

World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Implementation Process



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WSIS Implementation Process

Celebrating 15 Years of the Geneva Plan of Action

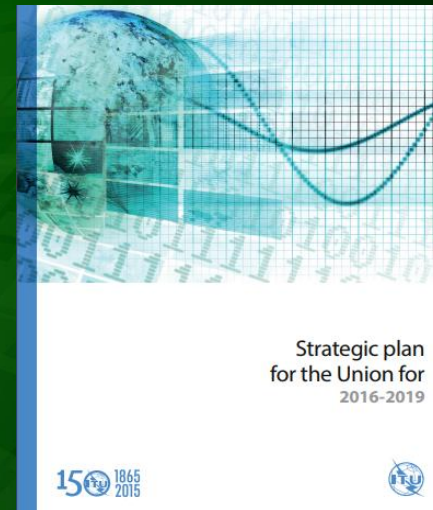
-  Facilitation and Implementation of WSIS Action Lines
-  WSIS Forum
-  WSIS Stocktaking
-  WSIS Prize
-  United Nations Group on the Information Society (UNGIS)
-  Partnership on Measuring ICTs for Development





ITUs Strategic Plan – WSIS and SDGs

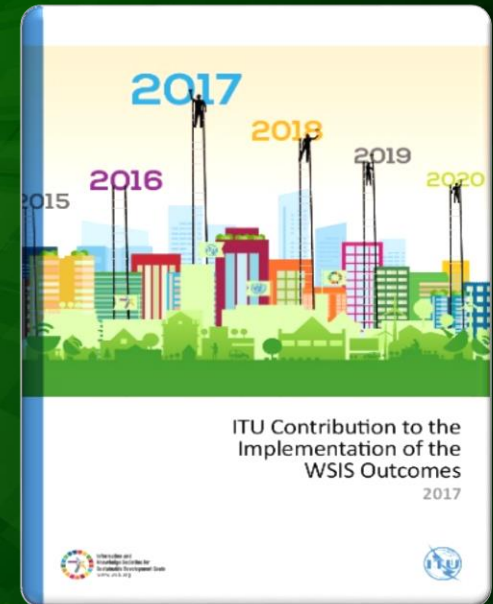
- The implementation of the outcomes of the WSIS continues to be one of the priorities of the Secretary-General and membership of ITU
- Council 2016 resolved to use the WSIS Framework as the foundation through which the ITU helps achieve the 2030 Agenda.
- ITUs Strategic Plan, including the outputs and activities are mapped and linked to the WSIS Action Lines and SDGs.



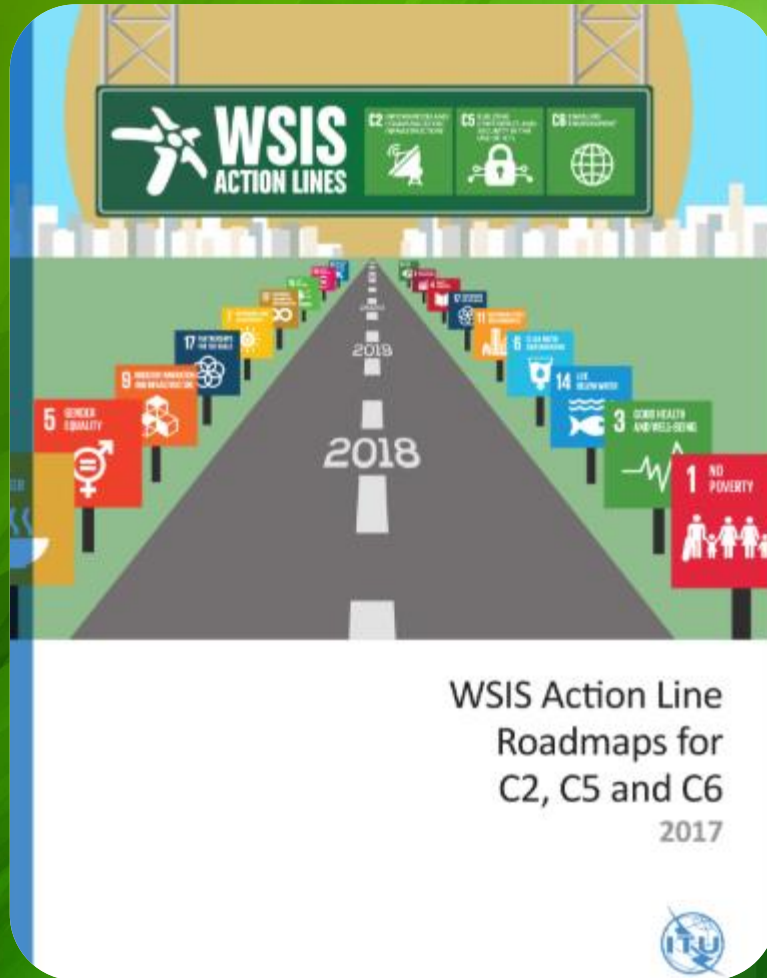
ITU Contribution to the WSIS Implementation:

The Report provides updates on the tasks carried out by the ITU at the operational and policy level, covering all assigned mandates with reference to the WSIS Process, in particular:

- Lead facilitator (along with UNESCO and UNDP) in coordinating the multistakeholder implementation of the *Geneva Plan of Action*.
- Facilitator of Action Lines C2 (Information and communication infrastructure) and C5 (Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs); upon the UNDP's request the ITU accepted to play the role of the Facilitator of Action Line C6 (Enabling environment).
- Co-facilitator of Action Lines C1, C3, C4, C7 and C11; and partner for Action Lines C8 and C9.
- Rotating Chair of the United Nations Group on Information Society (UNGIS).
- Steering committee member of the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Measurement.
- Facilitator of the WSIS Stocktaking Process.
- Initiator and facilitator of the WSIS Project Prize.
- Implementation of other WSIS outcomes.



WSIS Action Line Roadmaps for Action Lines C2, C5 and C6



- Roadmaps are detailed plans to guide progress towards achieving the WSIS Implementation goals.
- Direct links between the activities and the strategic goals and relevant resolutions, programmes and initiatives of the ITU are highlighted that also clearly display the linkages with the SDGs.
- The roadmaps include timeframes, expected results, as well as list relevant partners..

WSIS Forum 2018: OUTCOMES

Leveraging ICTs to Build Information and Knowledge Societies for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

The WSIS Forum is the only event of its kind where the programme is completely crowdsourced: the Agenda and Programme were built on the basis of official submissions received during the Open Consultation Process.

- 2500+ ICT experts contributed to the event
- Thousands followed and intervened remotely
- 500+ High-Level representatives
- 250+ workshops and open space talks discussed linkages between the WSIS Action Lines and SDGs
- 30+ exhibition spaces highlighted innovation and projects from the ground

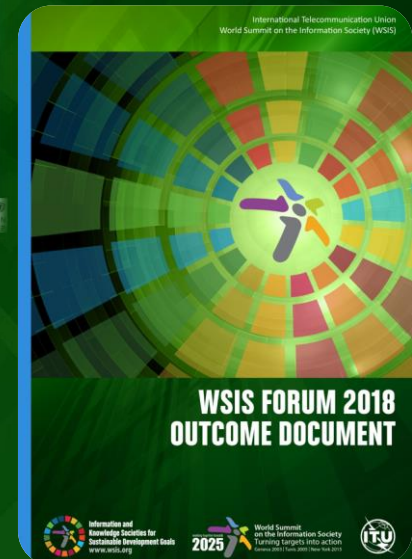


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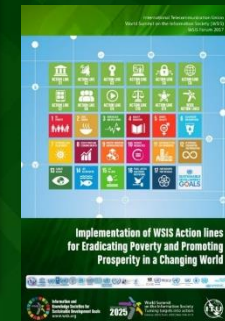
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WSIS Forum 2018: Outcomes

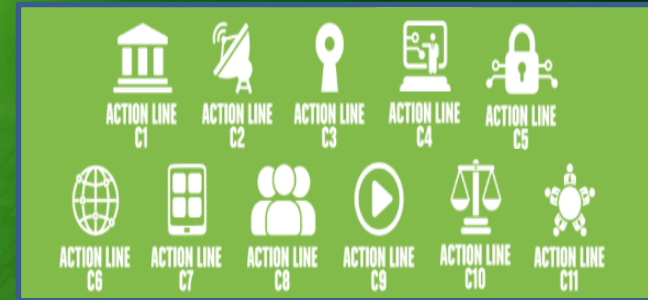
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- WSIS Forum 2018: Outcome Document
- WSIS Forum 2018: High Level Track Outcomes and Executive Brief
- Implementation of WSIS Action Lines for Moving Towards Resilient and Sustainable Societies (HLPF 2018) WSIS Stocktaking Report 2018
- WSIS Forum 2018 and SDG Matrix
- WSIS Stocktaking Success Stories 2018



WSIS Forum 2018: WSIS Action Lines aligned to the SDGs

- Building on the [WSIS-SDG Matrix](#) developed by UN WSIS Action Line Facilitators, a **mapping tool** was available to emphasize the linkages between the Action Lines and the SDGs identified by WSIS Stakeholders in their respective sessions and workshops.
- WSIS/ SDGs Matrix WSIS Forum 2018: Outcomes-** WSIS Stakeholders identified a clear relation and connection between the WSIS Action Lines and SDGs for their respective workshops and session at the WSIS Forum,
- Report by WSIS AL Facilitators:** Implementation of WSIS Action Lines for Moving Towards Resilient and Sustainable Societies (HLPF 2018)



WSIS – SDG Matrix

The WSIS-SDG Matrix, developed by UN WSIS Action Line Facilitators and presented at the WSIS Forum 2015, served as the mechanism to map, analyze and coordinate the implementation of WSIS Action Lines, and more specifically, ICTs as enablers and accelerators of the SDGs.





UN Regional Commissions at the WSIS Forum 2018

- All five UN Regional Commissions participated actively in the preparatory process and the discussions at the WSIS Forum 2018
- Presence of Executive Secretaries of UNECE and UNCSCWA
- Annual UN Regional Commissions Meeting that discussed the implementation of Activities in 2017-2018/2019
 - Current Chair: UNECE
 - Permanent Secretariat: ITU





Connecting Dots at the Regional Level

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- In the outcomes of the UN General Assembly overall review on the implementation of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) (GA Resolution A/70/125), regional commissions are invited to continue their work in implementation of WSIS and their contribution to the reviews thereof, including through regional reviews.
- UN Regional Commissions in collaboration with other UN Agencies working towards regional WSIS implementation reviews.





High-Level Political Forum 2018

- WSIS Forum 2018 Outcomes submitted to the HLPF, 9-18 July 2018
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**HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM
ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

United Nations Group on the Information Society UNGIS

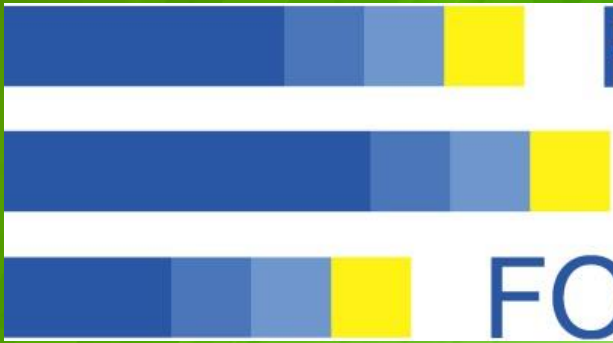
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Upcoming Activities:

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- UNGIS Side-event at HLPF, with the engagement of the WSIS Prize winners

CURRENT CHAIR: ITU





PARTNERSHIP ON MEASURING ICT FOR DEVELOPMENT

- **Improving** the availability and quality of ICT data and indicators, particularly in developing countries
- **Guiding** policy makers in producing ICT statistics that are crucial to decision-making, including the identification of a core list of ICT indicators and methodologies to collect these indicators
- **Helping** countries collect ICT statistics, particularly through capacity-building and hands-on training for national statistical offices, and collects and disseminates information society statistics.
- **Coordinating** Partnership Task Group on ICT for SDGs, co-lead by ITU and UIS as the main activity of the Partnership between 2017 to Sept 2018
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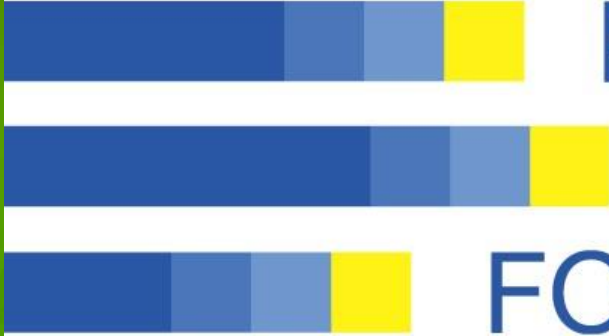
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WSIS Stocktaking Process: An Opportunity for Global Promotion

WSIS Prizes Contest: Best Practices Recognized



Each year, WSIS Prizes is recognizing 18 winners and 72 champions. In 2018 another record-breaking contest was implemented with 685 submitted projects, out of which 492 were nominated for the online voting phase which was a big breakthrough with 45% increase since 2017.

Since 2016, WSIS Prizes reflects close linkages with achieving SDGs, becoming one of the most globally appreciated efforts for collecting and promoting ICT-related projects and initiatives that also enable progress towards achieving SDGs on local, regional and global level.

New Call for WSIS Prizes 2019 contest is to be launched this summer – inviting WSIS Community to submit ICT-related projects and initiatives that also help advance SDGs.

The Call for the WSIS Stocktaking Report 2019 is Ongoing



Submit your ICT-related projects and initiatives and share best practices of implementing WSIS Action Lines and advancing SDGs!

Submitted activities will be reflected in the WSIS Stocktaking Report 2019 which will be released at **WSIS Forum 2019 (8-12 April 2019)**.

WSIS Stocktaking database reached new records with **10.000+ entries** and a growing community of **350,000 stakeholders**.

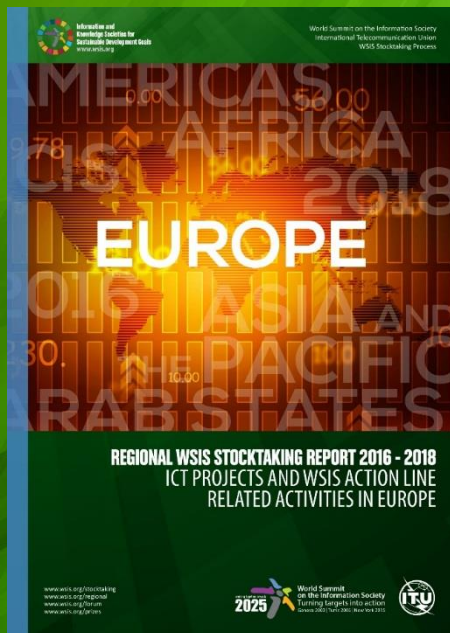
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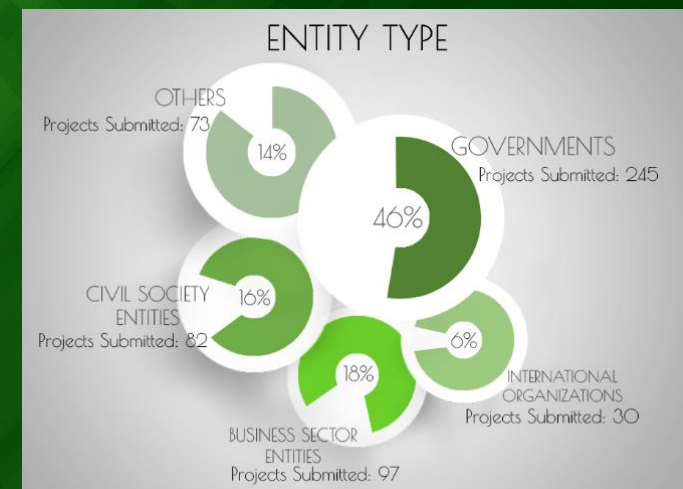
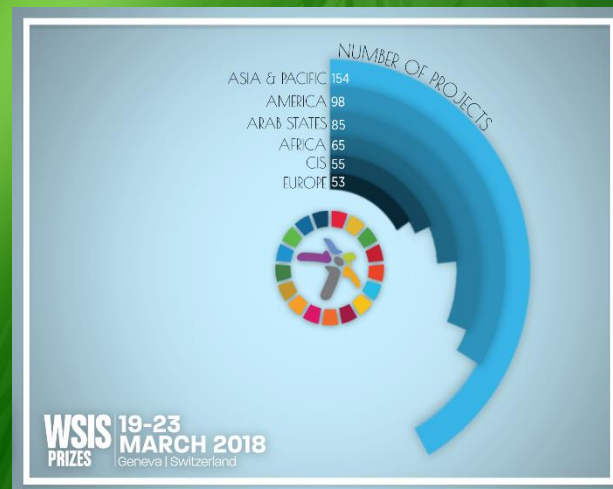
WSIS Stocktaking Reports in the Europe Region

ICT Projects And WSIS Action Line Related Activities in Europe Region

Following the first series of the WSIS Stocktaking Regional Report for Europe released during the WSIS Forum 2016, the second series of Regional WSIS Stocktaking Report in the Europe Region (2016-2018) was launched during the WSIS Forum 2018 and is available at the ITU Bookshop



- Two Hundred and sixty- six entries (266) were submitted from the Europe Region to the WSIS Stocktaking platform (with more than 300 projects since 2012, the first WSIS Prizes contest)
- Twenty six projects from this region have been awarded WSIS Prizes as winners and champions since 2012
- In 2018 Europe region contributes with 53 projects out of 492 projects submitted worldwide
- Four projects from this region have been awarded WSIS Prizes in 2018 as winners and champions with one project each from Poland, Portugal, Serbia and United Kingdom
- Congratulations to all WSIS Prizes Winners and Champions from the Europe Region!



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WSIS Prizes Laureates from Europe

WSIS Photo Contest 2018 Finalist from Europe



Action Line C1 The role of government and all stakeholders in the promotion of ICTs for development:

OSE - FAST INTERNET FOR ALL SCHOOLS

Ministry of Digital Affairs,
POLAND



Action Line C6 Enabling environment:
**THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE FOR
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND E
GOVERNMENT**

Office for IT and eGovernment, Republic of Serbia,
SERBIA



Action Line C7 E- Science:

ROBOT AJUDA!

Agrupamento de Escolas de
Portela e Moscavide
PORTUGAL



Action Line C11 International
and regional cooperation:
SATELLITES FOR SUSTAINABILITY
Inmarsat and the UK Space
Agency
UNITED KINGDOM



Commitment from UN Leadership



Mr. Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary General

“Connecting the unconnected is crucial to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. It is essential for sharing information, bringing people in from the margins and giving people a voice. I thank the World Summit on the Information Society Forum for promoting an inclusive process to meet this goal.”



Ms. Amina Mohammed, UN Deputy Secretary-General

“WSIS Forum is the central venue for the global community to reflect on the developments, implications and opportunities of ICTs and to act collectively to bring the benefits to all. I commend the efforts made by stakeholders to align the WSIS process and the 2030 Agenda. The WSIS-SDGs matrix, developed by UN agencies, is a valuable tool that shows the clear links between ICTs and the SDGs.”



Mr. Houlin Zhao, ITU Secretary-General

“Thanks to all of you, this forum has become the leading ICT for development event in the world. The WSIS Forum is our common platform to foster partnerships, showcase innovation, and exchange best practices in the field of ICT through the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines.”

Call for Action: to be Launched in July 2018

WSIS Forum 2019: 8-12 April

Open consultation process to be launched in July 2018

WSIS Prizes:

Phases of the Contest to be announced in July

WSIS Stocktaking:

Call for new entries to the database and Stocktaking report



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