



WSIS PARALLEL EVENT

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"Measuring the Information Society"

WSIS follow-up: ICT indicators for monitoring and evaluation

- 09:30 - 10:15** **Opening and keynotes**
- 10:15 - 11:30** **Core ICT indicators for monitoring and evaluation**
- 11:30 - 11:50 Coffee break
- 11:50 - 13:15** **ICT indicators in education and government**
- 13:15 - 14:30 Lunch break
- 14:30 - 15:30** **Measuring the impact of ICT on development**
- 15:30 - 16:45** **Development assistance and the way forward**
- 16:45 - 17:00** **Closing session**



Tuesday, 15 November 2005

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Kram Center, Room "Le Kram"

English and French interpretation

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With the huge interest in the Information Society and the benefits it can bring, countries are looking at how they will measure progress towards their own Information Society. This global event will bring together ICT stakeholders at national, regional and international levels:

- To present a set of core statistical indicators agreed by key international agencies working in the field.
- To debate the importance of measuring the information society for ICT policy making and development in areas such as education, government and health.
- To illustrate the contribution of ICT measurement to the follow-up of WSIS.

PANELISTS and CHAIRS

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ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED

- In response to the WSIS Plan of Action, significant follow-up work has been undertaken to enable monitoring of progress toward an information society. **What has been accomplished so far in improving measurement of the Information Society?**
- A very important achievement is an internationally comparable set of indicators for the information society, which was agreed upon at the WSIS Thematic Meeting in Geneva (7-9 February 2005). **What are the core ICT indicators for monitoring and evaluation and which new indicators could be added in the future?**
- **How relevant is ICT measurement for effective policymaking and the MDGs?** Participants will be provided with concrete examples illustrating some of the efforts underway to benchmark and monitor ICT use and its impact on development.
- During the Geneva Phase of WSIS it was recognized that capacity building in developing countries would require a concerted effort at national, regional and international levels involving many stakeholders. **What needs to be done to enhance capacity building activities? How would such programmes look?**

For more information see <http://measuring-ict.unctad.org>