*WSIS Forum 2018OUTCOME DOCUMENT*

**Template for Submission of Executive Summaries for**

**Thematic/Country Workshop/ Action Line Facilitation Meetings/ Interactive Sessions/ High Level Dialogues/Publication Releases/Briefings**

**Deadline: Thursday 22 March, 2018**
*Exception: For sessions on Friday 23March, please send at the latest 2 hours after the session*
*Please note that the WSIS Forum 2018 Outcome Document will be released on the 23rd of March*
*(the last day of the Forum)*

1) **Title of your session**
   Building information foundation for knowledge societies in China
2) **Name of Organization/s organizing the session**
   Posts and Telecom Press
3) **Relevance with the WSIS Action Lines – please specify the Action lines C1 to C11**
   C2. Information and communication infrastructure
   C3 .Access to information and knowledge
   C5. Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs
   C7 ICT Applications: E-government
   C7. ICT Applications: E-business
   C7. ICT Applications: E-learning
   C7. ICT Applications: E-environment
4) **Key achievements, announcements, launches, agreements, and commitments (these will be reflected in the press release and Outcomes Document of the WSIS Forum 2018)**
   In the forum, we presented what kind of ICT achievements have been made in the fast years and we are carrying on forward. The content includes how to connect unconnected areas and vulnerable groups through construction of communication infrastructure. Moreover, building confidence in using ICT is also concerned by all levels of stakeholders in China's whole country. In this case, we shared experiences and achievements in protecting harassment or fraud calls, which not include the scheme and practice, but about how can we promote it into other areas or countries with the same situations. How 5G can boost the development of industry and its use case in different fields in China have been revealed. Moreover, the fundamental function of 5G which was specified by the Government has been explained.
   Furthermore, the workshop also clarified and outlined how ICT is deeply influencing Chinese society, include influences on education, biodiversity, express delivery and etc. These include

how China is working on building a bridge between the left behind children and ICT solutions for migrant workers. A smart solution for the Government to supervise the express delivery and biodiversity has also been introduced.

The workshop aims to reflect Chinese ICT achievements in different fields, and also aims to show how China is working on the realization of SDGs through ICT means. Moreover, these innovations are also laying the foundation for China's knowledge society.

5) **Main outcomes highlighting the following:**

    I.    **Debated Issues**

- Please capture highlights of the main issues debated and interactions with audience

  How China Mobile is helping the Government in working on bridging the education divide between poverty areas and cities.

  The host and one audience questioned that the online education platform requires lots of software and hardware criteria, and the solution looks similar to other same like solutions.

- Please highlight key achievements and challenges shared by the audience and/ or panelists

  China Mobile has achieved 70,000 new base stations and completed nearly 200,000 village access tasks, and the platform has enabled more than 20 million left-behind children to enjoy online learning with computers through the education line and the 4G network.

  The problem is that how to better cover the whole country through the system and how to further implement the communication service, vocational skills training and reemployment for the public and vulnerable groups. Most importantly, the problem of how to better transport these achievements and ideas into other countries and how to exchange ideas and cooperation in the global scale is also being considered.

    II.    **Quotes**

- Please provide two important quotes from the session and the names & organization of the person you are quoting

  <span style="color:red">Through a mobile phone, we solve the problem of information asymmetry in poverty alleviation——Kang li, China Mobile Online Services Co., Ltd.</span>

  <span style="color:green">Information accessibility means that anyone, whether healthy or disabled, whether young or old, can obtain information and use information equally, conveniently and without obstacles under any circumstances. ——Jing Chen, Information Accessibility Research Association</span>

III. **Overall outcomes of the session highlighting**
- main conclusions reached during the discussion
  The mixture of ICT and different fields is obviously happening in China, and the informationization foundation for knowledge society is being laid in a daily basis. However, how to better expand the influence and coverage of this kind of practical usages still needs to be considered. Moreover, how to better foster these achievements in a global basis and how to overcome technical and policy difficulties in the process should also be figured out.
- the vision for implementation of WSIS Action lines beyond 2015
  Through new technologies and the deep mixture of ICT with other fields, China is working on carry out more practical cases in the perspective of WSIS Actions Lines. Under this foundation, China will explore more integration on ICT and industry to better fulfill the WSIS Action Lines.

IV. **Main linkages with the Sustainable Development Goals**
The topics discussed in this workshop gave insights to promoting SDG in China, including standpoints on how to bridge the digital divide through infrastructure construction; themes on how to better utilize international cooperation to foster the realization of SDG; detailed information on how ICT impacts on different fields in China, which finally results in the realization of SDG.
This workshop thus not only gives views on the development of ICT in China from policy to practice, but also gave standpoints on how to better prepare China for the realization of SDG.

V. **Emerging Trends related to WSIS Action Lines identified during the meeting**

China is now greatly working on bridging the digital gap in poverty areas in China and is helping less-educated and vulnerable groups access to ICT.

**Suggestions for Thematic Aspects that might be included in the WSIS Forum 2019**
How to better introduce national ICT standards and policies to other countries to reach a global consensus and how global ICT standards can better fit into different situations in different countries should be discussed.
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