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**Some comments to be considered in the ITU SG report on the WTPF-21:**

**Section 2.1:** the transformative force of new technologies must be delivered with consideration of complex strategic challenges, particularly with regard to network security and stability, the preservation of the health and safety of individuals and the protection of their privacy, and also with the protection of the environment.

**Section 2.6** on the main issues that could be addressed when discussing the opportunities and challenges of new digital technologies, the following issues will need to be addressed:

- What is the role of international fora, including the ITU, in supporting developing countries in the use of ICTs to achieve the SDGs?

- How to promote a real multi-stakeholder collaboration that will enable developing countries as part of the global chain to benefit from the revenues generated by the digital economy.

**Section 2.8.1.1:** With the emergence and the expansion of AI, it is very crucial for developing countries to discuss the following issues, including:

- How to deal with the problems of inequality, racist robots triggered by AI?

- How to share the wealth created by machines?

- How to solve the problems of ethics related to the use of the AI, and which authority will be able to validate the regulations related to this domain?

- What are the socio-economic impacts of AI for states and for people's daily lives?

- How to deal with the challenges related to the expansion of AI on the privacy?

- What is the legal future of these robots that are able to perceive and act?

**Section 2.8.2.2:** the following should be considered and discussed in the IoT section:

- What are the challenges and consequences of collecting data (with connected objects) for state security?

- How to ensure the privacy protection (of people) with IoT?

- How is the management of personal data and their storage?

**Section 2.8.4.2:** In the section of Big Data it will also be necessary to consider the following:

- What gains can developing countries generate from data created by their citizens, shared on the Internet and exploited by large companies? and how can we collaborate for a win-win approach?

- How to guarantee the protection of the privacy of individuals;

- How is the management of personal data and their storage.

- How to deal with the unauthorized use of data in the areas of e-commerce and AI?

**Section 2.8.5.2:** In the OTT section, it will be necessary to look further into the following questions:

- How should the OTT providers contribute to the economic development of the countries (where the users are)?

- How do OTT providers manage, store and reuse the personal data of their customers?