



Ambassadors' Information Meeting

**ITU Tower, Popov Room
17 March 2014**

International Telecommunication Union



Agenda

1. Opening Remarks
2. Review of 2014 main events
3. Review of other activities
4. Q & A session

WTDC-14

Dubai World Trade Center, Dubai, UAE

30 March – 10 April 2014

Overview





WTDC-14

- Held every four years, it is the 6th World Telecommunication Development Conference
- On the eve of the conference there will be a Executive Strategic Dialogue (29 March 2014)
- WTDC establishes work programmes/guidelines for defining telecommunication development priorities and provides direction and guidance for the work programme of the Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) over the next four-year period

Preparatory Process for WTDC-2014

- RPM for CIS Countries (18-21 February 2013)
- RPM for Asia-Pacific (29 April - 2 May 2013)
- RPM for the Americas (19-22 August 2013)
- RPM for Africa (1-4 October 2013)
- RPM for the Arab Region (28-31 October 2013)
- RPM for Europe (25-28 November 2013)



Agenda of WTDC-2014

1. Opening ceremony
2. Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman
3. Approval of the agenda
4. Consideration of the Time Management Plan
5. Assessment of the implementation of the Hyderabad Action Plan (WTDC-10) and the WSIS Plan of Action
6. Identification of priority areas
7. Topics for ITU-D future work (Working Methods and Study Group Questions)
8. Priority setting for Regional Initiatives



Structure of WTDC-2014

Plenary & Working Groups: Strategic Plan & Declaration; WSIS+10

Com 1: Steering Committee

Com 2: Budget Control Committee

Com 3: Objectives

Objective 1	Objective 2	Objective 3	Objective 4	Objective 5
International cooperation	Enabling environment and networks deployment	ICT applications and cybersecurity	Knowledge sharing, digital inclusion, statistics and concentrated assistance to LDCs, SIDS and LLDCs	Climate change and emergency telecoms

Com 4: Working Methods

Com 5: Editorial Committee



WTDC-14 expected outcome

- The Dubai Declaration
- The ITU-D contribution to the ITU Strategic Plan 2016-2019
- The Dubai Action Plan

Girls in ICT Day



- International Girls in ICT Day will be celebrated on **24 April 2014**
- Girls in ICT Day is an opportunity to encourage and empower girls and young women to consider studies and careers in ICTs
- So far, we have seen **2,700** events in **121** countries empowering over **70,000** girls and young women globally!

Contact: girlsinict@itu.int

*Join us and organize a "Girls in ICT Day" event on or around **24 April 2014** and be a part of this global initiative to empower young girls!*



ITU Council 2014

✓ Dates and venue

- **Tuesday, 6 May to Thursday, 15 May 2014, Geneva.**
- **Saturday 18 Oct 2014 Final meeting of the 2014 Session of the Council, Busan, Rep. of Korea.**

✓ Role of the Council

The Council acts as governing body of the Union on behalf of the Plenipotentiary Conference.

✓ Key issue for C-14

ITU strategic and financial plans for the period 2016-2019



ITU Council 2014 – Agenda and key issues

Council will review

- ✓ General policy, strategy and planning issues
- ✓ Preparations for major ITU events, (PP/14; WSIS +10 High-level event; Telecom World 2014, 150th Anniversary)
- ✓ Implementation of the strategic plan and activities of the Union
- ✓ Membership issues

C-14 will also

- ✓ Approve operational plans for the Sectors and the General Secretariat
- ✓ Review the draft Report of Council to Plenipotentiary Conference
- ✓ Review revenue and expenditure and financial operating reports
- ✓ Address staff issues and implementation of the HR strategic plan

C-14 invitation and Preliminary draft agenda

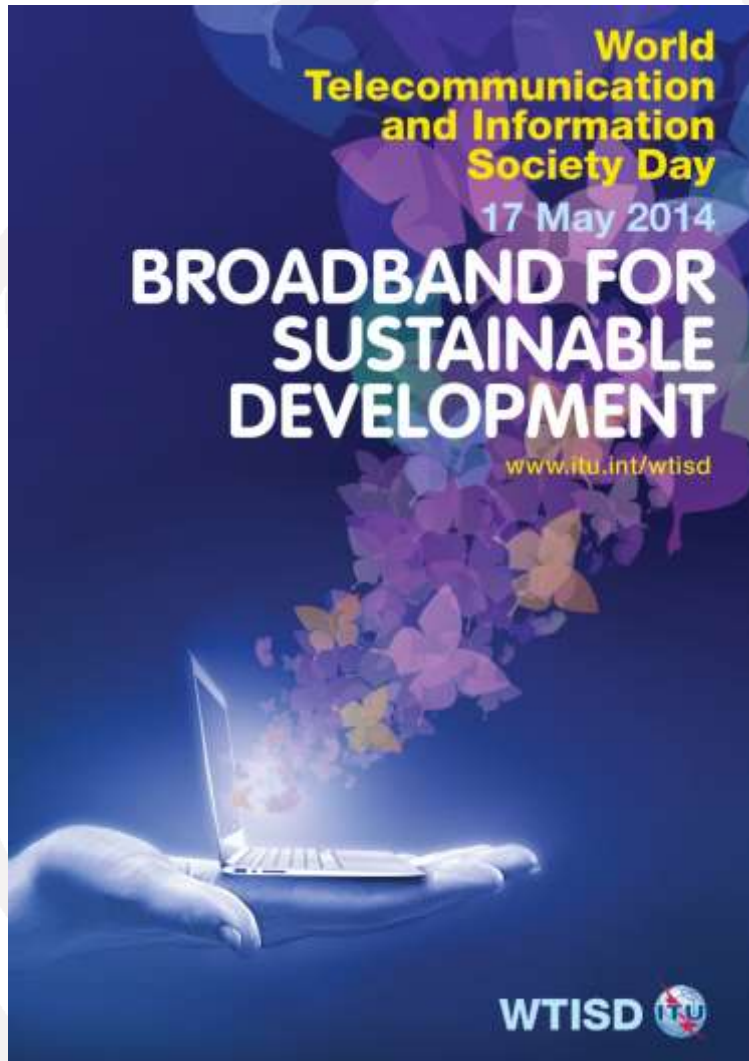
- ✓ Available at <http://www.itu.int/council/>



Supervisory Authority of the future international registration system for Space Assets under the Space Protocol

- ***Space Protocol***: instrument designed to facilitate asset-based financing* for the acquisition and use of space assets **(Adopted at the diplomatic Conference (Berlin, 2012))**
- ***Key Feature:***
 - *International registry for space assets*
 - *Independent Registrar*
 - *Supervisory Authority to oversee the application of the Space Protocol by the Registrar*
 - *Preparatory Commission for the establishment of the international registry pending the entry into force of the Protocol*
- ***ITU Council 2013 authorized:***
 - *ITU to express interest in becoming the Supervisory Authority*
 - *to participate to the Preparatory Commission*
- ***Planned Implementation:***
 - *Regulations for the international Registry (end-2014/early 2015)*
 - *Selection of the Registrar (2015)*
 - *Entry into force of the Protocol (2016-2017)*

*Asset-based financing: legal framework for a creditor to enforce its rights in the event of default by the debtor



WTISD-14 Theme

ITU was established on 17 May 1865

Theme for 2014: ***Broadband for Sustainable Development***

- Digital development is a transformative tool to fast-track sustainable development
- Broadband and ICTs are delivery vehicles for health, education, governance, trade and commerce to achieve sustainable socio-economic growth, ensuring a **better future for all.**



Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR)

- For more than a decade, GSR has brought together Heads of Regulatory Authorities from around the world
- It is the unique global annual venue for regulators to share their views and experiences on the most pressing regulatory issues
- Fostering a dynamic Global Regulators-Industry Dialogue (GRID) between regulators, policy makers, industry leaders and other key ICT stakeholders.
- GSR features debates and interactive panel discussions
- On the first 2 days, the GRID sessions are open to regulators, policy-makers and ITU-D sector members
- The last day, the Regulators' Day, remains exclusive for regulators and policy-makers
- GSR is preceded by a series of pre-events (industry events and the Regulatory Associations' meeting)

For more information : www.itu.int/treg



GSR14: Manama, Bahrain, 3-5 June 2014 :

Capitalizing on the potential of the digital world

Programme :

- Redefining responsibilities in a data driven digital world
- Changing ICT consumer behaviors: consumer empowerment & protection in the digital age
- Why competition matters
- Big data: an opportunity or a threat?
- Is it time to rethink spectrum licensing?
- Meeting the demand for capacity, are we getting there?
- New business models driven by digital communications and services
- Regulatory impact assessment: spurring regulatory efficiency
- Taking the regulatory model to the next level
- How to monitor broadband plan/digital agendas' implementation

GSR14 Outcomes

- ✓ Discussion Papers
- ✓ Best Practice Guidelines



6th ITU Kaleidoscope

- Academic conference, 3-5 June, Saint Petersburg: brings academia and industry together to look to the future
- Theme: Living in a converged world - impossible without standards?
- Academic membership category great success – 45 ITU-T members



WSIS+10

HIGH LEVEL EVENT

ITU Coordinated WSIS+10 High-Level Event
10-13 June 2014, ITU Headquarters
9 June – Pre-Events



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WSIS Overall Review: Background

- The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Outcome Documents and the **UN General Assembly Resolution 60/252** resolved to conduct an overall review of the implementation of the Summit outcomes in 2015.
- The modalities for the Overall Review were discussed at the 68th Session of the UN General Assembly. **Modalities are expected to be finalized by end of March 2014.**
- Following the guidance of its Membership (**PP-10 Resolution 172 and ITU Council Resolution 1334 (Mod. 2013)**), ITU has initiated the preparatory process leading towards the WSIS+10 High-Level Event to be held in June 2014.



WSIS+10 High-Level Event: Expected Outcomes

- 1) **WSIS+10 Statement on Implementation of WSIS Outcomes**
- 2) **WSIS+10 Vision for WSIS Beyond 2015**
under mandates of the participating agencies



Call for Actions

- **Submission of Request for Workshops, including Country Workshops:**
Deadline 17 March 2014
- **Registration:** Opening of the registration, link will be available soon:
www.wsis.org/forum
- **Acknowledging the Availability of High-level Representatives**
 - Ministers and Heads of States
 - Heads of Regulatory Authorities
 - Private Sector: CEOs
 - Civil Society Leaders
- **Contribution to the WSIS Fund in Trust**



2014
ITU Plenipotentiary Conference
PP-14

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PLENIPOTENTIARY 2014
BUSAN KOREA





PP is the global conference that will decide the future of ITU for the next 4 years

Supreme organ of ITU

Held every four years

Determines the general policies for fulfilling the purposes of the Union

Busan, Rep of Korea

20 Oct-7 Nov 2014



AGENDA

Convened every four years, the PP shall (ref. CS/Art 8):

- Determine general policies for fulfilling the purposes of the Union;
- Consider reports of the Council;
- Establish the strategic plan for the Union and the basis for the budget of the Union, and determine related financial limits;
- Establish the total number of contributory units for period up to next PP;
- Provide general directives dealing with staffing;
- Examine the accounts of the Union;
- Elect MS to serve on Council, SG, DSG, Directors of Bureaux of Sectors, and members of the RRB;
- Consider and adopt modifications to the CS/CV/GR;
- Conclude or revise agreements with international organizations ;
- Adopt and amend the General Rules of Conference, assemblies and meetings of the Union;
- Deal with such other telecommunication questions as may be necessary.



Elections

- PP elects:
 - Secretary-General; Deputy Secretary-General
 - Directors of the 3 Bureaux
 - 12 members of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB)
 - 48 Members of the ITU Council
- All candidatures must reach the Secretary-General not later than 23h59 (Geneva Time) on 28th day prior to the conference (Monday 22 September 2014), (ref. No. 170 of the GR)
- For Elected positions and RRB, candidature should be sent with Name, CV and picture of candidates to ppelections@itu.int
- All candidatures are posted on the website: www.itu.int/pp14/elections

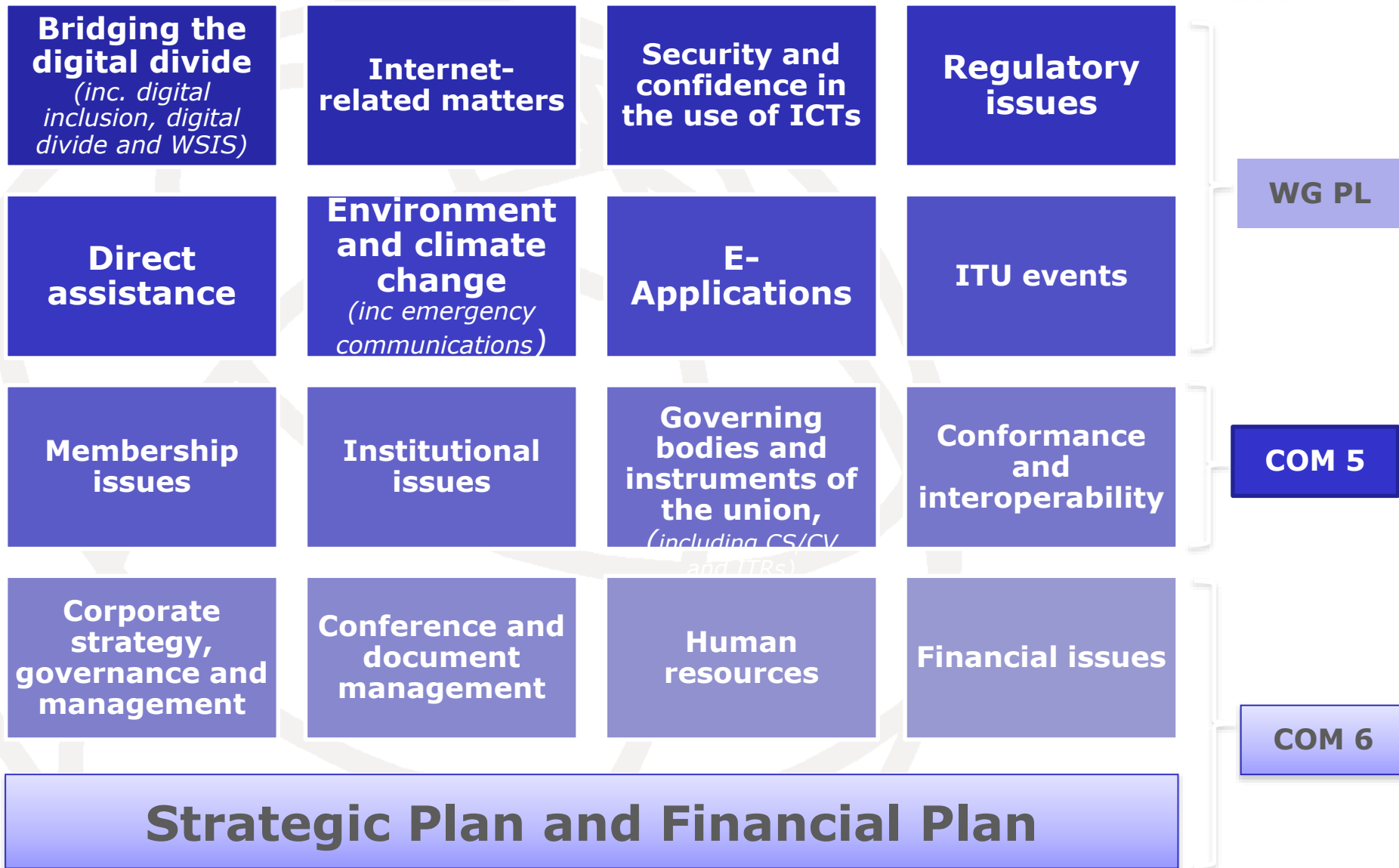


Proposed structure of the conference



Themes to be discussed within each committee

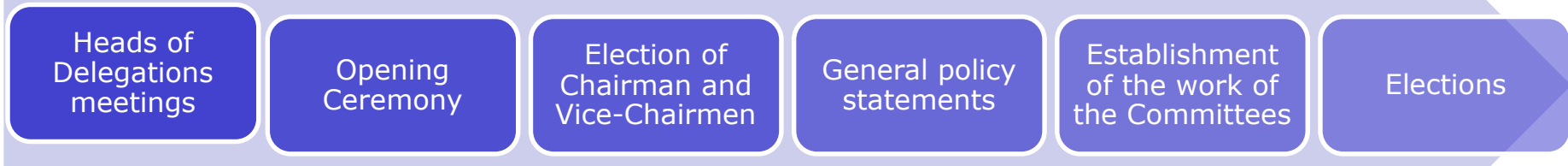
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Proposed timetable

Week 1



Week 2



Week 3





Deadlines

for submitting contributions

Proposals to amend CS
and CV

20 February 2014

(Ref: CS 224, CV 519 and Res. 114
(Marrakesh, 2002))

Other proposals for the
work of the conference

20 June 2014

(Ref: No. 40 of the General Rules)

And to ensure translation of
the document
NO LATER THAN

7 October 2014

(Ref: Res. 165 (Guadalajara, 2010))



Credentials

- Credentials should fulfill one of the following criteria:
 - Confer full power on the delegation;
 - Authorize the delegation to represent its government without restrictions;
 - Give the delegation, or certain members the right to sign the final Acts.
- Credentials should be signed by the Head of State, Head of Government, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Template is available at www.itu.int/pp14/registration



Registration

- Starting in June 2014 at www.itu.int/pp14/registration

Contacts

- For further support <http://www.itu.int/en/plenipotentiary/2014/Pages/contact.aspx>

Host country website

- Further information about Busan available at Host country website <http://www.itup2014.org/>



WTIS-14

12th World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Symposium

- Main global forum shaping the future direction of measuring the global information society
- High-level segment discussing emerging ICT trends
- Presentation and adoption of the results of the ITU Expert Groups (EGTI and EGH)
- More than 300 participants from over 80 countries
- End of **November 2014** (exact date and venue t.b.c. soon)



- **ITU Telecom World 2014 is a unique and essential conversation**

- **It is the leading platform for high-level debate, knowledge-sharing and networking for the global ICT community**
- ✓ Understanding the radical transformation of the industry
- ✓ Exploring the new realities of the future
- ✓ Debating policies, strategies, markets and models
- ✓ Inviting collaboration across sectors and borders
- ✓ Addressing the role of ICT in meeting critical world socio-economic challenges.

Confronting the Future – Key Conversations



- Exclusive Leadership Summit – interactive exploration of future industry developments and trends with digital visionaries; provide understanding and support decision-making process
- Forum Sessions:
 - Panel Debates
 - Keynotes
 - Ministerial Roundtables
 - Big Conversations
 - Sponsored Sessions
 - Workshops
 - Creative Conversations





Some key new standards:

- Video codec ITU-T H.265: double the efficiency of Primetime Emmy award winning H.264
- G.fast: provides broadband (<1Gb/s) over traditional copper telephone wires
- ITU-T H.810: interoperability for personal health systems
- ITU-T H.860: enables remote patient monitoring



Some key future standards:

- Smart water management (joint ITU/UNESCO Report recently published)
- Human exposure to electromagnetic fields: new database empowers consumers
- Intelligent Transport: joint car and ICT industries collaboration with ITU and UNECE on standards for autonomous cars



IPR

- 2012 Patent Roundtable debated whether existing IP systems stifle innovation
- TSB Director's IPR Group meeting today
- Meaning of reasonable in RAND
- Use of injunctions in context of Standards Essential Patents
- Non-discrimination



Youth and the UN

- Stepping up actions in response to Ban Ki-moon's call in 2012 to make 'working with and for women and young people' a key priority
- ITU sectors are supporting this call to action
- The UN Inter-Agency Network for Youth Development (IANYD) is preparing for the Post-2015 development agenda
- Process is being led by the UN Special Envoy for Youth: Mr Ahmad Alhendawi



Youth and the UN

- ITU is providing:
 - an online platform to crowdsource input to the global Post-2015 development agenda
 - direct technical and analytical support to UN System experts directly involved in the Post-2015 negotiations
- ITU is pleased to be involved in exploring ways to connect public sector institutions to citizens and constituents
- An excellent opportunity to engage citizens in public consultation and dialogue on the issues affecting them
- See <https://crowdsourcing.itu> for further information



Q&A

Presentation available at:

www.itu.int/missionscorner

