Open Consultation for WSIS+10 HLE
7 October 2013
ITU Headquarters
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 are expected to be developed in the 68th Session of the UN General Assembly.

• 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 April 2014.
WSIS+10 High Level Event

• The WSIS+10 High-Level Event will be an extended version of the WSIS Forum to:
  – address the progress made in the implementation of the WSIS outcomes related to the WSIS Action Lines under mandates of the participating agencies
  – provide a platform for multi-stakeholder coordination of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes, with involvement and participation of all WSIS action line facilitators, other UN agencies and all WSIS stakeholders.
Objectives

• The WSIS+10 High-Level Event will review the WSIS Outcomes (2003 and 2005), in particular, related to the Action Lines with a view to developing proposals on a new vision beyond 2015, potentially also exploring new targets.

• The meeting will be organized taking into account decisions of the 68th Session of the UN General Assembly.
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
Preparatory Process
Multistakeholder Preparatory Platform
www.wsis.org/review

• Open and inclusive, multistakeholder consultation process in six phases with engagement of all UN Agencies mandated to facilitate implementation of the WSIS Outcomes
• Three physical meetings with remote participation
• Ongoing online consultations based on formal submissions and online discussions
• Background and input documents for reference
Preparatory Process
Background Documents
www.wsis.org/review

WSIS+10 Visioning Challenge
WSIS Forum 2013 Outcome Document
2012 & 2013 Identifying Emerging Trends and a vision beyond 2015
WSIS+10 Event: Towards Knowledge Societies for Peace and Sustainable Development: Final Statement
Measuring the Information Society Report 2013 (official launch on 7 October 2013)
## WSIS+10: Preparatory Process
Multistakeholder Preparatory Platform

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Preparatory Process
Call for Action: Open Consultation Process

Invitation letter in 6 UN Languages:
Invitation to Contribute to the Open Consultation Process

• Input on Form#1: Inputs towards
  1. Draft WSIS+10 Statement on the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes
  2. Draft WSIS+10 Vision for WSIS Beyond 2015 under mandates of participating agencies

• Input on Form#2: Inputs towards Format and Thematic Aspects
Form One: Around 50 Contributions

- **Governments (19):** Argentina, Bulgaria, Egypt, El Salvador, Iran, Japan, Morocco, Oman, Lithuania, Nigeria, Poland, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, United Kingdom, UAE, Uruguay, USA
- **Civil Society (11) and Academia (1):** Belgium, Brazil, India, Netherlands, Sudan, South Africa, Switzerland, USA
- **Private Sector (5):** China, France, USA
- **International Organizations (12):** All Facilitators of the Action Lines
Form Two: Around 50 Contributions

- Recommendation of Speakers
- Expression of interest for organization of thematic and country
- Knowledge exchange and exhibition
- Key thematic aspects for HLE
- Innovative suggestions on the format
### Skeleton of the WSIS+10 HLE

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Preparatory Process
Call for Action: 10 Year’s Country Reports

10 Year’s Country Reports

Invitation letter in 6 UN Languages:

• Objective of Country Reports
  • Self-evaluation of 10 year achievements
  • Reference in the WSIS+10 Statement
  • Background Document at Country Workshops at the WSIS+10 High-Level Event
  • Integral part of the WSIS Stocktaking Process

• Deadlines
  – a draft version of the report to the First Physical Preparatory Meeting of the WSIS+10 High–Level Event (7-8 October 2013);
    • Received submissions from: Rwanda and Poland
  – a final version of the report to the Second Physical Meeting of the WSIS+10 High–Level Event (16-17 December 2013).
Preparatory Process

Call for Action: Quantitative Assessment

- The ITUs ICT Data and Statistics Division continues to play a leading facilitation role in the Partnership on the Measuring the ICTs for Development.
- A metadata questionnaire was coordinated by the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development, and was sent in October 2012 to countries by the Regional Commissions. This questionnaire aims at collecting information on data availability for the WSIS Target indicators as outlined in the *Measuring the WSIS Targets - A statistical framework publication*.
- A full data collection of the actual data for each of the WSIS Target indicators is being conducted.
- The data collected in 2013 will be used to prepare the *final quantitative Assessment Report on the Achievements of the WSIS Targets*, to be launched on the occasion of the WSIS+10 High-Level Event in 2014 (http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/intlcoop/partnership/followup.asp)
Preparatory Process
Call for Action

WSIS Stocktaking Process
www.wsis.org/stocktaking
(1st December 2013)

  – The sixth edition of the WSIS Stocktaking Report is the continuation of the WSIS Stocktaking Report series and will be prepared for WSIS+10 High-Level Event and Forum 2014.
  – The WSIS Stocktaking Report 2014 will also be shared with ITU-D study Groups in the elaboration of Output Reports and will be submitted as the contribution to the 17th session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD).

• WSIS Stocktaking: Regional Reports. Deadline: 1st December 2013
  – The propose of regional reports is to serve as the information document for ITU-D Regional Development Forums (RDF) and Regional Preparatory Meeting in order to provide the examples of activities related to the implementation of WSIS outcomes in the region and to enrich discussions related to the overall review on the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and upcoming WSIS+10 High Level Event.
WSIS Project Prizes 2014: www.wsis.org/prizes

- WSIS Project Prizes is a unique recognition for excellence in the implementation of WSIS outcomes.

- The WSIS Project Prizes 2014 contest (www.wsis.org/prizes2014) provides a platform to identify and showcase success stories and models that could be easily replicated; empower communities at the local level; give a chance to all stakeholders working on WSIS to participate in the contest, and particularly recognize the efforts of stakeholders for their added value to the society and commitment towards achieving WSIS goals.

Launch on 5th September 2013 / Deadline: 1st November 2013
Preparatory Process
Call for Action: Regional Level

• Within the framework of the Regional Preparatory Process towards the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2014 (WTDC-14), ITU is in the process of collecting regional views on the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and WSIS+10. Series of Regional Development Forums (RDF) held back to back with six WTDC Regional Preparatory Meetings will reinforce this exercise.
  – Submitted Reports: Asia-Pacific, Africa, Americas, CIS
  – Inputs to come: Arab States and Europe

• Importance of regional activities, relevant to the WSIS+10 process
  – ECLAC: IV Ministerial Conference (April 2013, Uruguay)
  – UNECA: Workshop on WSIS process (February, Ethiopia)
  – ESCWA: WSIS+10 Regional Meeting for Arab States (November, Tunisia)
  – ECA: WSIS+10 Regional Meeting for Africa (November, Tunisia)
  – Tunisia: ICT4All Forum and Exhibition (November, Tunisia)
  – Others

• The outcomes of all regional meetings are submitted to the preparatory process and documented in the WSIS+10 Visioning Challenge.
Preparatory Process

Link between WSIS and Post 2015 Development Agenda

• Taking into account ongoing dialogue on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (MDG Review Process) and WSIS+10 review process it is important to note the possible interaction between both processes to ensure that efforts across the UN System are coherent, connected and coordinated to achieve maximum, sustainable impact.

• ICTs are key enablers of development, and are critical components of innovative development solutions.

• The recent joint statement of the UN Group on the Information Society on the Post 2015 Development Agenda draws attention to the above and is available at www.ungis.org.
Preparatory Process

Call for Action

• All WSIS Stakeholders are encouraged to engage in the preparatory process
  – submitting written inputs to the open consultations on the WSIS+10 High-Level Event using the online questionnaires (www.wsis.org/review) ➔ DEADLINE: 30 SEPTEMBER
  – participating actively in all physical meetings onsite or in a remote manner; ➔ 1st MEETING: 7-8 OCT
  – responding to the WSIS Stocktaking questionnaire on the on-going activities related to WSIS implementation (www.wsis.org/stocktaking) ➔ DEADLINE: 1st DECEMBER
  – and nominating the projects for the international contest of WSIS Project Prizes 2014 (www.wsis.org/stocktaking and www.wsis.org/prizes) ➔ DEADLINE: 1st NOVEMBER

• The Member States are in addition invited to
  – provide 10 Years country reports based on the templates agreed by multistakeholder consensus, to the first physical preparatory meeting of the WSIS+10 open consultations in a draft form and the final versions to the second at the latest (www.wsis.org/review): ➔ DEADLINES: 4 OCT and 12 DEC
  – respond to the WSIS Targets survey that will be conducted between July and September 2013 by the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development (http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/intlcoop/partnership/followup.aspx): ➔ DEADLINES: SEPTEMBER

• The Facilitators of the WSIS Action Lines were invited to
  – provide 10 Years Action Line reports based on the templates agreed by multistakeholder consensus (www.wsis.org/review); ➔ ➔ DEADLINES: 4 OCT and 12 DEC
WSIS+10: Preparatory Process
First Physical Meeting

• 7-8 October 2013, Geneva
• Chair and Vice-Chairs: Russia, Egypt, Switzerland, Saudi Arabia
• Remote Participation Facilities
• All WSIS Action Line Facilitators
• Background Documents
• Draft Agenda
  – 10 Year Implementation Country Reports
  – 10 Year Implementation Reports by Action Lines
  – Launch of the Report on Measuring the Information Society
  – First Reading of the Zero Draft of the Outcome Documents
Preparatory Process: Starting Point

ZERO DRAFT of STATEMENT and WSIS+10 VISION

Official Submissions
30 September 2013
www.wsis.org/review/mpp

Regional Outcomes
10 Year Reports
(Countries / Action Lines)

WSIS+10 Visioning Challenge
WSIS Forum 2013 Outcome Document
2012 & 2013 Identifying Emerging Trends and a vision beyond 2015
Towards Knowledge Societies for Peace and Sustainable Development: Final Statement
Principles for development of inputs to the Zero Drafts of Outcomes

- Focus on the WSIS Action Lines and measurement of their implementation.
- We develop a vision upon existing framework of Action Lines, identifying emerging trends, challenges and priorities for new decade, without making existing framework of Action Lines obsolete.
- Geneva Declaration and Geneva Plan of Action still remain valid until further decisions by General Assembly.
- No proposals related to the change of implementation mechanism, responsibilities, internet governance, including IGF, enhanced cooperation, CSTD etc.
- No prejudging the outcomes of the 68th Session of the GA on modalities of the Overall Review. Respect towards mandates given by Tunis and respect for the multistakeholderism.
A. THE MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS

The main achievements in the area of the information society, in particular, in the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines, in the past ten years

B. THE KEY IDENTIFIED CHALLENGES

The key identified challenges that would need to be addressed in the next 10 years

C. TOWARDS DIGITAL INCLUSION

Our vision for an information/knowledge society ensuring the digital inclusion of youth, women, poor, persons with disabilities and indigenous peoples for their social and economic empowerment

INPUTS

Inputs extracted from the Submissions received during the Open Consultation Process for the Draft WSIS+10 Statement on the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes

A. PREAMBLE

Preamble

B. PRIORITY AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WSIS BEYOND 2015.

Priority areas to be addressed in the implementation of WSIS Beyond 2015.

C. ACTION LINES

C1. The role of public governance authorities and all stakeholders in the promotion of ICTs for development

C2. Information and communication infrastructure

C3. Access to information and knowledge

C4. Capacity building

C5. Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs

C6. Enabling environment

C7. ICT applications: benefits in all aspects of life

E-government

E-business

E-learning

E-health

E-employment

E-environment

E-agriculture

E-science

C8. Cultural diversity and identity, linguistic diversity and local content

C9. Media

C10. Ethical dimensions of the Information Society

C11. International and regional cooperation

D. ACCOUNTABILITY, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Accountability of the WSIS Action Lines beyond 2015 (Targets and Indicators for an open and inclusive information/knowledge society for all beyond 2015)
Thank you for your attention!

For more information do not hesitate to
- Consult www.wsis.org/review
- Contact wsis-info@itu.int

WSIS+10
HIGH-LEVEL EVENT
Sharm el- Sheikh, Egypt
13-17 April 2014