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### C11. International and Regional Cooperation

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*Recognizing the central role of international and regional cooperation for development for the development of inclusive Information Society as well as the efforts dedicated towards implementation of WSIS Outcomes, in particular related to Action Line C11, since 2003 significant progress has been achieved and several emerging trends and challenges have been identified.*

*Following provides guidance and priorities for implementation of WSIS Action Line C11 beyond 2015.*

1. Promote **regional coordination at all levels of the Internet ecosystem**: infrastructure, management of the Internet traffic, content creation, applications and systems creation.
2. Develop a **coordinated approach on regional issues** of common concern among member countries such as in the areas of international telecommunication, Internet governance and the digital content.
3. Foster further **cooperation amongst International organisations**, making the most of their respective expertise and remit for the benefit of all nations and peoples, taking into account specific roles and responsibilities of actors of the current ICT ecosystem.
4. Encourage creation of **international projects** participated in by several countries

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5. Foster **cross-sectoral collaboration**.
6. Further promote the **inclusive and open multistakeholder** model that has evolved where governments, industry, civil society, the technical community and academia interacts on an equal footing.
7. **Ensure** increased focus on supporting the engagement by developing countries in the multistakeholder organizations, and in national and regional forums, so that developing countries to benefit from the expertise and best-practice of the multistakeholder organizations.
8. Encourage organization of **regional and international conferences focusing on ICTs**, as they facilitate creation of multi-partner cooperative initiatives as well as are a major contributory factor in more effectively addressing shared problems such as tackling cybercrime and also ensuring that Internet-related public policymaking keeps pace with innovation and rapid technology change.
9. Strengthen the **cooperation between different ICT stakeholders** in the region and among national, regional and international institutions to boost the transformation of the society using ICT.
10. Encourage Governments to take more bold steps to **advance cooperation** between the countries in the ICT4D field.
11. Foster development of **regional and international strategies** improving access to and use of ICT in developing countries, enabling environment, facilitating measurement of ICTs for development with focus on e-government indicators worldwide.
12. Attract the **attention of regional funds** to indulge into funding ICT-related projects and initiatives, especially those of regional nature, on the grounds that ICT is a key player in generating growth and providing youth with employment opportunities.
13. Foster implementation of international projects on ICT and bridge digital divide, including those financed within the framework of the **Official Development Assistance**.
14. Promote establishment of **regional e-government Councils** composed of heads of e-government programs in order to provide a platform for cooperation and exchange of know-how and expertise.
15. Develop a **cross-border Internet Exchange Points (IXP)** that service the region and help lower the cost of internet traffic.
16. Foster **regional integration of IXPs** on the level of the regions.
17. Encourage regional collaboration on the **Peaceful Use of Outer Space**.
18. Step up the use of **internationally agreed ICT indicators**.

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19. Foster international cooperation in the area of **ICT measurement** to avoid duplication of efforts and maximize the usage of resources.
20. Encourage collection as well as responsible and ethical use of real **Internet data** to guide policy makers and decision makers.
21. Promote programmes and projects focusing on **ICT indicators**.
22. Foster the **exchange of experiences and good practices** between the various stakeholders and expert groups (including the collaboration platform, intra-and inter-regional conferences, seminars, trainings, twinning, exchanges of experts, study visits).
23. Encourage countries to fill, add and update their **entries in the WSIS Stocktaking** to reflect the progress made in building the information society, as the knowledge and experiences of stakeholders from developing countries will enhance future outputs from the multistakeholder organizations, adding to the know-how of the international community.
24. Encourage engagement of **developing countries in the implementation** of the WSIS outcomes.
25. Increase awareness and **build capacity on existing cooperation mechanisms** in order to make them easier to understand and engage with.
26. Addressing **developmental requirements with respect to the DNS sector**, foster development and implementation of regional strategies, especially in Africa, the Middle East and Latin America.
27. Encourage all stakeholders to work together to ensure an **open internet, the free flow of data and the avoidance of trade protectionism**, as an increasing portion of world commerce is conducted on the internet and/or is dependent on the free flow of data and an open internet.
28. Encourage **enhanced co-operation** on intra- and inter-regional level between both public authorities and private entities
29. Enhance the cooperation on the related programs on the utilization of ICT tools for enabling **gender equality, disabilities and indigenous groups**.
30. Foster creation of ICT-based services using **mobile communications services**.

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