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The first section of the report describes the symposium and its specific objectives. The second section contains the programme that was followed over the five days of the event.

Section three presents the conclusions and recommendations, which constitute a valuable *aide-mémoire* of what has to be taken into account when preparing a telemedicine project in a developing country, in respect both of healthcare and the country's existing healthcare systems, and of technology and the country's telecommunication systems and information technology facilities.

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