**WORKSHOP no. 136:**

**Title: Implementing good practices in accessibility for an inclusive society**

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**1. DCAD Workshop no. 1**

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# Concise description (200 words maximum):

Access to information by people with disabilities has been widely recognized by many WSIS and IGF declarations. On 3rd May 2008, the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN CRPD) entered into force, turning the intent of these declarations into an internationally recognized human right. Access to information by everyone, including by people with disabilities, is no longer an option.

At the same time, the Internet has become the backbone of our information society, and has rapidly displaced traditional media and communication; commerce and employment; education and research; health; civic participation; and much more. The Internet has also become a key channel for critical information regarding personal safety, emergencies, and disaster management.

But, after five years of IGF, what is the current situation with regard to implementation of accessibility around the world? What are the lessons learned, and what good practices are there to be shared? How can we steer accessibility to the forefront of our rapidly changing world, making it a source of innovation and inspiration?

This panel explores good practices in implementing accessibility for people with disabilities in a world of unprecedented opportunities for people with disabilities to participate equally in an inclusive society.

# Theme:

Access and Diversity

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- Centre for Internet and Society (CIS)

- DAISY Consortium

- Literacy Bridge

- The Global Initiative for Inclusive ICTs (G3ICT)

- W3C Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI)

- IGF Dynamic Coalition on Accessibility and Disability (DCAD)

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