Means of Implementation and Global Partnership for Sustainable Development - the role of ICTs

Side event in conjunction with the Post-2015 intergovernmental negotiations on 'Means of Implementation and Global Partnership for Sustainable Development' - New York
21 April 2015

Title of the side event	Means of Implementation and Global Partnership for Sustainable Development, the role of ICT
Purpose of the side event	This side event will serve as an opportunity to bring attention to all stakeholders in the post 2015 process to the importance of ICTs as a cross-cutting catalyst for the achievement and implementation of all three pillars of sustainable development (economic growth, social inclusion and environmental sustainability). ICTs are identified as an element of proposed SDG Goal 17 on the means of implementation (MOI) and as such are essential to the effective deployment of all SDG goals and targets. As well, the ICT sector provides a model of the global partnerships for sustainable development, which this negotiation session is attempting to implement in the post-2015 sustainable development agenda, particularly in developing countries. This event will be held in conjunction with the 4th session in 2015 of intergovernmental negotiations for the SDGs, which will be adopted by the UN General Assembly at the SDG Summit scheduled for 25-27 September in New York.
Date	21 April 2015 at 1:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Venue	New York City, UNHQ, Conference Room #5
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Speakers	Organization	Potential Topics of presentation
Private Sector	**Mr. Luis Neves** Group Sustainability and Climate Change Officer Deutsche Telekom AG & Chairman (GeSI) **GeSI**	• To share its vision for a sustainable world through responsible, ICT-enabled transformation and 'means of implementation' and as a globally recognized thought leader and proactive driver of the ICT sustainability agenda.

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Government	**Ms. Jeanne d'Arc Byaje** Minister Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Rwanda to the United Nations **Rwanda**	• Lessons learned in country and solutions to promote ICTs and broadband into the post 2015 process.
Other entities	**Mr. Veni Markovski** Vice-President, UN Engagement - New York **ICANN**	• Share the experience of building partnerships and importance of the internet in development.
	Ms. Karen Rose Senior Director, Office for Strategy and Research **ISOC**	• Share the experience of building partnerships and importance of the internet in development.
UN agencies and IGOs	**Mr. Joe Bradley** Head, Intergovernmental Organizations & Partnerships Section/Department of External Relations **WIPO**	• Relationship between IPRs (intellectual property rights) and the transfer of technology - policy frameworks to building inclusive and sustainable development process and global partnership.
	Mr. Gary Fowlie Head, ITU Liasion Office to the United Nations **ITU**	• Why broadband and ICTs policy and access to services are crucial for all 3 pillars of sustainable development, and in the view of Goal 17 will strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.