World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Implementation Process

WSIS FORUM 2018
19-23 MARCH 2018, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND
Briefing for all WSIS Focal Points
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1. Welcome
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. WSIS Forum 2018 (Briefing and status of preparations)
4. ITU driven/ coordinated events at the WSIS Forum 2018 (Overview)
5. Regional Aspects
6. Work streams in ITU
   - Protocol
   - Security
   - Registration
   - Communications and Media
   - Composition
   - Reproduction
   - Logistics
   - IS Department
   - Interpretation
   - Procurement
   - Room Management
   - ICT Discovery
19-23 March 2018
Geneva, Switzerland

Leveraging ICTs to Build Information and Knowledge Societies for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals
WSIS Forum 2018: KPIs
Leveraging ICTs to Build Information and Knowledge Societies for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

- 2500+ Physical participants at Forum
- 150+ Countries represented
- 100+ Ministers and Deputies
- 20+ Ministers and Deputies other than ICT
- 500+ high-level representatives
- 150+ workshops and sessions
- 18 WSIS Prize winners
- 70 WSIS Champions
- 25+ stands at the Exhibition
- Balanced multistakeholder participation

#ICT4SDG
WSIS Forum 2018: Programmed Outcomes
Leveraging ICTs to Build Information and Knowledge Societies for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

- WSIS Forum 2018: Outcome Document
- WSIS Forum 2018: High Level Track Outcomes and Executive Brief
- WSIS Stocktaking Report 2018
- WSIS Forum 2018 and SDG Matrix
- WSIS Stocktaking Success Stories 2018

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Celebration: 15 Years since the Geneva Phase

• 15 years of Implementation of Geneva Plan of Action
• Celebration: High Level Track and Forum Track
• Registration is available online at https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2018/Pages/Register#intro

• Stakeholders are invited to block these dates on time as this is busy time in Geneva

• The e-confirmation will be the sole document provided for visa support

• Badging will be located at ITU Headquarters, Montbrillant building
Registration for all entities is facilitated if done by focal point (DFP) of the respective entities. Therefore, we strongly encourage accredited entities to designate a DFP who will be responsible for handling registration of participants via username and password.

- Your organization needs to have been duly accredited before a Focal Point may be designated.
- Blue/Diplomatic badge holders are also requested to register.
- Each accredited participant will receive an e-confirmation to the email address provided in the registration form.
- The e-confirmation will be the sole document provided for visa support.
Badging will be located at ITU Headquarters, Montbrillant building
(2, rue de Varembé – CH-1220 GENEVA)
• **NO** registration desk at CiCG premises; badges have to be collected at the ITU Montbrillant building
• Badges should be picked up personally as these are photo badges and picture is compulsory

**Badges may be picked-up on:**

**Friday, 16 March:**
1400-1700 hours

**Sunday, 18 March (for Hackathon participants only):**
0700-1200 hours

**Monday, 19 March to Friday, 23 March:**
0800-1200 and 1330-1700 hours
WSIS Forum 2018: Chairman Designate

H.E Eng. Majed Sultan Al Mesmar

Deputy-Director General,
TRA Telecommunication Sector,
United Arab Emirates
High-Level Track at the WSIS Forum 2018
20-21 March 2018

- Policy Statements will be delivered by high-ranking officials of the WSIS Stakeholder community representing Governments, Private Sector, Civil Society, Academia and International Organizations

- The high-level track will consist of the opening segment, interactive policy dialogues, ministerial round table, and a high-level networking program

- High-level Speaking requests for Ministers, CEOs and Heads of Organizations can be made online here: www.itu.int/go/wsispolicystatements
Open call for Nominations for WSIS Forum 2018
Multi-stakeholder High-Level Track Facilitators

High level policy statement sessions will be moderated by high-level track facilitators and will be grouped around different themes identified as important by the WSIS Stakeholders during the Open Consultation Process.
WSIS FORUM 2018: Venues in Focus

CICG and CCV
- TEDx
- High Level Track
- Ministerial Roundtable

ITU
- Forum Track (19, 22 and 23 March)
- Hackathon (18 and 19 March)

Four Seasons
- Gala Dinner

Polish Mission
- Briefing for Chairman and HLTFs
- Donors dinner
WSIS Forum 2018: Open Consultation Process

The Agenda and Program are built through an Open Consultation Process (OCP)

Launch of the OCP
19 September 2017

1st Physical Meeting
20 December 2017

2nd Physical Meeting
24 January 2018

Deadline for Submissions
30 January 2018

Final Brief
19 February 2018
**High Level Track: Themes**

**Themes for Policy Statements**
- WSIS Action Lines and the 2030 agenda
- Bridging digital divides
- Enabling environment
- Capacity building
- Financing for development and role of ICT
- Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs
- Inclusiveness - access to information and knowledge for all
- Gender mainstreaming
- ICT applications and services
- Digital economy and trade
- Climate change
- Media
- Ethical dimensions of Information Society
- Cultural diversity and identity, linguistic diversity and local content

**Number of Speakers: 120**
- **Total Length of HL Panels:** 8 hours
- **Services:** Interpretation and captioning
- **Length of intervention:** 3-4 minutes
- **Structure of Intervention**
  - General
  - Theme-related
  - Recommendations
- **Outcome of each session to be reported by HL Track Facilitator**

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Preliminary Results of the OCP

- Innovative and informative submissions received during online and physical phases
- Agenda and program are being designed in collaboration with the multi-stakeholder community and based on the submissions received
- Highest number of submissions received from civil society organizations (22%) followed by governments (22%), international organizations (20%), private sector (19%) and academia (17%)
- Good distribution across regions and stakeholders
- Increased engagement of the private sector
- Innovative and detailed suggestions
By Stakeholder Type

- International Organization: 22%
- Private Sector: 22%
- Government: 19%
- Civil Society: 20%
- Academia: 17%
The pie chart shows the distribution of regions by percentage:

- The Americas: 28%
- Western Europe: 25%
- Eastern Europe and Northern Asia: 14%
- Africa: 10%
- Asia and Australasia: 23%

The chart is titled "By Region."
FORMAT
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- Equitable Representation
- Accessibility and Inclusion
- Links with other policy processes
- Link with the SDGs process:
  - Link between the High-level Segment and the Forum Component
- Regional Focus
- Interactive sessions
- Innovative panel formats (interviews, fishbowl exercises, etc.)
- Participatory panels
- Dynamic and interactive
- Soliciting real-time questions via social media or other methods
- Maximize audience engagement
Main Themes and Title

- Bridging the digital skills gap
- The role of science and innovation in building the information and knowledge societies
- ICTs for disaster management
- ICTs for the agriculture
- Threat intelligence network across UN Family
- ICT for climate change and disaster adaptation
- ICT Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities
- Capacity development in digital policy
- Connecting the next billion
- Girls and women in STEM
- ICTs for e-government
- ICT Training for Youth
- WSIS Action lines for SDGs.
- ICTs for poverty reduction, food, water, education and employment
- Enabling Environment
- ICT and sustainable cities
- E-Environment, Climate Change and e-Waste
- Internet for Social Good and SDGs
- Internet of things
- ICT Success Stories
- Using data effectively to inform ICT policy
- Cybersecurity vulnerability of LDCs
- Programmes to Support Digital Transformation
- Open Access Commons and Open Science
Main Themes and Title

Smart Cities
• Encouraging non-traditional teaching materials through online platforms
• IoT and unmanned aerial vehicles in disaster risk reduction
• Enabling connectivity to grow from the bottom up.
• Legal, policy and regulatory frameworks for addressing cyber security challenges
• Examining legal principles behind effective net neutrality frameworks
• Promoting e-commerce while addressing various tax challenges of the digital economy
• Applying Wikipedia method to monitoring process of SDGs
• Reporting ICT and human rights in other UN mechanisms such as UPR
• Smart Sensors and Big Data Processing
• Medicine and Big Data
Suggestions on Strengthening the Outcomes

- Each Annual Forum should continue producing a **consolidated document containing the outcomes**, as well as the meetings’ agendas, workshops, ministerial roundtables, dialogue tables, etc. to provide a summary of the findings.

- **Result-focused approach** for each session and workshop should be applied: Each session should generate a concrete outcome for future reference.

- **WSIS Action Lines** should present a concise **annual progress report** consisting of emerging trends, statistics and supplemented by case studies if necessary, to be presented during the WSIS Action Line Facilitation Meetings and WSIS Action Line Facilitators Meeting, and forwarded to the UN follow ups of WSIS and SDG processes.

- **Annual progress review of WSIS process and its contribution to 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** should be prepared as an outcome of the WSIS Forum.

- **Annual report and sharing of examples of global best practices through the WSIS Stocktaking**

- Annual review by **Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development** might enrich monitoring of implementation of the WSIS outcomes

- Further collaboration and implementation of the **WSIS Action lines and SDGs Matrix**
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WSIS Prizes / Exhibition

Knowledge Café

Ministerial RT/HL Dialogue

Closing of HL Segment

Donors Dinner

Reception / Certificates

Gala Dinner

TEDx Talks
WSIS Forum Building Blocks

- Policy Statements
- WSIS Prizes
- Action Line Facilitators Meeting
- Ministerial Round Table
- Action Line Facilitation Meetings
- Interactive Sessions
- Country Workshops
- Thematic Workshops
- Knowledge Exchange
- Exhibition
- UNGIS
- UN Regional Commissions
- Innovations
- ICTs and Sustainable Development
- Partnerships

Virtual Reality for SDGs
TEDx Geneva
Hackathon
ICT Centric Innovation
ICT Solutions for SDGs
WSIS Forum 2018: Exhibition

- Sustainable Development Goals
- VR & education
- E-Business
- E-Agriculture
- ICTs and health
- Development through crowdfunding
- Information Accessibility
- Social network and entrepreneurship
- Internet of Things (IoT) for development
- Mobile remote presence devices (MRPs)
- Cybersecurity

35 Stalls in the ITU Tower (-2 Floor)
United Nations Group on the Information Society

- UN Chief Executives Group consisting of 32 UN Agencies
- UNGIS’ objective is to develop extensive collaboration and partnerships among the CEB members in order to contribute to the achievement of the WSIS objectives, to help maintain ICT-related issues as well as science and technology at the top of the UN Agenda and finally to mainstream ICT for Development issues in the mandate of CEB members

Currently following up on the Para 12

“... United Nations entities facilitating the World Summit on the Information Society action lines requested to review their reporting and work plans to support implementation of the 2030 Agenda.”

- UNGIS High level Meeting
- UNGIS Working Level Meeting
Annual Regional Commissions Meeting at WSIS Forum

- Annual meetings held at the WSIS Forum
- Sharing practices at the regional level aiming at advancing WSIS implementation at the Regional Level and alignment of the WSIS and SDG processes
- Coordination of regional approaches and harmonization
- Engagement of stakeholders into the regional implementation
- Strengthening of the regional perspective at the global level of the WSIS Process
Virtual Reality for SDGs

TEDxGeneva

Hackathon

ICTs solutions for SDGs
Information Communications Technologies (ICTs) are much more than just “cool tools and gadgets”. In this track there will be three workshop panels that highlights the unique efforts and innovations of individuals and organizations that use ICTs for the common good of humanity.
Ministerial Round Table

- **Objective:** This Ministerial Round Table will provide a platform for an interactive debate, in a high-level setup, on strategies and policies towards the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines, with the aim of strengthening the impact of ICTs on sustainable development and achieving SDGs.

- **Chairmanship:** ITU Secretary General and Chairman of WSIS Forum

- **Participation:** Restricted to the ministers only (no replacements / no observers)

- **When:** 21 March 2018, 14:00 – 16:30

- **Where:** CCV Geneva Room

- **Outcome:** Brief summary on issues raised.
Youth Engagement

Youth engagement is particularly important, given the fact that over 70% of people ages 15-24 use the internet, compared with just 48% of the population overall.
WSIS Forum 2018 Hackathon
Hack Against Hunger

WSIS Forum 2018 Hackathon on ICTs for SDGs, focusing on End Hunger,
• organized by ITU and FAO
• 80 participants

Regional Hackathons #HackAgainstHunger
• **Kigali:** 16th and 17th February
• **Caribbean:** 17th and 18th February
• **Geneva:** 18th and 19th March
WSIS Forum Photo Contest 2018 invites the community to picture how Information and Communication Technologies are playing an enabling role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and submit photos at www.wsis.org/forum

Deadline: 25 February 2018
WSIS Stocktaking Process 2018

• The Call for the WSIS Stocktaking Report 2018 ended on 9 February

• ICT4D community was invited to submit ICT-related projects and initiatives and share best practices of implementing WSIS Action Lines and advancing to SDGs

• Submitted activities will be reflected in the WSIS Stocktaking Report 2018 which will be released at WSIS Forum 2018

• WSIS Stocktaking database reached new records with 9,300 entries and a growing community of close to 300,000 stakeholders

We invite all to continue following WSIS Flash and WSIS social media channels, and contribute to WSIS Stocktaking process

www.wsis.org/stocktaking
NEW WSIS Stocktaking products: the Regional Stocktaking Reports (2016-2018)

- Besides the WSIS Stocktaking Report 2018, **WSIS Stocktaking Regional Reports 2016-2018** will also be prepared diligently and published during the WSIS Forum 2018.
- Regional Reports will be presenting the ICT projects and initiatives on the ground in the six ITU regions, showing how are ICTs advancing the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.
- Previous Regional Reports were issued for the period 2014-2016 with no reflection on the SDGs.
- Since WSIS Stocktaking has started aligning with the SDGs established in late 2015, we strive to provide a relevant ICT4SDG data (2016-2018) to report back to the WSIS and ICT4D communities at the regional level.

All WSIS-related publications, including the WSIS Stocktaking reports, are available to download at the [ITU Bookshop](https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Telecom-development/TD בדיוק/Technology-Standards/ITU-Telecom-Development-Publications/Pages/Home.aspx).
WSIS Prizes 2018

- Submission Phase ended on 10 January (extended) with 676 submitted entries
- Nomination Phase concluded its work on 26 January with 492 nominated projects
- Currently in the Online Voting Phase – with fixed deadline of 18 February for receiving votes: we are promoting and encouraging stakeholders to produce voting campaigns within their communities and networks
- Public announcement of winners will take place during the WSIS Prize 2018 Ceremony at the WSIS Forum 2018 High-Level Opening
Please find all necessary information, including WSIS Forum 2018 Partnership Packages at the WSIS Fund in Trust website https://www.itu.int/en/itu-wsis/Pages/WSIS-Fund-in-Trust.aspx

For additional information please visit the WSIS Forum 2018 website www.wsis.org/forum and contact wsis-info@itu.int
### WSIS Forum 2018 Partners (as of today)

#### Platinum Partner
- United Arab Emirates

#### Gold Partner
- Saudi Arabia

#### Partners for Specific Activities
- Rwanda (RURA)
- Switzerland
- Japan
- IEEE

#### Contributing Partners
- Oman
- Poland
- ICANN
- ISOC

#### Supporting Partner
- INWES/SWISS Engineering
- IFIP
WSIS Forums till 2020

- 2018: 19-23 March
- 2019: 8-12 April
- 2020: 30 March – 3 April
WSIS Social Media Analysis

5,382 Likes + 101 this week
5,372 Follows

4,191 Followers
734 Following
249 Likes

1,096 Followers
Pathable Platform
Launch date: 05/02/2018

The platform gives the possibility to

- View the profiles and interests of the other attendees
- Discover which of your Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook contacts are also attending
- Build a personalized schedule of talks to attend
- Download hand-outs and materials for sessions
- Schedule one-on-one meetings with other attendees
- Join the discussions about WSIS related topics and issues
Thank You

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