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**ACCREDITATION OF NGOS, CIVIL SOCIETY AND**  
**BUSINESS SECTOR ENTITIES TO THE WORLD SUMMIT**  
**ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY**

**A. Civil Society Entities recommended by the Executive Secretariat for Accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Arab Publishers Association</b>
Address	P.O. Box 33 Panorama, Nasr City Egypt Tel.: +202 4033 399 Fax: +961 1 650886 <a href="mailto:arabpa@cyberia.net.lb">arabpa@cyberia.net.lb</a> <a href="http://www.arabpa.org">http://www.arabpa.org</a>
Constitution	1995
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The Arab Publishers Association is an independent association representing the Arab Publishers in the Arab and International arena. Its main goal is to develop the publishing industry in the Arab region and enforce the intellectual property rights and promoting freedom of expression, publishing, and reading.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Association des Journalistes Tunisiens</b>
Address	33 Av. H. Bourguiba, Tunis 1000 Tunisie Tel.: + 216 71 338 109 Fax: + 216 71 338 109 <a href="mailto:ajt@gnet.tn">ajt@gnet.tn</a> <a href="http://www.ajt.org.tn">http://www.ajt.org.tn</a>
Constitution	1962
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The objectives of the association are the defense and promotion of the rights of the journalists; the defense and promotion of the profession of journalist; the defense of the freedom of expression and the freedom in general. Activities: organization of workshops and seminars on the issues mentioned above.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Bibliotheca Alexandrina</b>
Address	P.O. Box 138 El Shatby Alexandria 21526 Egypt Tel.: +203 483 9999 Fax: +203 482 0458 <a href="mailto:secretariat@bibalex.org">secretariat@bibalex.org</a> <a href="http://www.bibalex.org">http://www.bibalex.org</a>
Constitution	2001
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The role of the Library of Alexandria, as the great Egyptian library with international dimensions, will focus on four main aspects that seek to recapture the spirit of the original ancient library of Alexandria. It aspires to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The world's window on Egypt</li> <li>- Egypt's window on the world</li> <li>- A leading institution of the digital age</li> <li>- A centre for learning, tolerance, dialogue and understanding</li> </ul>

<b>4.</b>	<b>Committee to Protect Journalists</b>
Address	330 7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, 11 <sup>th</sup> Floor, New York 10001 USA Tel.: +1 212 465 1004 Fax: +1 212 465 9568 <a href="mailto:Info@cpj.org">Info@cpj.org</a> , <a href="mailto:mstern@cpj.org">mstern@cpj.org</a> <a href="http://www.cpj.org">http://www.cpj.org</a>
Constitution	1981
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) is an independent, non-profit organization. It promotes press and media freedom worldwide by defending the rights of journalists to report the news without fear of reprisal. CPJ warns journalists and news organizations where attacks on press freedom are occurring. CPJ organizes vigorous public protests and works through diplomatic channels to affect the change.

<b>5.</b>	<b>Comprehensive Dialogue among Civilizations (CDAC)</b>
Address	100, rue de la Servette, CH-1202 Geneva Switzerland Tel.: +41 22 734 4805, +41 79 412 065 Fax: +41 22 734 4804 <a href="mailto:dialogue@civilizations.ch">dialogue@civilizations.ch</a> <a href="http://www.comprehensivedialogue.org">http://www.comprehensivedialogue.org</a>
Constitution	2003
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The aim of CDAC is to encourage a multi-cultural and inter-religious as well as political and diplomatic dialogue between countries, regions and population groups as a contribution to mutual understanding, tolerance and respect for diversity. It has established a Research and Information Center in Geneva. It works for the project 'Culture and Rules of Dialogue' to develop a practical tool to approach current issues such as IT topics.

<b>6.</b>	<b>Economic Research Forum</b>
Address	7 Boulous Hanna Street, Dokki, Cairo Egypt Tel.: +202 337 0810 or +202 748 5553 Fax: +202 761 6042 <a href="mailto:erf@erf.org.eg">erf@erf.org.eg</a> <a href="http://www.erf.org.eg">http://www.erf.org.eg</a>
Constitution	1992
Brief summary of purpose and activities	ERF is an independent, non-government, nonprofit organization, which provides a platform for a wide range of views. Its three main objectives, production of quality research, informing the policy debate, and building capacity for front-line research – have as their ultimate goal the creation of a strong MENA (Middle East and North Africa) research community that interacts with the policy communities of the region and the international community of researchers and development agents. The aim is to foster economic growth with equity and the effective integration of the region into the world economy.

<b>7.</b>	<b>Finnish Virtual University</b>
Address	FVU Service Unit, P.O. Box 1100, FI-02015 HUT, Finland Tel.: +358 9 451 4027 Fax: +358 9 451 4045 <a href="mailto:svy-sihteeristo@fvu.fi">svy-sihteeristo@fvu.fi</a> <a href="http://www.virtualuniversity.fi">http://www.virtualuniversity.fi</a>
Constitution	2001
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The Finnish Virtual University (FVU) is a partnership of all 21 Finnish universities. Together, the universities provide services that help students to find more flexible ways to study, and university staff to make use of new educational technologies. It aims to support the development of competence and quality in multiform and online education in Finnish universities, as well as to promote the co-operative production of education by academic subject networks combining the resources of researchers and teachers at different universities.

<b>8.</b>	<b>National Council for Woman</b>
Address	1113 Corniche El-Nil, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, P.O. Box 11625, Cairo Egypt Tel.: +202 574 7758 or +202 574 8708 Fax: +202 574 9472 or +202 574 9364 <a href="mailto:ncw@ncwegypt">ncw@ncwegypt</a> <a href="http://www.ncwegypt.com">http://www.ncwegypt.com</a>
Constitution	2000
Brief summary of purpose and activities	The creation of the Council is a consequence of the national and international developments and challenges. So far, womens' participation in public life remains limited. This is due to a number of socio-economic and cultural factors that would tend to create a bias against females in some aspects of life, establishing thus a gender gap. Therefore, a mechanism was cerated in Egypt that is responsible for developing and implementing a general strategy for women, aiming at narrowing the gender gaps and eliminating its causes.

<b>9.</b>	<b>Resala Organization</b>
Address	5 Mansy Yasin St. off 209 Faisal St., Tawabek Station Egypt Tel.: +202 744 2003 or +202 744 2002 Fax: + <a href="mailto:webmaster@resala.org">webmaster@resala.org</a> <a href="http://www.resala.org">http://www.resala.org</a>
Constitution	1999
Brief summary of purpose and activities	Resala started wit a group of young active individuals from the faculty of engineering in Cairo University. Their main goal is helping others and spreading the culture of volunteerism. Its projects comprize ICT for Illiteracy Eradication conjointly with the Ministry of ICT, the UNDPm and an Italian Cooperation, that is, preparing literacy classes using computers and teaching the illiterate. Computers courses are also set up for disabled people. Resala has variois branches in diffrent areas in Cairo as well as in Alexandria.

<b>10.</b>	<b>Salesforce. com/foundation</b>
Address	Landmark Building, One Market Plaza, Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94105 USA Tel.: +1 415 901 5606 Fax: +1 415 358 4304 <a href="mailto:swright@salesforce.com">swright@salesforce.com</a> <a href="http://www.salesforce.com/foundation">http://www.salesforce.com/foundation</a>
Constitution	2000
Brief summary of purpose and activities	Salesforce. com/foundation facilitates success in the community through volunteerism, through technology-based programs for youth and non-profit organization and through donations of the salesforce.com on line CRM service. It is a public charity. Its purpose is to ensure the NGO's success of globally as well as to facilitate the philanthropic endeavours of the salesforce.com employees around the world.

<b>11.</b>	<b>Siwa Association for Development Environment Conservation (SCDEC)</b>
Address	SCDEC, siwa Oasis, Sidi Reham Buildings Egypt Tel.: +204 646 00010 Fax: +204 646 00010 <a href="mailto:Brayzee2000@yahoo.com">Brayzee2000@yahoo.com</a>
Constitution	2001
Brief summary of purpose and activities	SCDEC is managing the smart schools project in the Oasis of Siwa. It plays the role of a catalyst to introduce ICT tools in education with a vision to use them as possible tools not only to enhance the educational and teaching methods within the school itself but to improve the quality of life of its surrounding community. NGO management proved to be a viable model to manage smart schools in remote and deprived areas where there is no tangible business opportunity for private companies management. SCDEC is also creating illiteracy eradication classes using Multimedia CDs for in-house use by Siwan women.

<b>12.</b>	<b>Tour de France des Territoires (TFT)</b>
Address	130, Route de Bordeaux, 16400 La Couronne France Tel.: + 33 873 05 04 69 Fax: + 33 5 45 67 04 69 <a href="mailto:denis.marion@wtis.org">denis.marion@wtis.org</a> <a href="http://www.wtis.org">http://www.wtis.org</a>
Constitution	2003
Brief summary of purpose and activities	Promotion and understanding of the Information Society from a local and regional authority's perspective. Creation of networks with actors of information society to build an "observatory" in the form of meetings and events related to the Information Society and the Internet. Aim is to inform about the WSIS politics on ICTs, to provide requested content for different studies, to build a database of local initiatives and WSIS events and to write publications.

**B. Business Sector Entities recommended by the Executive Secretariat for Accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society**

<b>1.</b>	<b>SOFTEX – Associação para Promoção da Excelência do Software Brasileiro</b> <a href="http://www.softex.br">http://www.softex.br</a>
Address	Caixa Postal 6123 – Cep: 13083-970 Campinas – SP Brazil Tel.: +55 21 19 3287 7060 Fax: +55 21 19 3287 7150 Email: <a href="mailto:geral@nac.softex.br">geral@nac.softex.br</a>
Constitution	SOFTEX Society was established in 2000.
Brief summary of purpose and activities	<p>The Society is responsible for the administration of the SOFTEX Program, one of the most important instruments for supporting the production and marketing of Brazilian Software. Its activities have the purpose of promoting competition in the Software industry, Internet and Electronic Business in the country, as well as the availability of personnel qualified for the sector. The SOFTEX Society is represented in most of the Brazilian territory by means of a network of Regional Agents. Besides local offices, some agents have contacts in the principal technology markets of the world, which function as foreign entrances for Brazilian companies.</p> <p>SOFTEX is an official member of the Ministerial Group on the Information Society related to the Ministry of External Relations (GISI/MRE) created by a Brazilian President decree. The objective of such a Group is to discuss and realize meetings or events related to World Summit on the Information Society.</p>