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| INTERAGENCY COORDINATING MECHANISM: UNITED NATIONS GROUP ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY (UNGIS) | |
| Purpose  This document provides updates on the activities of UNGIS.  Action required  The Council Working Group on WSIS and the SDGs is invited to **note** the document.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  References  [*CWG-WSIS&SDG website*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Pages/default.aspx)*;* [*UNGIS website*](http://www.ungis.org)*; UNGA Resolutions* [*A/RES/70/125*](https://undocs.org/Home/Mobile?FinalSymbol=A%2FRES%2F70%2F125&Language=E&DeviceType=Desktop&LangRequested=False)*,* [*A/RES/70/1*](https://undocs.org/Home/Mobile?FinalSymbol=A%2FRES%2F70%2F1&Language=E&DeviceType=Desktop&LangRequested=False)*,* [*A/RES/77/150*](https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N22/755/00/pdf/N2275500.pdf?OpenElement)*; UN ECOSOC* [*Resolution E/RES/2022/15*](https://unctad.org/system/files/official-document/ecosoc_res_2022d15_en.pdf)*;* [*PP Resolution 172 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010)*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Documents/Resolution172-PP10.pdf)*;* [*PP Resolution 140 (Bucharest, 2022)*](https://www.itu.int/en/council/Documents/basic-texts-2023/RES-140-E.pdf)*;* [*Council Resolution 1332 (Modified 2024)*](https://www.itu.int/md/S24-CL-C-0141/en)*;* [*Council Resolution 1334 (Modified 2023)*](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0120/en)*;* [*World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20: WSIS beyond 2025 – WSIS+20 Roadmap*](https://www.itu.int/md/S22-CL-C-0059/en) | |

UNGIS is an inter-agency mechanism established to coordinate substantive policy issues related to the implementation of the WSIS outcomes. The group has been contributing its expertise to enhance the effective execution of WSIS goals and advance global information society policies. By fostering collaboration among these diverse UN bodies, UNGIS aims to ensure a cohesive approach to shaping and improving information and knowledge societies, leveraging their collective knowledge and resources to address emerging challenges and opportunities in this field.

UNGIS annual meetings 2024

UNGIS held its annual meetings ([UNGIS High-Level Roundtable Meeting](https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2024/Agenda/Session/321) and [UNGIS working-level meeting](https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2024/Agenda/Session/320)) on 28 and 30 May 2024 during the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event 2024. UNESCO assumed the rotational chairmanship of UNGIS for the period 2024-2025. The Vice-Chairs for this period are ITU, UNDP, UNCTAD, and UN ECLAC.

During these meetings, UNGIS members discussed:

– Contributions and activities in 2024-2025, including joint events and Global Digital Compact (GDC) involvement

– Enhancements to the UNGIS Digital Transformation repository and strategies for accelerating WSIS Action Lines and digital cooperation

– Views on the WSIS+20 review, achievements, and future digital governance.

Members reaffirmed their commitment to supporting the WSIS+20 process and advancing sustainable development goals.

UNGIS members have actively contributed to various global processes, emphasizing the significance of information and communication technologies. In accordance with the work-plans some inputs and contributions in 2024 to other global processes include the following:

– GDC consultations

• [UNGIS inputs and statements](http://www.ungis.org).

– High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2024

• [UNGIS Input to the United Nations High-level Political Forum 2024](https://hlpf.un.org/inputs/united-nations-group-on-the-information-society-1)

• [UNGIS side event: WSIS towards Summit of the Future and Beyond](https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/ungis/Articles/View/1231).

– Summit of the Future

• UNGIS will be hosting a virtual side event during the Summit of the Future on the 20th of September 2024 in collaboration with the Government of South Africa and United Kingdom.

– Internet Governance Forum (IGF) 2024

• UNGIS plans to organize a side event at the IGF 2024 in December 2024.

ITU continues to provide secretariat support to UNGIS and maintains the official UNGIS website [www.ungis.org](http://www.ungis.org/).

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