>> ECONOMIC GROWTH
OPPORTUNITIES, NEW BUSINESS
MODELS AND FOSTERING A
SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR
DIGITAL ENTREPRENEURS AND START
UPS.

AND TO REALIZE THE BENEFITS, WE NEED FINANCING. WE'LL BE TOUCHING ON THE TOPIC OF FINANCING AS WELL.

A FEW RULES OF PROCEDURE THAT ARE HOPEFULLY FAMILIAR BY NOW, I'LL ASK EACH OF OUR PANELISTS TWO QUESTIONS.

EACH PANELIST WILL THEN HAVE FIVE MINUTES TO RESPOND TO BOTH QUESTIONS AND WE'RE VERY SHORT ON TIME.

WE'LL BE STRICT ON TIME KEEPING THIS MORNING.

WE ASK ALL PANELISTS TO SEND YOUR STATEMENTS DIRECTLY TO WSIS SECRETARY STRAIGHT AFTER THE SESSION.

TO SAVE TIME, I WON'T INTRODUCE THEM ALL TODAY BUT PLEASE DO TAKE A LOOK.

SO FIRST, I'M DELIGHTED TO INTRODUCE, MR. FREDRIKSSON.
HE IS HEAD OF DIGITAL ECONOMIST AND GIVE ADDITIONAL CONTEXT ON

THIS SESSION.
>> THANK YOU OR GOOD MORNING TO
EVERYONE OR GOOD EVENING OR GOOD

NIGHT IF YOU ARE COLLECTING ONLINE.

ONLINE.

THIS SESSION WILL BE FOCUSING ON DIGITAL ECONOMY OR DIGITAL TRADE.

ACCORDING TO THE HANDBOOK ON MEASURING DIGITAL TRADE.

TRADE THAT IS DIGITALLY ORDERED AND/OR DIGITALLY DELIVERED.

BOTH FORMS OF TRADE ARE CLOSELY LINKED TO WHAT WE CALL

E-BUSINESS.

THIS LEADS TOGETHER WITH ITC AND

THE WORLD BECOME MORE AWARE INCLUDING BY SHIFTING TO MORE ONLINE SHOPPING.

WE ALSO SAW THE POSSIBILITY TO DELIVER SERVICES HELP TO MAKE MORE RESILIENT.

WE HAVE ALSO BEEN REMINDED OF THE SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE THAT EXISTS BETWEEN COUNTRIES. THOSE COUNTRIES THAT WERE THE MOST DIGITALLY PREPARED WERE MUCH BETTER POSITION TO MAKE USE OF DIGITAL TOOLS.

THE PACE HAS ALSO INCREASED THE RISK OR WIDENING INEQUALITIES AND MISSING MANY OF THE TARGETS SET IN THE AGENDA 2030 SO WE MUST DO MORE AND BETTER. IT'S HELPING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO HARNESS E-COMMERCE AND DIGITAL TRADE FOR DEVELOPMENT.

IT NOW HAS 34 ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS SEEKING TO FIND SYNERGIES AND SMARTER WAYS OF COLLABORATING WITH STRAINS ON GOVERNMENT BUDGETS, WE NEED TO LOOK FOR THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAYS OF SCARCE RESOURCES.

WE ALSO NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO NEW DIMENSIONS OF THE DIGITAL ECONOMY.

AND ONE SUCH DIMENSION IS THE GROWING IMPORTANCE OF DIGITAL DATA.

MOVING FORWARD, WE'LL HAVE TO FIND WAYS TO TAP THE VAST AMOUNTS OF DATA FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD WHILE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES MUST HAVE MORE INFLUENCE IN HOW THEIR DATA ARE USED AND HOW TO BENEFIT FROM THE GLOBAL DATA VALUE CHAIN.

DATA GOVERNANCE REMAINS HIGHLY FRAGMENTED AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF GAINS REMAINS HIGHLY SKEWED. WITH THAT, I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING THEIR PERSPECTIVES WHICH I HOPE WILL HAVE FURTHER DIALOGUE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU FOR THOSE OPENING REMARKS.

WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO HIS EXCELLENCY.

I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS FOR YOU. THE FIRST IS HOW IS THE DIGITAL REVOLUTION CHANGING THE NATURE OF TRADE IN YOUR VIEW. AND THE SECOND IS WHAT ARE SOME EMERGING POLICY AND REGULATION MEASURES KEY FOCUS AREAS, IF YOU LIKE, FOR DIGITAL TRADE.

>> MY GREETINGS TO YOU ALL HERE, EXCELLENCIES AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE HERE WITH YOU TODAY.

AND PUTTING TOGETHER BOTH QUESTIONS, I WILL BRIEFLY REFLECT.

GIVES EMPHASIS TO DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION.

AND HIGHLIGHT THE NATIONAL ACTIVITIES THAT ARE PUT IN PLACE

WHICH ARE FOUNDATIONAL FOR ACHIEVING THE DIGITAL ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION.

SO WE ARE WORKING ON LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORKS.

FRAMEWORKS ARE JUST PROCLAMATION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE PARLIAMENT.

WE HAVE ALSO APPROVED FIVE YEAR DIGITAL STRATEGY.

AND WE HAVE BEEN DOING QUITE REMARKABLE.

WE HOPE THAT WITHIN THE NEXT THREE YEARS, WE'LL ACHIEVE WHAT WE HAVE PUT IN THE STRATEGY. START UP PERSONNEL DATA PROTECTION PROCLAMATION HAVE ALREADY BEEN DRAFTED AND HOPEFULLY APPROVED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW.

LIKE POWER AND CONNECTIVITY, WE HAVE BEEN DOING QUITE GOOD.

EXPECTED TO PRODUCE 6,000

MEGAWATTS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW
YEARS IS UNDER PROGRESS AND UPON
COMPLETION, IT WILL LIGHT UP AND
EMPOWER NOT JUST ETHIOPIA BUT
NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AS WELL.
WITH THIS HUGE PROJECT, THERE
WILL COME IMPROVED CONNECTIVITY
AS WELL WITH THE EXPANSION OF
POWER AND ENERGY.

AND INCURRED INTO THE MARKET AND HOPEFULLY A SECOND OPERATOR WILL COME SOON.

THIS IS ALSO ONE OF THE REMARKABLE ACTIVITIES.

WE HAVE BEEN DOING CAMPAIGN.
PREPARED DIGITAL LITERACY
STRATEGY TO INCORPORATE LITERACY
IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PROGRAMS.

THE MINISTRY OF INNOVATION AND WE ARE WORKING WITH CONTENT CONTRIBUTORS SUCH AS IBM TO TRAIN PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL. WHEN IT COMES TO INNOVATION OR START UP.

WE HELP TO BUILD INNOVATION ECO SYSTEM.

WE ARE BUILDING AND MAKING READY TALENT AND INNOVATION CENTER.
WE ARE BUILDING BIG LARGE SCHOOL WHICH WILL SERVE AS PLACE TO COME AND GET TRAINED TO IMPROVE THEIR TALENTS.

WE ARE DEVELOPING AND MAKING READY THE ICT PARK.

THERE IS A HUGE ICT PARK. AND CONNECTIVITY POWER.

SO THESE ARE SOME WE ARE UNDERGOING.

WE COOPERATE WITH PARTNERS OF MANY OF THEM ARE ALREADY ACTIVE. LAUNCHED THE 5G TECHNOLOGY.

AND WE ARE ONE OF THE FEW AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO HAVE THIS TECHNOLOGY.

FIVE COUNTRIES IN AFRICA WERE LAUNCHED AND JOIN THIS CLUB. WITHIN THE NEXT FEW YEARS, WE EXPECT THE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY ECO SYSTEM WILL IMPROVE. THESE ARE THE POINTS I WANT TO

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

HIGHLIGHT.

>> MANY THANKS FOR SHARING YOUR INSIGHTS.

WE'RE NOW GOING NEXT TO MINISTRY COMMUNICATIONS.

HE WILL BE JOINING US ONLINE AND SPEAKING IN FRENCH.

DO GET YOUR HEAD SETS READY IF YOU NEED THEM.

AND THE QUESTION I HAVE IS HOW IS BRIDGING DIGITAL DIVIDES IN RURAL COMMUNITIES?

>> IT IS A GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION AT WSIS. FIRST OF ALL, AS WELL AS OUR GOVERNMENT AND OUR PRIME

MINISTER.

EXCELLENCIES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PRESENT IN GLOBAL SUMMITS.

WHILE RESPECTING ETHIC AND PRINCIPLES IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY.

EXCELLENCIES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE OBJECTIVE OF THE GOVERNMENT, FIRST OF ALL, CONNECTING TO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

ON THE OTHER HAND, CONNECTIVITY INCLUDING REMOTE AREAS.

GOVERNMENT OF MALI IS ALSO
IMPLEMENTING MEASURES THAT AIM
AT OPENING MARKET COMPETITION IN
ORDER TO REDUCE CONTENT MORE
ACCESSIBLE.

THANKS TO ICTS, WE ARE THANKFUL COUNTRY HAS FIVE NATIONAL HOSPITAL AND UNIVERSITY THAT ARE INTER CONNECTED WITH

INTERNATIONAL ENTITIES.

WE USE TOOL IN ADMINISTRATION, ESPECIALLY IN PUBLIC

EXPENDITURE, LAND MANAGEMENT, HR AMONG OTHER ACTIVITIES.

WE ARE WORKING ON OTHER PROGRAMS INCLUDING THE CREATION.

GOING FORWARD, TWO MAIN

PRINCIPLES.
THE FIRST ONE IS CREATING

PARTNERSHIP.

THE SECOND PRINCIPLE IS ADOPTING A REGIONAL APPROACH WHICH IS THE ONLY SOLUTION TO MEET OUR NATIONAL NEEDS.

FAVOR OF REGIONAL INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.

WE NEED TO REINFORCE OUR CAPACITIES.

IT'S THE ONLY WAY.

BEFORE I CONCLUDE, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT -- SINCE THE YEAR 2000, WE'VE BEEN PRESENT AT THE TABLE AND WE WILL REMAIN WORKING IN A FREE AFRICA AND IN FAVOR OF A SOCIETY OF INFORMATION FOR PEACE AND SECURITY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDA TENSION.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF

CAPACITY BUILDING AND COOPERATION.

WE NOW MOVE TO HER EXCELLENCY
VICE MINISTRY OF THE ECONOMY AND
INNOVATION OF LITHUANIA.
I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS FOR YOU.
THE FIRST IS IS THE DIGITAL
ECONOMY ONLY ABOUT THE ICT
SECTOR IN YOUR VIEW?
WHAT ROLE COULD ICT PLAY IN THE
GLOBAL DIGITAL ECONOMY?
AND SECONDLY, WHAT MEASURES
SHOULD WE TAKE TO CEASE THE
BENEFITS FOR ICT FOR ECONOMIC
GROWTH FOR GLOBAL DIGITAL TRADE?
OVER TO YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
IN A TRUE MANNER, I'LL FIRST
ANSWER THE QUESTION THAT WASN'T
EVEN ASKED.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE DELEGATIONS AND ALL THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE DISCUSSED BROADER DIGITAL AND TELCO POLICIES WITH US.

CERTAINLY, THIS FORUM IS AN EYE OPENER WHICH NOT ONLY SHOWS US THE PROBLEMS THAT EXIST OUTSIDE THE BORDERS BUT HELPS UNDERSTAND US WE ARE ACTUALLY LIKE A STACK OF DOMINOES IN THE WORLD AND WHATEVER HAPPENS IN ONE PART OF THE WORLD EVENTUALLY AFFECTS THE OTHER.

AND THE PROBLEMS ARE VERY SIMILAR, JUST THE SCALE AND THE SCOPE OF THE PROBLEMS IS SOMETIMES DIFFERENT. NOW, BACK TO THE QUESTION. NO ICT IS NOT THE ONLY IMPORTANT PART OF DIGITAL ECONOMY. STARTING WITH THE DEFINITIONS, DIGITAL ECONOMIES USUALLY DEFINED AS A BROAD RANGE OF SECTORS AND COMPANIES THAT ARE USING DIGITAL TOOLS AS A KEY FACTOR OF THEIR PRODUCTION AND USING DIGITAL NETWORKS AS A SPACE FOR THEIR ACTIVITIES. THAT INCLUDES PLATFORM COMPANIES, START UPS, E-COMMERCE COMPANIES WHICH ARE TRADITIONALLY NOT CONSIDERED TO BE ICT COMPANIES.

HOWEVER, THEY ARE A VERY
IMPORTANT AND IMPORTANCE IS
GROWING IN THE DIGITAL ECONOMY.
IF WE LIMIT THE UNDERSTANDING TO
THE ICT SECTOR ONLY, WE'RE NOT
SEEING THE WHOLE PICTURE AND NOT
EVALUATING THE SCOPE AND THE
SIZE AND THE NEEDS FOR THE
DIGITAL ECONOMY AS COUNTRIES AND
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS A
WHOLE

SO BACK TO NATIONAL EXAMPLES WHICH ARE MOST INTERESTING. IN LITHUANIA, THE CONCEPT OF DIGITAL ECONOMIES IS PERCEIVED IN TWO ASPECTS.

FROM STATISTICAL POINT OF VIEW CONSIDERING THE SECTORS MOST DIGITALIZED.

MEDIA IN 2018 HAS CREATED ALMOST 7% OF RGDP.

AND SECOND, THE WAY TO MEASURE DIGITALIZATION OF DIFFERENT SECTORS TO UNDERSTAND THE EXTENT OF DIGITAL RESOURCES.

SO IT IS DIGITAL ECONOMY IS HUGE AND ONE OF THE MAIN PARTS WHERE ONLY THE MANUFACTURING TRADE TRANSPORT STORAGE AND PROBABLY CONSTRUCTION SECTORS OUT PERFORM DIGITAL ECONOMY.

WITH THE ISSUES AND CHALLENGING WE FACE WE'LL SEE HOW THE PICTURE AND THE PERCENTAGES CHANGE.

SO AS IT IS IN MANY COUNTRIES, IT'S ON TOP OF THE AGENDA IN LITHUANIA TOO, I'D LIKE TO FOCUS ON TWO EXAMPLES THAT MIGHT BE INTERESTING FROM DELEGATES TO OTHER COUNTRIES. FIRST OF ALL, THE EXAMPLE IN 2021, LITHUANIA WAS RANKED AS TOP 10 COUNTRY ACCORDING TO FINTEC.

FRIENDLINESS, WE HAVE A VERY GOOD REGULATORY SYSTEM, BUT HOW IT WAS CREATED AND HOW IT SUCCEEDED WAS AN OPENNESS FOR REGULATORY TERMS.

WE HAVE CREATED A SANDBOX WHERE DIFFERENT INSTITUTIONS, DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS WERE LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS. AND THAT WORK.

THAT ANSWERS THE SECOND PART OF THE QUESTION ON WHAT CAN WE DO AS COUNTRY TREES.

IN THE WORDS OF 18TH CENTURY FRENCH -- WE DO UNDERSTAND THE GLOBAL ECONOMY AND MEASURES THAT RESTRICT US.

HELPERS WHO GO ALONG THE WAY WITH OUR REPRESENTATIVES AND HELP THEM IN ANYWAY POSSIBLE. THE OTHER EXAMPLE ANOTHER INITIATIVE THAT ALSO EXISTS I KNOW IN OTHER COUNTRIES LIKE POLAND, AS THE NAME SUGGESTS -- START UPS TO LOOK FOR SOLUTIONS ON HOW TO SOLVE CERTAIN POLICY ISSUES.

IT WAS A VERY HUGE CHALLENGE WHERE IT HELPED US MUCH. SINCE I HAVE 30 SECONDS, I COULD NOT LEAVE MY MICROPHONE WITHOUT PITCHING LITHUANIA'S CANDIDATE THOMAS RUNNING FOR SECRETARY GENERAL OF ITU.

THAT GUY, CURLY HAIR AND GLASSES IS THE ONE RUNNING.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CONTACT US AND DISCUSS THE FUTURE AND HIS PROGRAM.

IF NOT, WE'RE GOING TO FIND YOU OURSELVES.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR SHARING WITH US SOME OF THE INITIATIVES.

AND NOW NEXT TO NEPAL AND THE SECRETARY AT THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATION AND IT.

TWO QUESTIONS FOR YOU, SIR.

HOW MIGHT THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

MIGHT BE STRENGTHENED IN

COUNTRIES WHERE THE

INFRASTRUCTURE IS UNDER

DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPED

INFRASTRUCTURE IS NOT STABLE.

AND SECONDLY, HOW MIGHT

COUNTRIES COLLABORATE WITH EACH

OTHER IN PROMOTING CROSS BORDER TRANSACTIONS?

OVER TO YOU.

>> FIRST OFF, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE ORGANIZERS FOR ALLOWING ME TO COME HERE AND EXPRESS SOME OF MY POINTS BASED ON THE QUESTIONS MADAM MODERATOR JUST POSED. I'LL JUST TRY TO ANSWER BOTH THE QUESTIONS ON THE SAME LINE.

ALMOST EVERY COUNTRY ARE

DEVELOPING.

ADOPTED AS THE MEANS OF ALL KIND OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES.

I'M IN THE DIGITAL TRADE AND

DIGITAL ECONOMY IS ALMOST EVERY COUNTRY NOW.

HOWEVER, THE DEVELOPMENT IS TO ENSURE IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

BECOME EVEN MORE IMPORTANT IN THE COUNTRY.

CHALLENGING ALMOST EVERY DIGITAL ECONOMY.

THE COUNTRIES FACE MORE CHALLENGES TO EXPAND THE ROAD AND OTHER NETWORKS AND TO MAINTAIN THEM.

NEPAL, AS YOU MAY KNOW, IT'S CASUALTIES EVERY YEAR AND WIPED OUT BY THE LANDSLIDES DISCONNECTING THE ROAD ACCESS AND INTERRUPTING THE AIR CONNECTIVITY TOO.

THIS RESULTS INTO COSTLY SERVICES AND DEPRECIATED ACTIVITY.

SECONDLY, THE QUALITY OF SERVICES NEED TO INSERT. DIGITAL ECONOMY IS IF WE UNDERSTAND INNOVATIVE, IT DOESN'T COVER THE WHOLE LESSON. THAT'S WHY THE CAPACITY OF THE USERS, SERVICE PROVIDERS SHOULD BE ENHANCED.

HAS TO BE WIDESPREAD TO ENHANCE FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND AVOID THE RISKS WITH IT.

STRUCTURES AND DIGITAL INITIATIVES.

TWO, AROUND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY AND DIGITAL TRANSACTION.

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC MAY HAVE PROVIDED SOME BLESSINGS IN DISGUISE.

MOST OF THE ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE COUNTRIES ARE BEING CARRIED OUT WITH THE HELP OF ICT.

STILL NOT SMOOTH AS EXPECTED. SERIOUSLY CAUSING DIFFICULTIES IN ONLINE PAYMENTS.

AND MANY OF US HAVE TO DEPEND ON OTHER SYSTEM.

MANY COUNTRIES HAVE CERTAIN AREAS INCLUDING AMOUNT TO BE TRANSACTED ONLINE.

DOES NOT ONLY LIMIT A SMOOTH TRADE BUT ENCOURAGE THE ILLEGAL TRADE.

IN THIS BACKDROP, SO THAT OUR SYSTEM GOODS AND SERVICES BECOME INCREASED REMARKABLY.

ALL COUNTRIES ADOPTED ICT AS BASIC NEEDS FOR ALL KINDS OF ACTIVITIES.

THE DEVELOPMENT IT ALWAYS IN A CHALLENGE.

THEREFORE, STRONG COMMITMENT IS NEEDED FOR INCREASING FINANCE IN THE ICT SECTORS.

ONE DEVELOPING WITH SUSTAINED GLOBAL CONNECTIVITY.

TWO, ENHANCING THE CAPACITY OF PERSONNEL SERVICE PROVIDERS AND USERS

THREE, INSERTING THE QUALITY OF SERVICES.

WITH THIS, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE ORGANIZERS FOR THIS IMPORTANT DISCUSSIONS.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND ESPECIALLY FOR STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF COLLABORATION THERE AS WELL.

NEXT WE MOVE TO THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM GERMANY DIRECTOR FOR MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AWARES AND CLIMATE ACTION.

FIRST QUESTION FOR YOU IS WHAT COULD THE ITU DO IN PARTICULAR TO FOSTER DIGITAL TRADE ON A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD AND RESPECT THE NEEDS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

AND SECONDLY, WHAT DOES GERMANY DO TO FOSTER A UTILIZATION SYSTEM?

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, DELEGATES AND GUESTS.
THE VALUE OF DIGITALIZED ITC SERVICES REACHED \$680 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS ACCORDING TO THE 2021 DIGITAL ECONOMY REPORT.

SINCE THE USE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY EXSPANS WORLDWIDE THERE STILL A SIGNIFICANT GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED ECONOMIES AND DEVELOPING REGIONS WHICH CLEARLY HAS TO DO WITH COVERAGE PROBLEMS.

THE USE OF ICT IS HIGHER BUT THE PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATING IN SOCIAL NETWORKS IS VERY COMPARABLE.
IN ALMOST THE SAME INTENSITY OF A CAMP.

WE CAN SEE THE POTENTIAL OF DIGITAL TRADE OF SERVICES AND GOODS OF STREAMING IN CLOUD SERVICES AND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES EVEN FOR SMALL START UPS AND RURAL AREAS AROUND THE WORLD ARE ENORMOUS. DUE TO THE HIGH RATE OF INTERNET

DUE TO THE HIGH RATE OF INTERNET RELATED COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES WORLDWIDE.

ALL TOO OFTEN THERE'S UNCERTAINTY WHICH RULES TO APPLY, WHICH REGULATION IS RELEVANT.

WHICH KIND OF STANDARDS.

NO ONE KNOWS HOW IT IS DEFINED.

AND E-COMMERCE, DIGITAL

TRANSFORMATION AND INTERNATIONAL

TRANSFORMATION AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

IT'S THE BEST WAY TO MAKE THE MOST IDEAS.

IN PARTICULAR, THE ITU PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE BY CONTINUING TO SUPPORTING DEVELOPING AND EMERGING ECONOMIES ALL OVER THE WORLD.

OPEN THEM FOR NEW OPPORTUNITIES
AND TO PROVIDE HELP FOR SMES.
AND BY WORKING ON STABLE
FRAMEWORK THAT'S FREE FROM
IDEOLOGIES WHICH IS IN
ACCORDANCE WITH UNITED NATIONS
AND CREATED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
CONTINUE TO BE PERMITTED TO
STANDARDIZATION BOTH BY STATE
AGENCIES AND PRIVATE BUSINESS.
WE ARE A FOUNDING MEMBER OF ITU
AND GERMAN INSTITUTIONS ARE
AMONG THE OLDEST AND MOST
EXPERIENCED WORLDWIDE.
WE BELIEVE IN CONSENSUS-BASED

STANDARDS AND WE DOCUMENT THIS BY HIGH CONTRIBUTIONS.

AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THE PERSONAL COMMITMENT WHICH IS A LOT OF HIGH-LEVEL POSITIONS AND SINCE MY DEER COLLEAGUES HAVE DONE A COMMERCIAL, I SHOULD POINT OUT NAMING ME AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE STANDARDIZATION BUREAU.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> THANK YOU.

AND VERY IMPORTANT POINTS THERE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF

AND VERY IMPORTANT POINTS THERE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF STANDARDIZATION AND COMMON TERMINOLOGY AROUND DIGITAL TRADE.

SO NOW WE MOVE TO OUR LAST SPEAKER WHO IS THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF DIGITALIZATION, TECHNOLOGY IN AGRO BUSINESS. AND TWO QUESTIONS FOR YOU, SIR. HOW DOES THE DIGITAL ECONOMY AND TRANSFORMATION CHANGE TRADE. WHAT IMPACT DO YOU SEE AND WHAT IS STILL TO COME? AND SECONDLY, WHAT IMPLICATIONS DOES THE DIGITAL ECONOMY HAVE FOR INDUSTRIAL POLICIES AND THOSE LOOKING AT FINANCING EFFORTS TO BRIDGE THE DIGITAL DIVIDE.

OVER TO YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. AND THANK YOU FOR INVITING UNIDO.

IT'S GREAT OUR COLLEAGUE DIDN'T INFORM US OF THE NARROW DEFINITION OF DIGITAL TRADE. I WOULD HAVE HAD MORE DIGITAL JOB.

BUT, YES.

WHO SPEAKS DIGITAL TRADE HAS TO SPEAK DIGITAL PRODUCTION. PRODUCTION CAPACITY IS THE OTHER KIND OF TRADE.

AND IN THAT REGARD, AT THE MIDDLE OF PRODUCTION IN THE RECENT YEARS WE HAD THE GLOBAL VALUE CHAINS.

AND THE GLOBAL VALUE CHAINS HAVE BEEN THE WAY PRODUCTION AND TRADE-IN AT THE GREAT AND WE

HAVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF ACCELERATED TECHNOLOGICAL UPGRADING OF QUALITY CAPACITIES, ET CETERA.

WHAT WE HAVE WITNESSED IS ALSO THE SUPPLY CHAINS HAVE DISRUPTED.

IT'S NOT ONLY RELATED TO THE LOCK DOWN.

TODAY IT'S RELATED TO THE OVERALL WORLD-CLASSES THAT IS BRINGING THE SITUATION IN THE WORLD WITH FOOT SECURITY ENERGY DECARBONIZATION.

WHEN WE ARE REARRANGING THE VALUE CHAIN, MANY THINGS ARE HAPPENING.

AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT
THE REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE
BECOMING MORE STRINGENT ON
CLIMATE, MORE STRINGENT IN
SOCIAL INCLUSION ARE NOT AT THE
EXPENSES OF THE DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES.

AND THIS IS WHERE DIGITAL CAN PLAY A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE AND DIGITALIZATION HAS BEEN PLAYING. THINK ABOUT ONE EXAMPLE.
TRACEABILITY, BLOCK CHAIN.
BRINGING A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF TRANSPARENCY OF DATA
TRANSPARENCY INTO THIS PROCESS.
AND HOW DO YOU TREAT THIS DATA?
AND WHAT IS REASONABLE AMOUNT OF DATA AS COMMUNITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD SHARE?

IF NOT, IT WILL BECOME A NEW BARRIER TO TRADE FOR MANY LDCs. BUT FOR MANY SMALL COMPANIES. THE DIGITAL ECONOMY CAN BRING A DIFFERENCE AND MAKE THE DIFFERENCE.

WE NEED TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS ELEMENTS. I WILL MENTION ONE THAT'S IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT THE DIGITAL DIVIDE.

WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE TRULY CORRESPONDING PRODUCTIVE TRANSFORMATION THAT IS EQUIVALENT TO THIS DIGITAL TRADE BASED ON E-COMMERCE.
MY TIME IS LIMITED.

IN THE PREVIOUS SESSION, THERE WAS A LOT SAID ABOUT INDUSTRIAL POLICIES AND EMPHASIS ON BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT.
IT IS ABOUT TO CREATE THE CLEAR RULES.

ABOUT TO FACILITATE AND ABOUT TO MAKE VERY CLEAR HOW WE CAN SUPPORT THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND INDUSTRIAL POLICY TODAY NEEDS TO PUT THE PRIVATE SECTOR AT CENTER STAGE

IN THE DIGITAL ECONOMY, THE PRIVATE SECTOR HAS BECOME TOO DOMINANT.

THE INTER PLAY BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR HAS TO REMAIN BALANCED.

WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER -- THE PRIVATE SECTOR CAN PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN FINANCING. ALSO WE HEARD VERY GOOD EXAMPLES

ALSO WE HEARD VERY GOOD EXAMPLES THIS MORNING ABOUT THAT.

SO I WILL GO BACK TO THE MAIN ELEMENT WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE PUT ATTENTION WHICH IS SKILLS.
SKILLS FOR WOMEN, SKILLS FOR

SMALL COMPANIES.

SKILLS IN TRAINING CENTERS.
WE NEED TO FOCUS ON THOSE WHO
ARE MOST SOCIALLY EXCLUDED OR
COULD BE EXCLUDED IN THIS
REVOLUTION THAT IS GOING ON.
WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
AGAIN.

WE CATCHED UP WITH THE TIME AND WE'LL CLOSE THE SESSION IN TIME. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK YOU TO ALL OUR PANELISTS.

I THINK WE HAVE CAUGHT UP WITH TIME FOR WHICH WE COLLECTIVELY DESERVE AN AWARD WHICH IS BRILLIANT.

AND SO WITH THAT, I'M SORRY TO SAY THAT THIS SESSION IS COMING TO A CLOSE.

OUR FINAL SUMMARY OF THE SESSION WILL BE PROVIDED DURING THE CLOSING OF THE HIGH-LEVEL POLICY SESSIONS.

THAT WILL TAKE PLACE LATER TODAY IN HERE AT 5 P.M. SO DO JOIN US

THEN.
AND THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR PANELISTS.
SPECIAL THANKS TO THE WSIS ORGANIZING TEAMWORKING SO HARD BEHIND THE SCENES AND THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO JOINED US BOTH HERE IN PERSON AND ONLINE. THANK YOU.

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