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WSIS Forum 2018

Launch of the Open Consultation Process
on Shaping the Themes and Format



19-23 March 2018
Geneva, Switzerland

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The Open Consultation process (OCP) aims at ensuring a participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum. This process actively engages multistakeholders in the preparatory process to ensure broad ownership and further improvements of the Forum. The Open Consultation Process will include a collection of **inputs from regional and national WSIS related events**. The physical meetings of the Open Consultation Process will benefit from **remote participation**.

The Open Consultation Process for the WSIS Forum 2018 is structured in five phases as follows:

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

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Presentation Available soon

Remote Participation

Webcast

Online dialogue Launch of online

Official submissions Stakeholders are invited to:

- Share your ideas
- Recommendations
- Request the WSIS Forum to consider
- Request expert advice

Submission Form

Open Call for Host Cities Call for Major Sponsors of the WSIS Forum

Learn more

Launch of the Virtual Platform Details available

Official Submissions / Workshop & Exhibition Stall Requests

6 months 16 hours to go

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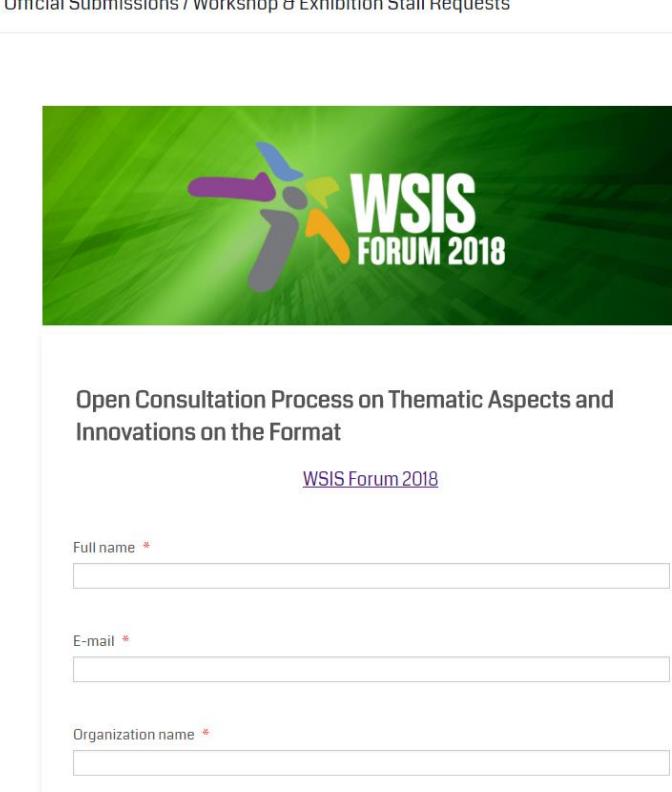
Open Consultation Process on Thematic Aspects and Innovations on the Format

WSIS Forum 2018

Full name *

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Organization name *



Official submissions to the WSIS Secretariat on the Thematic Aspects and Innovations on the Format to be made via

www.wsis.org/forum

by 30 January 2018

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Open call for nominations for WSIS Forum 2018 Multi-stakeholder High-Level Track Facilitators

- Open Call for Major Stakeholder Coordination Mechanisms following the WSIS Process to Identify and Nominate High-Level Track Facilitators (HLTF) for the WSIS Forum 2018;
- At the WSIS Forum 2018, the High-Level Policy Sessions of the High-level Track (HLT) will take place on the 20 and 21 March. The main task of the HLTF is to capture the vision, Identify emerging trends, opportunities and challenges shared by the leaders of their session.
- The Policy Sessions will be moderated by High-Level Track Facilitators (HLTFs) nominated and identified by each stakeholder type i.e Government, Private Sector, Civil Society, Technical/ Academic community and International Organization.
- Each stakeholder type is invited to launch an **Open Call** to identify HLTF to represent their respective communities.



Nominations should be submitted to the WSIS Secretariat
at wsis-info@itu.int by 30 January 2018



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YOUR PROJECTS AND
EXPERIENCES ON THE
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WSIS Stocktaking: 2017-2018 Call for Update and New Entries

Publicly accessible **WSIS Stocktaking database** www.wsis.org/stocktaking currently with **9.000 plus entries** and a growing community of 300.000 stakeholders;

UN General Assembly called for a close alignment between the WSIS process and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: **WSIS Stocktaking is highlighting the contribution of 11 WSIS Action Lines to the achievement 17 SDGs; ECOSOC resolution 2016/22 reiterates the importance of sharing best practices at the global level, and encourages all stakeholders to submit ICT-related projects and initiatives to the WSIS Stocktaking platform.**

New Call for Submissions has been released in September 2017, and the newly submitted activities will be reflected in the **WSIS Stocktaking Report 2018**, which will be released at the WSIS Forum 2018.

SUBMIT by 9 February 2018!

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WSIS Forum 2018 Photo Contest: Call for New Entries



Following the successful first edition in 2017, **WSIS Forum continues to exercise the Photo Contest in 2018** and invite the community to picture how Information and Communication Technologies are playing an enabling role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Participate in building a collage of ICT for Sustainable Development photographs from around the world by promoting the Photo Contest within your networks and communities.

The contest was launched on 11 September 2017 and will collect photos until **9 February 2018**.

The three winning entries in the WSIS photo contest will be awarded and presented at the WSIS Forum 2018.





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New Call for WSIS Prizes 2018 contest was launched in September 2017 – inviting WSIS Community to submit ICT-related projects and initiatives that also help advance SDGs.

All WSIS Stakeholders are encouraged to **SUBMIT** their project descriptions to the WSIS Prizes contest from **11 September 2017 until 2 January 2018** www.wsis.org/prizes

Champions will be announced on 9 February 2018 while the **Winners** will be announced during the **WSIS Prizes Ceremony** at the WSIS Forum 2018 (19-23 March 2018).

Five Phases of the Contest:

Phase I
Submission phase

11 September 2017 – 2 January 2018

Phase II
Nomination Phase

3 January – 12 January 2018

Phase III
Public Online Voting

12 January – 4 February 2018

Phase IV
Selection of Winning Projects
by the Expert Group
5 February – 9 February 2018

Phase V
Public announcement of
winners during
WSIS Prize 2018 Ceremony



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Virtual Reality for SDGs

Pursuing a first partnership in 2016, WSIS and World VR Forum join forces to be at the forefront of Virtual Reality for advancing development. A shiny new Virtual Reality Track will be held at the WSIS Forum 2018 bringing together high-level personalities, world class VR experience and a very special focus on education.



TEDxGeneva

After a successful debut at WSIS Forum 2016 AND 2017 TEDxGeneva and the WSIS Forum bring you to the crossroads of our fast-changing society—the crossroads of technology acceleration, human tradition, artificial intelligence, and an interconnected world.

TEDx Geneva
x = independently organized TED event

Hackathon

As a continuation of the discussions initiated at the 2016 WSIS Forum, first ever Hackathon was held successfully in 2017 on e-Health. Next year a Hackathon on ICTs for SDGs focusing on End Hunger will be held at the WSIS Forum 2018. We invite all interested coders to participate in the WSIS Hack Against Hunger.



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"The annual WSIS Forum has become a global multistakeholder platform for coordination of the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes, information exchange amongst the different WSIS Stakeholders, knowledge creation and the sharing of best practices. With the goal to evolve and adapt to the future needs of the Information and Knowledge Societies and WSIS process beyond 2015, I invite all Stakeholders to Partner with the WSIS Forum 2018 and look forward to working together towards an impactful Forum."



Mr Houlin Zhao, Secretary-General, ITU

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CONTRIBUTING

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CONTRIBUTING PARTNER



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WSIS Forum 2018 website www.wsis.org/forum

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7 June

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See you next week: Launch of #WSIS Forum 2018 Open Consultation Process. Mark your calendars 19 September, 17:00 @ITU HQ - Level up #ICT4SDG

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