WSIS Forum 2013- Open Consultation Process:

1st Physical Meeting Main Highlights and contributions

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This document captures the main highlights and contributions made during the 1st Physical meeting

Introductory remarks were made by Mr Zhao, Deputy Secretary General ITU. The coorganizers UNESCO, UNCTAD and UNDP provided welcome remarks.

ITU, WSIS Secretariat made a presentation on the WSIS Forum 2013 Open Consultation Process: http://www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2013/forum/ocp/firstmeeting.html

Please find the complete contributions and interventions here: Adobe Connect Virtual Room Recording: http://itu.adobeconnect.com/p2yqgbi1drd

Around 100 onsite participants and more than 50 remote participants were present during this meeting.

Highlights of the Contributions made during the meeting:

Organization	Contribution Made
INTEL *(WSIS Forum 2013: Strategic Partner –Private Sector)*	• Proud to be the Strategic Partner, Private Sector of the WSIS Forum 2013. • Intel is strongly committed to ITU's goal of connecting people. • WSIS Forum is a unique global event where all the different stakeholders can network, learn and share. • WSIS Forum has proven to be a good networking platform for the Private Sector. • Intel looks forward to ICT trends emerging in WSIS Forum 2013 with the focus on Citizens. • Shared some INTEL programmes like,

	• reaching the 3rd billion programme, inspired by prepaid broadband • Intel actively contributes to most of the WSIS Action lines • Intel believes that the WSIS Forum 2013 will foster the implementation of MDGs
Action Line C2 (ITU)	• Thanked all stakeholders for their contributions to the WSIS Forum activities, especially to AL-C2. • For the next WSIS Forum 2013, as done in previous years, AL-C2 would like to take ideas and concerns of all Stakeholders into account. • Look forward to receiving ideas on the thematic aspects of C2 from the WSIS Forum 2013 Open Consultation process. • For an example, in the last AL-C2 meeting in WSIS forum 2012, we heard voices from the civil society that "Broadband Backbone" is a large issue that should be discussed.
Action Line C5 (ITU)	• ITU has been addressing the various elements of the Action line C5 with stakeholders • One of the good outcomes of the WSIS Forum 2012 was the emerging trends document • AL C5 will build upon the result of the Emerging Trends document • Look forward to the submissions to harmonise and streamline the submissions into the planning of the AL C5 meeting at WSIS Forum 2013
Action Line C6 (ITU)	• Promote creation of an enabling environment for ICT development and extend the benefit to all the world's habitants • Look for positive synergies amongst stakeholders in implementing the WSIS Goals. • Action line C6 Facilitation meeting will be organized as an interactive meeting, will include representatives of different

	- stakeholders. - Focus will range from creating an enabling environment to National Broadband Strategies - Guided by the expectation of all stakeholders on the theme and format of the meeting.
Action Line C7: e-agriculture (FAO)	- Works at the global and national level with the e agriculture community to identify issues of importance in the area. - With reference to the e agriculture facilitation meeting during WSIS Forum 2013, we welcome suggestions from stakeholders for themes. - FAO and its partners have identified some gaps, particularly, on policy on critical content and its transfer through mobile networks. - Availability and accessibility are two important aspects with reference to this. - FAO would like to encourage all stakeholders to share their programmes through E Agriculture Community and the WSIS Stocktaking.
Action Line C7: e-environment (WMO, UNEP)	**WMO** - Await inputs from stakeholders and are coordinating their plan/strategy for the AL Facilitation meeting. - WMO could contribute to e-science and data rescue. **UNEP** Some important topics for UNEP are: - Green Economy - E Waste

Action Line C7: e-business **(UNCTAD, ITC,UPU)**	• In terms of emerging trends from WSIS Forum 2012 , ICT and ICT enabled services • Hope to make some progress in this area in the next few years • Making efforts to explore measurement and data on ICT and ICT enabled services
UNESCO **Action Lines :** **C3 Access to Information and Knowledge** **C7 ICT Application** • **e- Learning** • **e- science** **C8 Culture** **C9 Media** **C10 Ethical Dimensions**	• Difference between WSIS Forum 2013 and UNESCO Event in February • WSIS Forum 2013 (13-17 May) is an annual event and focusses on the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes , • UNESCO Event in February 2013: The meeting was the result of the decision made during UNESCOs General Assembly- the meeting will discuss implementation of 6 different UNESCO action lines • 2013 UNESCO event will have a Sustainable development element. • At present we would like to get inputs from Stakeholders and will build the programme from the inputs received during the Open Consultation Process.
Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development (ITU)	• Conducting a meta data survey on measuring the WSIS Targets. • Questionnaire on meta data will be sent out by the regional commissions. • Data collection will take place in 2013. • WSIS Forum 2013, Partnership will organize a session on the progress made on monitoring the WSIS Outcomes • Topic of the Workshop not confirmed yet • Final Quantitative approach on the WSIS Targets will be produced by Partnership.
Algeria	• Format of the Forum could be adjusted to make sure that participants can attend all the workshops and sessions. • Shortening the duration Opening Session • Cyber Security could be the topic of the

	Ministerial round table
	 • Suggested High-Level Dialogue topics:
	     o Role of ITU on the post 2015 development agenda and to include ICTs as one of the new Development Goals.
	     o Digital Divide
	 • Thematic Workshops:
	     o Illicit use of ICTs
	     o Role of ICT in Water Management AL C7
	     o Mastering ICTs
	     o Ecosystem of Mobile Applications
	     o Algeria interested in Showcasing Projects
	 • Country Exhibition Stand

Civil Society , Cameroon	• Request for Exhibition Space at the WSIS Forum 2013 • The exhibition will focus on the regional aspects of each African region • Focus should be on Implementation during the WSIS Forum 2013
Remote Participant: **Information Technology Authority (ITA) , Sultanate of Oman**	• Oman is closely following the WSIS Action Plan and committed to achieve the targets. • The date of this meeting is Friday which is a weekend over here and in most surrounding countries; we wish to consider this in the future meetings. • Innovation on the format is essential to ensure that all the participants are able to attend all the important sessions and workshops. • The programme should be developed in an interesting format keeping in mind the duration of the event, which could be reduced if needed. • Innovations on the evaluation process for the WSIS Project Prizes should be explored, this will give the prize real competition.
The Conference of NGOs with Consultative relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO)	• WSIS Forum Open Consultation Process has proven to be a very inclusive format • Suggested topic: ICT Services as a Human Rights • Increased Civil Society Participation in WSIS

	Forum 2013
Remote Participant: **IFIP, Australia**	• WSIS Forum 2012 was challenging and stimulating and hence IFIP would like to participate in WSIS Forum 2013 • Suggested topic: Partnership in developing professionalism amongst those developing creative tools for software development • Need to ensure that all partners are aware of the need to develop frameworks.
Mr Fullsack, Civil Society	• Innovative format of the Opening Segment could be explored • Dialogues at WSIS Forum 2013 could focus at a regional level - specific to Africa • In line with the MDGs and RIO +20 • Suggested Topics: Energy and ICT
CIVICUS,	• We need to get the post Rio process, post 2015 process and WSIS process together. • Ensure civil society participation in these processes.

David Allen , USA	• Suggested topics:
	    o Internet Governance
	    o Emerging Technology Trends
	• Important to create a community, and encourage a dialogue

Parallel Meeting During WSIS Forum 2013 **5th WTPF 2013 (ITU)**	• WTPF 2013 Collocated with the WSIS Forum 2013 • Dates: 14-16 May 2013 • Location :CICG, Geneva • Strategic Dialogue will be held on 13th May
Parallel Meeting During WSIS Forum 2013 **IGF (Secretariat)**	• During WSIS Forum 2013 the Second Round of Open Consultation will be held • MAG Members meeting will be held from 15-17 May • Preparatory Process of the 8th Annual Meeting of the IGF

ICV Volunteers, Geneva	- ImeetatWSIS www.wsis.org/imeet - Explore innovative ways of conducting sessions, engaging all participants in the room

- **Documents and Presentation available at:**
  http://www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2013/forum/ocp/firstmeeting.html
- **Photographs:**
  http://www.flickr.com/photos/itupictures/sets/72157632026725290/with/8190305617/
- **Webcast:** http://www.itu.int/ibs/WSIS/20121116prep/
- **Adobe Connect Virtual Room Recording:** http://itu.adobeconnect.com/p2yqgbi1drd
- **Registered Remote Participants:**
  http://www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2013/forum/inc/doc/ocp/WF13_OCP_FirstPhysical
  Meeting_RemoteParticipants.pdf