



WSIS FORUM 2021

Starting from January
Final Week 17-21 May 2021

World Summit on the Information Society

WSIS Forum 2021

[wsis.org/forum](https://www.wsis.org/forum)

Open Consultation Process

2nd Virtual Meeting

February 1, 2021

14:00 – 15:00 CET



World Summit
on the Information Society
Turning targets into action
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WSIS Action Lines – Sustainable Development Goals

Impact of WSIS Action Lines on Sustainable Development Goals



The WSIS implementation mechanism at the international level is organised taking into account the themes and action lines in the Geneva Plan of Action, and moderated or facilitated by UN agencies when appropriate.



Open Consultation Process

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ICTs for Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Societies and Economies (WSIS Action Lines for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals)

The Open Consultation process (OCP) aims at ensuring a participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum. This process actively engages multistakeholder 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 Open Consultation Process for the WSIS Forum 2021 is structured in five phases as follows:





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WSIS Forum 2021 Open Consultation Process

WSIS Forum 2021 Open Consultation Process - Official Submissions

All WSIS Stakeholders are invited to submit inputs on the Thematic Aspects and Innovations on the Format of the WSIS Forum 2021. Use this form to: • Share your views the thematic aspects and innovations on the format of the forum • Recommend speakers • Request thematic workshops • Request exhibition stalls.

Deadline: 8 March 2021

Submission Form

* Denotes a required field.

1. Contact Title*
2. Contact First Name*
3. Contact Last Name*
4. Contact Email Address*

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

1. Create an account for the WSIS Forum 2021
2. Fill out the OCP Form

www.wsis.org/forum

Deadline: 8 March 2021



WSIS FORUM 2021 has started!

- The WSIS Forum 2021 has started, featuring weekly workshops and other activities with pre-events from January onwards, including thematic workshops and other highlights.
- The final week of the WSIS Forum 2021 will be held from 17 to 21 May 2021.



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WSIS FORUM 2021 has started: January Events

We have organized our first workshop on 26 January 2021



We launched a new series of interviews hosted as part of the #WSIS Forum 2021, where we will introduce innovative projects and activities collected through our Coronavirus Response – ICT Case Repository. Follow our social media to discover our weekly interview programs.

WSIS STOCKTAKING INTERVIEW SERIES

The Coronavirus Response - ICT Case Repository

LIVE Wednesday, 27 January 2021

Mr. Joel Myhre Pacific Disaster Center 10:00 AM CET	Mr. Hassan Bin Rizwan SABAQ 1:00 PM CET
Ms. Monique Epstein E-Seniors 11:00 AM CET	Ms. Regina Garduño Niño Digital Agency for Public Innovation 2:00 PM CET
Mr Magatte SYLLA BEINDAY 12:00 AM CET	Ms. Tatyana Kanzaveli Open Health Network 4:00 PM CET

Stay Home. Stay Safe and #WSIS!





WSIS FORUM 2021 Exhibition Spaces

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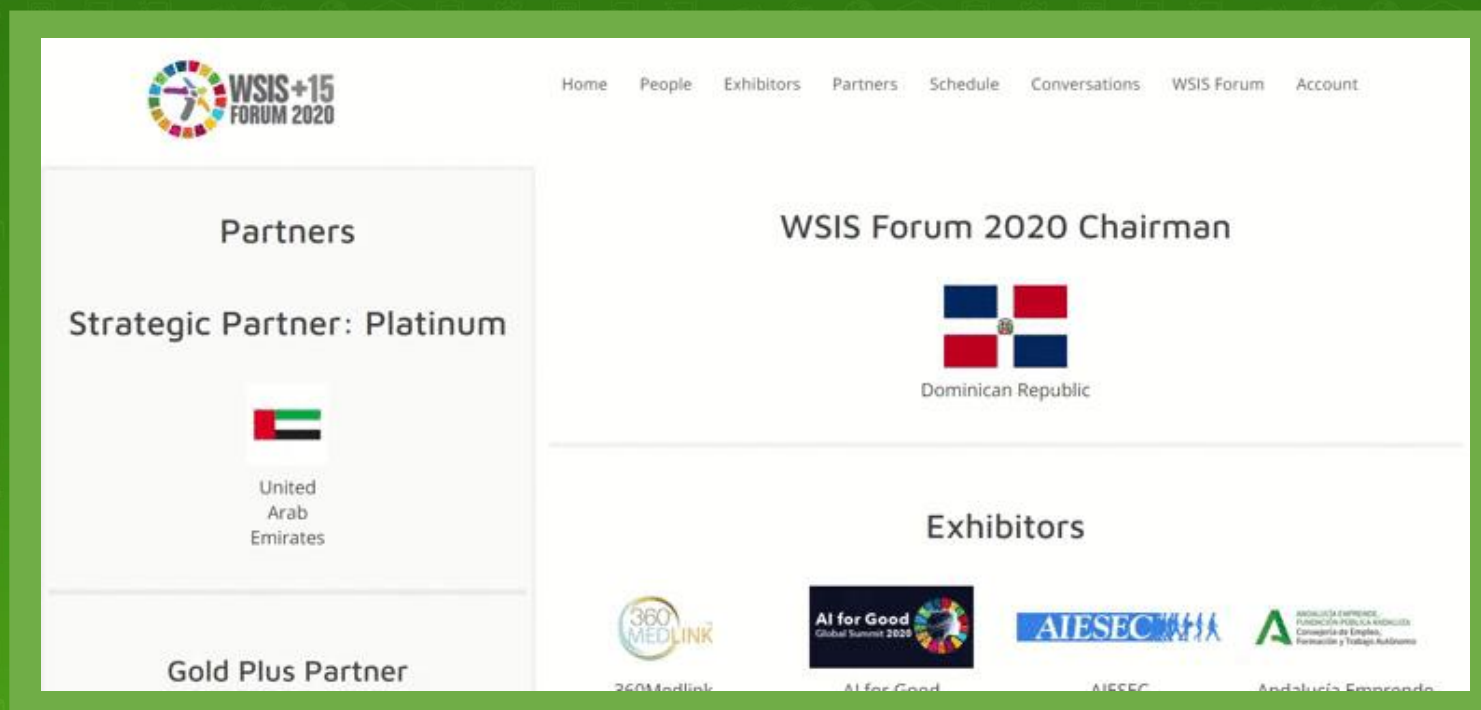
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- The **virtual exhibition** will allow a wide array of stakeholders to showcase their innovative projects and the technology behind it. It provides an opportunity to share their initiatives and solutions that harness the power of ICT-enabled development to advance the achievement of the SDGs
- An inauguration of the WSIS Forum 2021 virtual exhibition is scheduled to take place on **15 March 2021 at 13:00-14:00 CET**





Networking at the WSIS Forum 2021 Imeetyou@WSIS

Social and networking elements of the WSIS Forum 2021 can be enjoyed by participants through a dedicated online networking platform that provides opportunities to meet other attendees, start conversations, and engage with stakeholders all over the world.

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Posted 6 months ago

Sarah Wiedemar

DISCOVER THE WSIS ACTION LINE FACILITATION MEETINGS
Next meetings from 21 August until 10 September!

Posted 6 months ago in General

In meeting: From Digital Divides to Digital Dividends

Amali De Silva-Mitchell

Happiness Level

How effective have new technologies provided services to create day

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WSIS ACTION LINE FACILITATION MEETINGS

- Monday, 27 July 2020, 13:00-14:00 CEST
Action Line C7 Environment: Climate Change and early warning for climate action (WMO/ITU)
- Wednesday, 29 July 2020, 13:00-14:00 CEST
Action Line C4 and Action Line C7 E-employment (ITU/ILO)
- Thursday, 30 July 2020, 13:00-14:00 CEST
Action Line C6: Enabling Environment (ITU)
- Friday, 31 July 2020 13:00-14:00 CEST
Action Line C5: Cybersecurity (ITU)
- Friday, 21 August 2020, 14:00-15:00 CEST
Action Line C7: E-Agriculture (FAO/ITU)
- Monday, 24 August 2020, 14:00-15:00 CEST
Action Line C1, C7: E-Government and C1: Digital government

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Vera Amoakoa Akosah

One Day Left for the Submissions the COVID-19 Response-ICT Case Repository

How are you using #ICTs to help your community respond #COVID-19, ensuring the impactful use of the #WSIS A...

Posted 6 months ago in General

Sarah Wiedemar

JOIN the 11th and last High-Level Policy Session on Gender Mainstreaming and ICTs - with closing remarks from ITU Secretary-General Mr. Houlin Zhao

Sarah Wiedemar

6 months ago

TODAY Get inspired with the Youth Track Power Talks – discussing the youth's role in leveraging ICTs to help achieve the United Nations' SDGs

REGISTER HERE: https://itu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_x_cJTFFGRxSsoNzNjcxULQ

ICTs and Youth - Monday, 3 August 2020, 13:00-14:00 CEST

YOUTH TRACK POWER TALKS

- Mr. Ted Chen
- Ms. Reema Kumari
- Mr. Giacomo Traverso
- Ms. Karen Tatarian
- Mr. Yushi Torigoe
- Ms. Gitanjali Sah
- Mr. Vladimir Stankovic



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ICTs and Gender
Mainstreaming



ICTs and Emerging Technologies for
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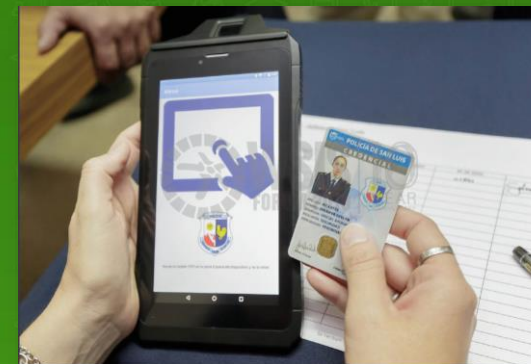
ICTs for Well-being and Happiness



ICTs and Accessibility for
Persons with Disabilities and
Specific Needs



ICTs and Older
Persons



Cybersecurity



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WSIS Team and Global Coalition on Aging (GCOA) in collaboration with other stakeholders are jointly organising an **online ideation Hackathon** on ICTs and Older Persons for the WSIS Forum 2021.

The Hackathon is calling on stakeholders to form teams to explore the use of ICTs in supporting healthier aging and the contribution of older persons in the economy, in particular, in the context of COVID-19 pandemic, highlighting aging in a digital world moving from vulnerable to valuable.



**Opening of
Registration
Hackathon**

19 February 2021

**Hackathon:
Updates and
Dialogue with
experts**

25 February 2021



**Winner
Announcement**

**Final week of the
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WSIS Stocktaking Interview Series: COVID19 Response

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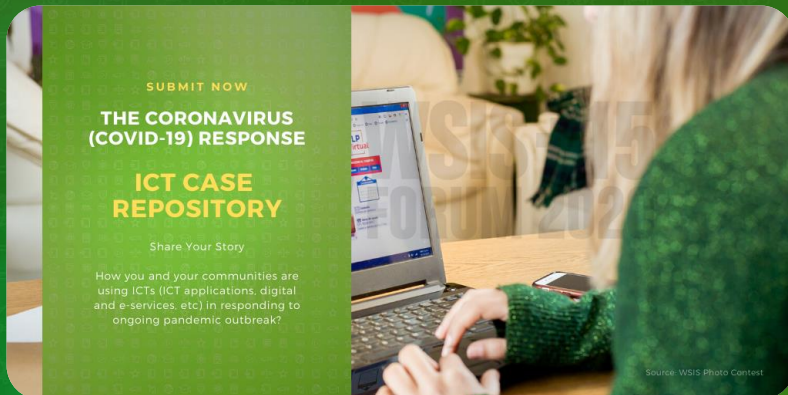
The call for submission to COVID-19 Repository, as a part of the WSIS Stocktaking ongoing efforts, aims to encourage various stakeholders to submit reports on how they used ICT tools and technologies to help their communities respond to the coronavirus pandemic whilst meeting the WSIS Action Lines and SDG goals during this global pandemic.

We launched a new series of interviews hosted as part of the #WSIS Forum 2021, where we will introduce innovative projects and activities collected through our Coronavirus Response – ICT Case Repository. Follow our social media to discover our weekly interview programs.



If you too have a story to share, we invite you to submit your ICT related projects to the WSIS Stocktaking platform, in our section dedicated specifically to the ICTs and Coronavirus Response.

<https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/stocktaking/>





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High-Level Policy Sessions

Participation

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

When

The High-Level Policy Sessions will take place on 22-26 March 2021

Where

Virtual Format with 3 time zones to cover multiple regions :

- 12:00 – 13:00 CET
- 13:00 – 14:00 CET
- 14:00 – 15:00 CET

Language

English

Ministerial Roundtable

Participation

RESTRICTED to the Ministers and Deputy Ministers
(no replacements / no observers)

When

The Ministerial Round Table meeting will be scheduled during the final week of the WSIS Forum 2021

Where

Online format





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WSIS FORUM 2021 Chairman Designate



H.E. MR. MAXIM PARSHIN

DEPUTY MINISTER

**MINISTRY OF DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT,
COMMUNICATIONS AND MASS MEDIA,
RUSSIAN FEDERATION**



Open Call : High-Level Track Facilitators

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- Open Call for Major Stakeholder Coordination Mechanisms following the WSIS Process to Identify and Nominate High-Level Track Facilitators (HLTF) for the WSIS Forum 2021.
- At the WSIS Forum 2021, the High-Level Policy Sessions of the High-level Track will take place on 22-26 March 2021. 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 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.

High-Level Track Facilitators



Ms. Supavadee Aramvith
Associate Professor,
Department of
Electrical
Engineering
Chulalongkorn
University



Mr. Mina Hanna
Vice Chair
Institute of
Electrical and
Electronic
Engineers



Ms. Merle Maigre
Executive Vice
President
CybExer
Technologies



Mr. Giacomo Mazzone
Head of
Institutional
Relations and
Member Relations
South
European
Broadcasting Union



Mr. Babusi Nyoni
Chief Executive
Officer
Sila Health



Dr. Abdulkarim Oloyede
Senior Lecturer,
Department of
Telecommunication
s Sciences
University of Ilorin



Dr. Gurvirender Tejay
Associate Professor
of Information
Systems
College of Business
University of
Colorado



Mr. David Wright
Director
UK Safer Internet
Center



Ms. Timea Suto
Knowledge
Manager
International
Chamber of
Commerce



Mr. Juan Peirano
Senior Policy
Advisor, Global
Policy Development
Internet Society



Ms. Denisse Salas
IT Consultant,
Master Scrum
Swiss Engineering
Geneva



Open Call : WSIS Photo Contest 2021

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WSIS Forum 2021 Photo Contest: Call for New Entries

Following the successful of previous Photo Contests editions, WSIS Forum continues to exercise the Photo Contest in 2021 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 three winning entries in the WSIS photo contest will be awarded and presented at the WSIS Forum 2021.

Deadline: 8 March 2021

Submit : <https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2021/PhotoContest/Form>



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WSIS Stocktaking 2021 Publications

During the final week of the WSIS Forum 2021, several publications will be launched, including:

- WSIS Stocktaking Report 2021
- WSIS Stocktaking Success Stories 2021
- WSIS Stocktaking ICT Case Repository





WSIS PRIZES

New Call for Submission - 2021

Submit your ICT Projects to the Most Globally Recognized ICT for Development International Annual Awards.

Deadline for Submissions: 1 February 2021

Entities: Government, Private Sector, Civil Society, Academia, Technical Communities, International Organizations, and Others

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I. STRATEGIC PARTNER : PLATINUM

Enhanced Visibility
offer for strategic
partner platinum
(exclusive)

II. STRATEGIC PARTNER : GOLD PLUS

Enhanced Visibility
offer for strategic
partner gold plus

III. STRATEGIC PARTNER : GOLD

Enhanced Visibility
offer for strategic
partner gold

IV. PARTNER: SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

Enhanced Visibility
offer for partner for
specific activities

V. PARTNER: CONTRIBUTING

Enhanced Visibility
offer for
contributing
partner



Reminder of Open Calls



WSIS Prizes 2021

Submit your outstanding project that leverage the power of ICTs

Deadline:
1 February 2021



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Request workshops/exhibition space/speakers and provide inputs on the format and themes

Deadline:
8 March 2021



WSIS Photo Contest 2021

Submit your photo that shows how ICTs are playing an enabling role in achieving the SDGs

Deadline:
8 March 2021



High-Level Track Facilitators (HLTF)

Nominate your representative for the HLTF

Deadline:
8 March 2021



Social Media channels

Follow **#WSIS** and stay up to date with our latest news across our different social media channels

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In our new series of interviews hosted as part of the #WSIS Forum 2021, we introduce innovative projects and activities collected through our Coronavirus Response – #ICT Case Repository. #COVID #COVID19

Meet Fabio Balli who will present the Breathing Games Association.

5 likes, 1 comment, 4 shares

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The Coronavirus Response – ICT Case Repository
Thursday, 28 January 2021
Mr. Fabio Balli presenting Breathing Games Association
10:00 AM CET
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Jan 25, 2021

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Only less than 15 hours left to apply for #WSIS Prizes 2021!
Submit your project to win a #WSIS award!
Deadline TODAY 25 January, CET 23:59.
Submit now: itu.int/go/JON9

1 DAY TO GO
WSIS PRIZES SUBMISSION DEADLINE

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377 posts, 1,343 followers, 436 following

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WSIS PRIZES
6-9 April 2020
Geneva, Switzerland
Deadline: 11 November 2019
ICTs and Sports
WSIS TALK

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WSIS FORUM 2020
6-9 April, Geneva

The WSIS Forum agenda and programme are completely crowdsourced through the Open Consultation Process (OCP). The process aims at ensuring a participatory and inclusive spirit of the Forum through the engagement of all stakeholders in the preparatory process. The Open Consultation Process is structured in six phases and will include a collection of inputs



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