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## **WSIS Forum 2018 OUTCOME 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 23 March, please send at the latest 2 hours after the session**

*Please note that the WSIS Forum 2018 Outcome Document will be released on the **23<sup>rd</sup> of March** (the last day of the Forum)*

- 1) **Title of your session**  
“Social interpreter: ICT literacy, languages, migrations”
- 2) **Name of Organization/s organizing the session**  
SEMANTIS
- 3) **Relevance with the WSIS Action Lines – please specify the Action lines C1 to C11**  
Action Lines C2, C3, C10
- 4) **Key achievements, announcements, launches, agreements, and commitments (these will be reflected in the press release and Outcomes Document of the WSIS Forum 2018)**  
**Initial & preliminary remarks made at the session:**
  - The Semantis WS covered migrations and diasporas issues in relation with ICT access and usage. As it was the only session to discuss these aspects did WSIS consider the matter not relevant or not enough documented at international level?
  - It seemed also that the future deployment of new network architecture (ex: RINA environment) was not a priority for WSIS FORUM 2018. Participants considered these researches and open specifications for new network standards essential for economic and social development in order to achieve an “Internet for all”.
- 5) **Main outcomes highlighting the following:**
  - I. **Debated Issues**
    - Please capture highlights of the main issues debated and interactions with audience
    - ICT as a major vector for integration of migrants in society through social work and cooperative set up.



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- Distributed network architecture will be highly beneficial for development, local business and education. Moreover content diffusion in local and native multiple languages will benefit from an open distributed architecture.
- Measures to enhance Cybersecurity have a social impact and should be conceived and implemented following a democratic process.
  - Please highlight key achievements and challenges shared by the audience and/ or panelists  
To set up a specific platform of exchange on WSIS achievements for migrants and diasporas communities.  
ICT as a social innovation scheme to be implemented through MDP and Semantis projects.

## II. Quotes

- Please provide two important quotes from the session and the names & organization of the person you are quoting  
Louis Pouzin, Eurolinc “After 40 years...flagrant obsolescence and deficiencies of the current Internet architecture”.  
Didier Van der Meer, Director MDP “Social economy rely on ICT developments”

## III. Overall outcomes of the session highlighting

- main conclusions reached during the discussion  
Semantis, Le Monde des Possibles, ECOSOC accredited NGO, will further liaise with UN Institutions and Organizations to promote the role of migrants and of social economy in the ICT sphere.
- the vision for implementation of WSIS Action lines beyond 2015  
Be open to the new internets protocols and usages, more inclusive, more ethical.

## IV. Main linkages with the Sustainable Development Goals

**ICT social actors, interpreters from migrations and diasporas, lead to gender equality and dignity. Effective multilinguism on the internet is key to a quality and inclusive education for all. New internets will be a more resilient architecture.**

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

**See above, the emergence of new social & technical standards for distributed network architecture.**



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## VI. Suggestions for Thematic Aspects that might be included in the WSIS Forum 2019

- Migrations and diasporas worldwide in relation with Tunis Agenda.
- ICT as a main drive for social innovation.
- Progress in deployment and in public access to new network architecture/
- Cybersecurity and citizenship.

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