WSIS Forum 2013: Open Consultation Process

1st Physical Meeting

16 November 2012
Room H, ITU Headquarters, Geneva Switzerland
Open Consultation Process

- **8 October 2012**: Opening of the Open Consultations:
  - Online Dialogues on the WSIS Knowledge Communities
  - Official submissions at [www.wsis.org/forum](http://www.wsis.org/forum)
- **16 November 2012**: First Physical Meeting
- **21 January 2013**: Deadline for Submission of the Official Contributions and binding Requests for Workshops
- **15 February 2013**: Final Review Meeting
- **16 April 2013**: Final Brief on the WSIS Forum 2013

WSIS Forum 2013: 13-17 May, Geneva
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Open Consultation Process

Have you submitted? Every opinion counts!

- Official Submission Forum available online
- Inclusion of your submissions in the Agenda of the WSIS Forum 2013
- Contribute towards identifying emerging trends and a vision beyond 2015!
- Network, Share and Partner with 1500 Stakeholders

Deadline: 21 January 2013
Checklist WSIS Forum 2013

• Invite Minister to be Part of the WSIS Forum 2013
• Encourage High Level Representatives of Private Sector, Civil Society, Academia to Participate
• Register as soon as possible to profit from ImeetYou@WSIS
• Submit Contribution for Country Workshop
• Submit Contribution for Thematic Workshop
• Submit your project for WSIS Project Prizes 2013
• Set up an Exhibition Space
• Announce Publication Releases
Partners of WSIS Forum 2013

Strategic Partners:
- Private Sector:
  - Partners:
- Government:
  Still Available

Partner for Specific Activities:
Tanzania (United Republic of)

Partnership opportunities available:
wsis-info@itu.int
Every year WSIS Forum generates an Outcome Document

- Highlighting the **main outcomes** of the WSIS Forum 2012

- Capturing **emerging trends** in information society and ICT sector, observed by WSIS stakeholders

- Drawing attention to the **multi-stakeholder consensus** or possible diversity of views amongst WSIS stakeholders

- Providing a **summary** of all the sessions at the Forum
Booklet: Identifying Emerging Trends and a vision beyond 2015!

- WSIS Forum has proven to be a unique platform for multistakeholder brainstorming and consensus on emerging trends in the area of Information Society.
- This information document captures the emerging trends in the 11 WSIS Action lines, both in terms of policy and technology, discussed by stakeholders during WSIS Forum 2012.
- It combines the inputs of the WSIS Stakeholders with the technical expertise of the Action Line Facilitators.
- It intends to provide WSIS Stakeholders with guidance and a vision for the way beyond 2015, WSIS+10 related activities.
## WSIS Forum 2013: Agenda

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**Legend:**
- **AM:** Afternoon Session
- **PM:** Morning Session
- **WSIS+10:** World Summit on Information Society 2010
- **HL:** High-Level
- **UNGIS:** United Nations General Assembly on Information Society
- **WTISD:** World Telecommunication/ICT Development

**Note:** The agenda is subject to change.
## WSIS Forum 2013: Parallel Meetings

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WSIS STOCKTAKING PROCESS

It is register of activities carried out by governments, international organizations, the business sector, civil society and other entities, in order to highlight the progress made since that landmark event.

• § 120 of Tunis Agenda for the Information Society (TAIS)
• § 28 e) Geneva, Plan of Action
• ECOSOC Resolution 2012/5 on “Assessment of the progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society”

www.wsis.org/stocktaking
WSIS Stocktaking Report 2013

The publication will be released at the WSIS Forum 2013 in May!

Call for update and new entries!
Deadline for submissions: 31st January

www.wsis.org/stocktaking
WSIS PROJECT PRIZES

WSIS Project Prizes recognize excellence in the implementation of projects and initiatives which further the goals of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) in improving connectivity to information and communication technologies (ICTs) in line with the 11 Action Lines laid out in the WSIS outcome documents.

United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) resolution 2012/5 “Assessment of the progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society” reiterates the importance of sharing the best practices at the global level, and while recognizing excellence in the implementation of the projects and initiatives which further the WSIS goals, encourages all stakeholders to nominate their projects to the annual WSIS Project Prizes, as an integral part of the WSIS Stocktaking process, while noting the report on the WSIS Success Stories.
Winners from all over the world

Detailed information about 18 projects - winners
The contest 2013 is organized into four phases:
1) Project submission
3rd September – 16th December 2012
2) Evaluation/Voting Process
Until 15 March 2013
3) Compilation of extended descriptions of the winning projects and preparation of "WSIS Stocktaking: Success Stories 2013"
4) The WSIS Project Prize Ceremony will be hosted at the WSIS Forum 2013 on 13 May 2013
WSIS Project Prizes 2013

Innovative component at the WSIS Forum 2013

• Showcasing Roundtable 2013
• WSIS Gala Dinner
• Exhibition space for winners
• Success stories 2013-projects of winners
• The publication with all nominated projects

www.wsis.org/prizes
United Nations Group on the Information Society (UNGIS)

- **UNGIS 2012-2013 Work Plan** was approved during the UNGIS meetings at WSIS Forum 2012
- **ICT and UNDAF**: UN Development Assistance Framework
- Joint Initiative: **Mobile for Development**
- **RIO+ Conference**: UNGIS submitted a joint contribution and organized a side event at RIO+20 on *ICTs, the foundation of our sustainable future.*
In May 2011, the Partnership’s **Task Group on Measuring the WSIS Targets (TGWSIS)**, led by ITU, launched the ‘Measuring the WSIS Targets – A statistical framework’ document:

- A *response* to the WSIS call to develop indicators for measuring the information society
- A *concrete list of (49) indicators*, definitions, data collection methodologies, to monitor the 10 WSIS targets
- A *practical tool* for policy makers and data producers in developing countries to help them measure progress
- The *main reference document* for the final WSIS review which will be prepared by the Partnership in 2014
- A number of *countries have started tracking the WSIS targets* based on this framework (e.g. Ecuador)
Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development: 
WSIS+10 Review

Based on this **WSIS targets statistical framework** the Partnership will help measure the WSIS Targets:

- **Oct 2012-Feb 2013**: Metadata questionnaire to take stock of data availability in countries, to be sent by Regional Commissions
- **2013-14**: Country data collection on WSIS targets and preparation of quantitative assessment report
- **Final report on the achievements of the WSIS targets will be presented in 2014 at ITU High-Level Meeting**

*Regular progress reports will be made at annual WSIS Forum and WTIS (Partnership sessions)*
Consequently, in 2011 CEB tasked UNGIS, under ITU leadership, to prepare, on the basis of an open consultation, an [Plan of Action for the WSIS Overall Review (WSIS+10)](www.wsis.org/review). The Board requested UNGIS to present the Plan of Action at its spring 2012 session.

In April 2012 Chief Executives Board approved the plan and appointed ITU to play a leading managerial role in the process of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (WSIS+10).

Further to the request of the [ECOSOC Resolution (2011/16)] on the Assessment of the Progress Made in the Implementation of and Follow-up to the Outcomes of WSIS, the Secretary General, ITU reported the outcomes of the UNGIS Open Consultations and Plan of Action to the 15th session of the CSTD.

The Secretary-General, ITU reported to the United Nations General Assembly, in its sixty-seventh session on the results of the open consultation on the overall review of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes, taking into account that CEB requested ITU to play the leading managerial role for the WSIS+10 Review Process.
WSIS+10: Actions in 2013

- **February:** Multi-stakeholder Event on Towards Knowledge Societies for Peace and Sustainable Development
  - 3 days event, hosted by UNESCO in Paris, with a high-level component
  - Review of emerging trends in the Information Society
  - Development of recommendations of relevance to the forward looking outcome.

- **13-17 May 2013:** Preparations to the WSIS+10 during [WSIS Forum 2013](http://www.wsis.org/review)
  - Agreement on outline of the forward looking outcome
  - Discussion on text

[www.wsis.org/review](http://www.wsis.org/review)
WSIS+10: Actions at the WSIS Forum 2013

• Opening Segment (13 May 2013)
• Two plenary sessions (15/17 May 2013)
• WSIS+10 Visioning Lunch (14/15 May 2013)
• Ministerial round table (14 May 2013)
• Action Line Facilitators Meeting (17 May 2013)
WSIS Process: Publicity and Outreach

Customer Relationship Management System
- WSIS Flash (WSIS Implementation Process Monthly Newsletter)

Social Networking tools
- iwrite4WSIS Forum: Twitter – @WSISProcess #WSIS
- imeetyouatWSIS Forum
- Facebook
- Linkedin
WSIS Fund in Trust

- **Resolution 140 (Plenipotentiary 2010)** invites all member states, sector members and associates to make voluntary contributions to the special trust fund set up by ITU to support activities relating to the implementation of the WSIS outcomes.

- **Resolution 1334 (Modified 2012)** on the ITU Role in the Overall Review of the Implementation of the Outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society recognizes that ITU should play a leading managerial role in the process of the Overall Review of the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes (WSIS+10) and encourages all Member States to contribute to the WSIS Fund in Trust of the ITU corresponding to the financial requirements of the WSIS+10 related activities.

- Call for **2012-2013** in all six UN Languages [http://www.itu.int/itu-wsis/fund/index.html](http://www.itu.int/itu-wsis/fund/index.html)
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- WSIS Stocktaking: www.wsis.org/stocktaking
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