

Session Outcome Document

Summary of Session: HACK THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

World Summit Awards-WSA

13 March 2023, 16:00-16:45

<https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2023/Agenda/Session/331>

Key Issues discussed (5- 8 bullet points)

- What Digital Divides do people experience in their respective regions
- Digital Divides appear in terms of access, content, gender, participation
- WSA is a global UN WSIS based initiative, recognizing and promoting digital solutions narrowing digital divides and contributing to the achievement of the UN SDGs
- Diverse and multi-lingual digital content applications contribute to the transformation to a knowledge society

Towards WSIS+20 and WSIS beyond 2025, please share your views on the emerging trends, challenges, achievements, and opportunities in the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines to date (5-8 bullets)

- Digital tech monopoly and their effects on democracies
- AI and knowledge society

Tangible outcomes (such as key achievements, announcements, launches, agreements, and commitments (3-5 bullet points)

- WSA WSIS policy statement: https://wsa-global.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/HL-Policy-Statement-Peter-A.-Bruck_WSIS-Forum-2023.pdf

Actionable plan (2-5 points)

Suggestions for thematic aspects that might be included in the WSIS Forum 2024 (WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event) (one paragraph)