South themes, particularly the challenges of communication.

Contribution: Capacity for mobilizing development players in the North and South. Proposal regarding the use of ICTs for international cooperation.

- Switzerland **SwissMedia - Swiss Multimedia Association**
www.swissmedia.ch
established in 1995 **Expertise:** Organization of forums, workshops and conferences.
Experience: Preparation of the FIAM World Summit on the Internet and Multimedia, October 2002.
Contribution: With 200 members who are multimedia professionals in Switzerland, the association can offer its expertise and its ability to mobilize professionals.
- Sweden **WWF Sweden - Världsnaturfonden WWF**
www.wwf.se
established in 1971 **Expertise:** Using ICTs for environment protection.
Experience: Several programs in the world using ICTs in the field of environment protection.
Contribution: Share experience and knowledge about applications of ICTs in the field of environment.
- Togo **ASSOCOME - Association de Commerce Equitable**
<http://www.assocome.com>
established in 1998 **Expertise:** Promotion of equitable commerce through audiovisual media and ICTs.
Experience: Creation of an audiovisual resource centre for professional digital production and post-production. Production of video communication documents (internal or external) for partners in the associative sector and video training courses for staff employed in the social and socio-cultural sectors.
Contribution: Exchange of experience on the importance of communication in the promotion of equitable commerce.
- Togo **AVMES-TOGO - Association des Volontaires du Monde pour un Environnement Sain au Togo**
<http://www.respublica.fr/avmes/index.html>
established in 1997 **Expertise:** Development assistance organization using ICTs in its activities.
Experience: Use of ICTs for local and national development.
Contribution: Exchange of experience on the use of ICTs in West Africa.

- Tunisia **Association tunisienne d'aide à la recherche scientifique sur le net**
under construction
established in 2001 **Expertise:** Dissemination of the ICT culture in the field of scientific research - Training of young people.
Experience: Training activities - Organization of meetings and seminars.
Contribution: Exchange of experience on activities to be implemented to combat the digital divide, particularly in the field of research.
- Tunisia **Association tunisienne des services universels des télécommunications**
<http://www.atusut.org.tn>
established in 2000 **Expertise:** Studies and research aimed at developing and spreading universal services.
Experience: Participation in the creation of Internet and information technology centres, the connection of local hospitals in remote areas, the installation of solar-powered telecommunication centres, the development and use of telecommunication services by satellite in the regions.
Contribution: Exchange of Tunisian experience in the field of ICTs and preparation of national meetings for the Summit.
- Tunisia **World Federation of Enginnering Organizations - WFEO/FMO/CIC**
www.coi-tn.org/fmoi-cic
established in 1967 **Expertise:** Expertise in the area of public/private mechanisms for investment choices - Technology transfer - Training activities and organization of international gatherings.
Experience: Organization of international conferences on ICTs, participation in the Rio + 10 process, assistance in the setting up of training projects.
Contribution: Presenting the "voice of the engineering profession" at the Summit and sharing their experience of collaboration between governments, private and public enterprises and the scientific community.

UK

Communities Online

<http://www.communities.org.uk>

established in 1998

Expertise: Promotion of use of new communications technologies in communitie and neighbourhoods.

Experience: Community networking tools and resources - use of ICTs to support local neighbourhood renewal and social inclusion - support for learning networks - community aspects of e-government - e-democracy - open sourceware expertise - broadband and wireless developments.

Contribution: Sharing of experiences and mobilization of organizations and communities engaged in communication technologies for local development.

UK

Media Trust

www.mediatrust.org

established in 1994

Expertise: Media and IT developments for NGOs, voluntary and community groups.

Experience: Supported 3,500 organisations in the last financial year - First UK-wide NGO tv channel, broadcasting into 5.5 million homes via Sky digital. Also available on web: communitychannel.org.

Contribution: Sharing of experience and promotion of projects.

UK

OneWorld International

www.oneworld.net

established in 1995

Expertise: Electronic medias for Development - Networking - Documentation - Training.

Experience: 11 OneWorld centres worldwide creating websites, sharing documentation on development and organizing training.

Contribution: Large mobilization of NGOs working in the field of Development - Diffusion of the issues and the results of the Summit in the world.

USA

CPSR - Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility

<http://www.cpsr.org>

established in 1981

Expertise: Technical expertise to provide public and policymakers with realistic assessments of the power, promise, and problems of information technology - Supports organizations and individuals working in the cause of social responsibility in technology use - Empowerment of computer professionals and computer users.

Experience: Privacy and Civil Liberties, Cyber-Rights, Voting Technology, Women in Computing, Reliability and Risks of Weapons Systems, Intellectual Property, Computers in Education, and Computers and the Environment.

Contribution: Share and collaborate, bringing the knowledge, skills, and background research to the process of the Summit.

USA

The Social Justice Communications Project

established in 2001

Expertise: Research and analyses on the potential of communication strategies for Democracy.

Experience: Monographs, resource guides and other information aimed at developing capacity in the social justice communications field.

Contribution: Sharing of knowledge in the field of social justice communications.

Category 2: Universities and Research Institutes

Australia	Faculty of Informatics and Communication - Central Queensland University	http://www.infocom.cqu.edu.au
Cameroun	Université Catholique d'Afrique	
Canada	CRDI - Centre de recherches pour le développement international	http://www.idrc.ca/
Canada	McGill University	www.mcgill.ca
Canada	Ontario Institute for Studies in Education - University of Toronto	www.oise.utoronto.ca
Canada	Université de Montréal	
Denmark	University of Aarhus	http://imv.au.dk
France	CEAN - Centre d'Etudes d'Afrique Noire - AFRICANTI, CNRS	www.africanti.org
France	CREIS - Université Paris 6 - Informatique et Société	www.creis.sgdg.org
France	Institut Français de Presse	http://www.u-paris2.fr/ifp/
France	Institut Français des Relations Internationales	http://www.ifri.org
France	Centre d'Etudes d'Afrique Noire, CNRS	http://www.cean.u-bordeaux.fr/
France	IRD - Institut de Recherche pour le Développement	www.ird.fr
Italy	Universidad di Padova - Historical and Political Studies Department	
Senegal	Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar	www.ucad.sn
Suisse	CEPE - Centre for Energy Policy and Economics/Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zürich	www.cepe.ethz.ch
Suisse	Ecole de traduction et d'interprétation de l'Université de Genève	http://www.unige.ch/eti/
Suisse	EMPA - Federal Swiss Laboratory for Materials Testing and Research	
Suisse	EPFL - Group for Life Cycle Systems	http://gecos.epfl.ch/lcsystems
Suisse	GIMUN-SINUG - Hautes Etudes Internationales - Université de Genève	www.gimun.org
Suisse	IUED - Institut Universitaire d'Etudes du Développement	
Suisse	University of Lausanne, HEC - Department of Information System and Organization	http://inforge.unil.ch/aosterwa
Tchad	Universite de Ndjamena, Faculte des sciences de Farcha	www.cnar.td/univ (en creation)
USA	The University of Massachusetts/Boston - College of Public and Community Service	www.cpcs.umb.edu
Zambia	University of Zambia	www.unza.zm

Category 3: Professional organizations

Belgium	World Confederation of Teachers	
Canada	FIAM - Federation Internationale des Associations de multimedia	
France	Union Nationale du Norariat Latin	
Netherlands	AIESEC International	http://www.aiesec.org
RDC	ASSIC - Association des Informaticiens du Congo	http://www.assic.cd
Suisse	CIEM - Confédération Internationale des Editeurs de Musique	

Category 4: Networks and programmes

España	Global Community Networks Partnership	www.globalcnpartnership.org
Malaysia	Global Knowledge Partnership	http://www.globalknowledge.org
Suisse	Conseil Mondial de la Radio-Télévision	
USA	Digital Divide Network	http://www.digitaldividenetwork.org

Category 5: Local authorities

France	Ville de Lyon
Mali	Ville de Bamako
Suisse	Ville de Genève

ANNEX 2

Business sector entities

Austria	Online Schulungs-und Beratungsgesellschaft mbH. http://www.teleonline.at/
Constitution	Limited liability company
Activities	Consulting and training in the field of ICTs
Interest for the Summit	Sharing of experience and expertise

Brazil	ABERT – Associação de Emissoras de Rádio e Televisão (Brazilian Association of Broadcasters) http://abert.org.br
Constitution	Business association
Activities	ABERT is a national organization which congregates more than 2000 radio and television broadcast companies and represents all interests of this sector in the Brazilian and international governmental and private bodies and organizations.
Interest for the summit	ABERT is the second largest association of broadcasters of the world and has large experience to be shared with the international community, specially regarding the new technologies and its impact on communication and information services.

Burkina Faso	Chambre de commerce, d'industrie et d'artisanat du Burkina Faso http://www.ccia.bf
Status	State administrative body with managerial autonomy.
Activities	Public administration representing the private sector.
Relevance to the Summit	New information technologies and economic development.

Mali	Group Leader Consulting - Global Communication
Statut	Limited liability company
Activités	Communication and marketing
Relevance to the Summit	Transfer of technologies - training

Mali	PlateForme Technologies Mali SA
Status	Limited liability company
Activities	Provision of services in the field of ICTs
Relevance to the Summit	Contribution of experience in the field of ICT services

Mali	American Merchandise Express International – Branche du Mali
Status	Limited liability company
Activities	Banking activities
Relevance to the Summit	Transfer of leading-edge technologies between countries and between subsidiaries

Spain	SGAE - Sociedad General de Autores y Editores http://www1.sgae.es
Constitution	Collective management society dedicated to the protection and promotion of the intellectual property rights.
Activities	Collective administration of copyright for authors in the area of music, audiovisual, theatre, choreography, edition in Spain and worldwide – Promotion and protection of copyright at national, European and international level.
Interest in the Summit	SGEA is concerned with the issues of content and intellectual property and wants to submit inputs from its experience in these fields.

Spain	MOVIQUITY A.S. http://www.moviquity.com/
Constitution	Private enterprise
Activities	Developing innovative mobility solutions and their applications for Business
Interest in the Summit	New technologies

Sénégal	Société Nationale de Radiodiffusion Télévision Sénégalaise http://www.rts.sn
Status	Partly State-owned enterprise
Activities	Radio, television, Internet production and broadcasting
Relevance to the Summit	Audiovisual media and new information technologies
